



Kelly's Directory Extract 1907

Codford St Mary & St Peter



CODFORD St Mary – is a parish on the banks of the Wylde, here crossed by a stone bridge of four arches and on the road from Salisbury to Warminster, adjoining Codford St Peter, where there is a station on the Salisbury and Westbury branch of the Great Western Railway, 7 miles south-east from Warminster, 14 north-west from Salisbury and 3 south-east from Heytesbury, in the Western division of the country, hundred of Heytesbury, Warminster petty sessional division, Union and county court district, rural deanery of Wylde (Wylde portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The Church of St Mary is a building of stone, consisting of chancel with aisle, nave, south aisle, south porch and ancient western tower, containing 3 bells: the chancel is Transitional and the tower of the 16th century: the chancel arch is late Norman, elaborately carved: in the chancel aisle is a monument to the Mompesson family; the communion table was made from the old pulpit of the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford; the handsome altar cloth was worked by Mrs Ashley Dodd, late of Stockton House; the church was restored in 1879 at a cost of £1,200 and has 200 sittings. The register dates from the year 1653. The living is a rectory, net income £233, including residence and 44 acres of glebe, in the gift of St. John's College, Oxford, and held since 1892 by the Rev. Edward Albert Henry Aston M.A., of that college. Here is a Congregational chapel, founded in 1778, with Sunday school; the chapel has 200 sittings.

On the summit of Codford Hill, in this parish, is Oldbury Camp, an earthwork forming a complete circle, and surrounded by a vallum and fosse constructed with great regularity.

The Rt. Rev. H. W. Yeatman-Biggs D.D., Bishop of Worcester, who is lord of the manor and the trustees of the late Henry King Wightwick esq., are the principal landowners.

The soil is light chalk; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley.

The area is 2,122 acres of land and 7 of water; rateable value £1,736; the population in 1901 was 277.

Sextoness- Mrs Dyer

POST, M.O. & T.O., S.B. & A. & I.(sub-office) – Joseph Ford, subpostmaster.

Letters through Bath delivered at 6.30 a.m. & 3.30 p.m.; dispatched at 1 & 7.25 p.m; on Sundays at 6.25 p.m.

Elementary School (mixed) – built in 1875 & enlarged in 1889, with a striking clock, added in 1891, for 124 children; average attendance 50; Miss Lilian Weston, Mistress

CARRIERS – Mizen & Poolman's van to Warminster, Wednesday & Saturday; to Salisbury, on Tuesday.

Codford St Mary

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arthurs	Eli Atkin	Rev.	Cong.	The Manse, Codford St Mary
Aston	Edward Albert Henry	Rev. M.A.		Rectory, Codford St Mary
Chisman	Thomas			Codford St Mary
Dear	William	Mrs		Codford St Mary
Ward	Alban	M.B.		Codford St Mary

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bennett	William		Thatcher	Codford St Mary
Davis	John Savage		Agent to the Great Western Railway	Codford St Mary
Dawes	Henry		Boot Maker	Codford St Mary
Doughty	& Son		Builders & Cycle agents	Codford St Mary
Ford	Joseph		Tobacconist, Post Office	Codford St Mary
Gulliford	Alfred Charles		Dairyman	Codford St Mary
Hebden	Mary	Mrs	Laundress	Codford St Mary
Hibberd		Brothers	Drapers	Codford St Mary
Ingram	Sydney		Saddler	Codford St Mary
Mizen & Poolman			Bakers & Grocers	Codford St Mary
Parrott	Edwin James		Farmer	Codford St Mary
Pickford	George		Farmer, Manor Farm	Codford St Mary
(Chisman)	(Thos.)	(Sec)	Reading Room	Codford St Mary
Savage	William Lawes		Grocer ,Baker, General Hardware & Fancy Stores & Bee Farmer	Codford St Mary
Simper	George		Blacksmith	Codford St Mary
Sparey	Alfred		Bootmaker	Codford St Mary
Sparey	Henry		Boot repairer	Codford St Mary
Ward	Alban		M.B. Surgeon & Physician & Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator for Codford St Peter district & Registrar for Births & Deaths for Heystebury sub-district, Warminster union	Codford St Mary
Wheeler	Edwin		Grocer	Codford St Mary

