

## **Excursion No 3: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (Evening)**

### **Three more North Somerset Churches Tour**

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#### **Summary**

We will visit three very different churches on the edge of the Mendip Hills – all Grade II\* listed and within a 5 mile drive!

As parking may be difficult in some places car-sharing is encouraged.

#### **Church of St John The Baptist, Chilcompton**

Although this active Anglican church was built in the 15<sup>th</sup> century and had a Victorian restoration, the earliest church on the site was recorded in 1188. It is a Grade II\* listed building.

#### **Church of the Holy Ghost, Midsomer Norton**

A Roman Catholic parish church housed in a converted 15<sup>th</sup> century tithe barn. It is served by monks of the Order of St. Benedict from Downside Abbey and is a Grade II\* listed building.

#### **Church of St. Andrew, Holcombe**

Old St Andrew Church has late Saxon-Early Norman origins, known locally as 'the Plague Church' because the surrounding village was badly hit by the Black Death in 1348, the village was buried but the church was rebuilt in the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

It is recorded in the National Heritage List for England as a designated Grade II\* listed building, and is now a redundant church in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust.

The church was used in filming - Poldark!

#### **Meeting time and place.**

Meet at the Chilcompton Church car park, Church Lane, Chilcompton, at **6.30pm**

#### **Note**

Comfortable, suitable clothes and footwear should be worn, appropriate for a town walk and the prevailing weather conditions.

***Please remember that you are responsible for your own safety and by joining this BACAS excursion you do so at your own risk.***

Maximum participants: **25**

Latest booking date: **31<sup>st</sup> May**

Members priority booking before **24<sup>th</sup> April** Cost: Members **£6** / non-members **£8**