

THE ARTS SOCIETY STOURBRIDGE



**Tour of Churches on the Oxfordshire fringe of the Cotswolds  
with Tim Bridges on Tuesday 15 October 2019**

*The Cotswolds region was an important centre for the wool trade in the Middle Ages and its churches reflect the vast wealth of merchants and sheep farmers. Built from the local Cotswold Stone, they have splendid architecture and beautiful furnishings. We aim to visit some delightful medieval churches in the attractive towns and villages on the Oxfordshire-Gloucestershire border.*

**9 a.m.** Depart by coach from Stourbridge Rugby Club, Bridgnorth Road, Stourton, Stourbridge. DY7 6QZ  
PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DEPARTURE VENUE.

**We aim to visit:-**

- **St Leonard, Bledington:** Fine mainly 15th century church in the patronage of Winchcombe Abbey with medieval wall paintings and stained glass.
- **St Mary, Shipton-under-Wychwood:** A 13th & 14th century church with C15th font and pulpit, **(NB This church has recently been closed for repairs. An alternative may be added.)**
- **St John the Baptist, Burford:** Impressive Norman and medieval church with remarkable chapels and spire. In 1649 over 300 'Levellers' were imprisoned by Cromwell in the church.
- **St Matthew, Langford:** This fascinating Saxon and Norman church has an unusual carved rood.
- **St Lawrence, Lechlade:** One of Gloucestershire's great wool churches, with Perpendicular architecture, fine medieval roofs, interesting furnishings and monuments.

**6 - 6.30 pm** Arrive back at Stourbridge Rugby Club.

*Our itinerary is subject to availability - arrangements may have to be altered if circumstances require.*

**COST: £48.00** including coffee, lunch at **The Cotswold Arms, Burford**, tea, parking, gratuities and donations.

Please apply (with stamped addressed envelope and cheque payable to 'The Arts Society Stourbridge') to:

Carolyn Morgan Jones, Redcliff, Compton Road, Kinver, Stourbridge. DY7 5NR.

Tel: 01384 872782 Mobile: 07818 615125

NB (1) *We offer two alternative dates to try and cater for the maximum number of interested members.*

NB (2) *There is no insurance for personal accidents - this is members' own responsibility.*

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**BOOKING FORM : COTSWOLD CHURCHES 2019**

I enclose SAE and cheque for £                      for                      places on the visit on **15 October**.

Name(s):

Address:

Home Telephone and Mobile:

Lunch will be a Ploughman's with choice of cheeses and/or honey roasted ham, with tea or coffee included.

**Please indicate any special dietary requirement(s):**

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Name(s)

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Other important details

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