CODFORD ST PETER is a parish on the road from Warminster to Salisbury, with a station on the Salisbury and Westbury branch of the Great Western Railway, 6 ½ miles south-east from Warminster, 14 miles north-west from Salisbury and 92 from London by road and 112 by rail, in the Western division of the country, Heytesbury hundred, Warminster petty sessional division, union and county court district, rural deanery of Wylve (Wylve portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St Peter, originally consisting of a chancel, nave, south porch and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing a clock and 5 bells, was restored in 1864, a north aisle added, and the old chancel arch was replaced by a Pointed arch of fine proportions, on carved corbels supported by Devonshire marble shafts; the chancel has been rebuilt in the Early English style, three ancient sedilia, which belonged to the old chancel, being replaced; the communion table, which is of oak, was given by Bishop Hamilton of Salisbury: the pulpit, presented by Mr Robert Chapman, late of this parish, is a memorial to Miss Ravenhill: a lectern of oak & gilt iron work was presented in 1897 in memory of the late Alfred Blake; there is a fine Early Norman font, richly sculptured: and in the chancel is preserved some carved stone work discovered in 1864, and presumed to be of Saxon date: there are several memorial stained windows and brasses: the church was decorated in 1891 and in 1898 the foundations of the tower and east end were renewed: in 1906 massive balustrade oak altar rails were fixed at a cost of £55, as a memorial to the late Miss Charlotte Anderson: in 1907 the baptistery was panelled and seated in oak at a cost of £45: the church will seat about 225 persons; the churchyard was enlarged in 1889. The register dates from the year 1681. The living is a rectory, net income £275, with residence, in the gift of Pembroke College, Oxford, and held since 1884 by Rev. Douglas Maclean, M.A sometime fellow of that college.

The Rt. Rev. H. W. Yeatman-Biggs D.D., Bishop of Worcester, is lord of the manor and William Chisman esq. and Thomas King Harding esq. of Ashton Gifford House, are the principal landowners.

The soil is light chalk loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley.

The area is 1,668 acres; rateable value, £2,309; the population, in 1901 was 242.

ASHTON GIFFORD is a hamlet, three quarters of a mile west, adjoining which is the Codford Railway Station.

Sexton - William Mines

Wall Letter Box – cleared 6.10 p.m. week days & 9 a.m. on Sundays. Letters received through Codford St. Mary S.O. arrive at 6.30 a.m. & 5 p.m. Codford St Mary is the nearest money order & telegraph office, half a mile distant.

Elementary School (mixed), built in 1856, for 80 children; average attendance 50; Miss Emma Bullows, Mistress

Railway Station – Walter George Pope, Station Master

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Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Anderson		Miss		Codford St Peter
Chisman	William			Manor Farm, Codford St Peter
Dear	Alec J.			The Beeches, Codford St Peter
Dear		Mrs		The Beeches, Codford St Peter
Harding	Thos. King			Ashton Gifford House, Codford St Peter
Houston	Stuart Carey	Capt.		Manor House, Codford St Peter
Hulbert		Miss		Overton House, Codford St Peter
Maclean	Douglas	Rev. M.A.		Rectory, Codford St Peter
Wightwick		Misses		Codford St Peter

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Barnes	Leonard		Rate Collector	Codford St Peter
Carter	Mary	Mrs	Laundress	Codford St Peter
Chisman	William		Farmer, Manor Farm	Codford St Peter
Conduit	George		Grocer & Beer Retailer	Codford St Peter
Conduit	Giles		Foreman of Wool Works	Codford St Peter
Davis	Herbt. Jn.		Farmer, Lower Farm	Codford St Peter
Dear	George		Woolstapler	Codford St Peter
Dyer	Henry		Coal Dealer & Haulier	Codford St Peter
Ford	Walter		Builder	Codford St Peter
Hinton	George		Bee Farmer	Codford St Peter
Lever	William		Butcher	Codford St Peter
Matthews	Thomas		Farmer, The Bury & Quebec Farm, Upton Lovel	Codford St Peter
Matthews	Richard		Farm Bailiff to Mr Thomas Matthews	Codford St Peter
Pickard	Chas. Clifford		<i>George Inn</i> P.H.	Codford St Peter
Thornton	Kate	Mrs	Dress Maker	Codford St Peter
Toogood	Jane	Mrs	Laundress	Codford St Peter