

## St. Michael's Church to Saffron's Cross, via the River Lugg and passing Toll and Ketch Gate Houses

*Easy*

**3 miles (4.75 km.)**

**Start:- Car park opposite St Michael's School**

**Explorer 202 or Pathfinder 994 GR 531 511**

From the car park (A) take the footpath, Church Walk, immediately opposite the school gate. Enter St Michael's churchyard and, keeping the Church on your left, continue through a metal gate and cross the River Lugg by the footbridge (B).

Turn left signposted "Bodenham Moor" and follow the river, cross two stiles and here, where the river turns left, keep straight ahead on the same line to a stile in the hedge ahead. Cross this and the next field where a stile takes you into Smeadal Lane. Turn left to the tee junction where you turn right for 150 metres and then left and follow Ketch Lane to Saffron's Cross (H).

With the Old Toll House opposite and Ketch Gate House on your left, turn left for about 300 metres and cross a stile on your left. Bear diagonally left and cross the footbridge. Here the right of way goes straight ahead but the landowner kindly invites you to take the more pleasing route along the riverbank.

Accordingly turn right and follow the stream to the junction with the River Lugg, the site of Bodenham Mill (P).

Follow the river to a footbridge and turn right along the road. Cross Bodenham Bridge (G), pass the former smithy and go through a kissing gate on your left. Follow this path behind the Pigeon House (G) and enter the churchyard through a wrought iron kissing gate and leave by the lych gate to the car park.

