

Kelly's 1855

ANSTY, a township, village and parish, 13½miles west of Salisbury and 7 north east of Shaftesbury in the hundred of Dunworth, Hindon division, Tisbury Union, South Wilts. The village is encompassed with downs on every side, excepting towards the north. It contains 1,342 acres and in 1851, 367 inhabitants.

The whole of the parish belongs to Lord Arundel of Wardour who is likewise Lord of the Manor.

The church was rebuilt about twelve years since; it is in the form of a cross, of small dimensions but very neat; it has no tower, but a small belfry containing 1 bell.

Nearly adjoining the churchyard to the north is a pile of old buildings, now occupied as a farmhouse and barns, supposed to have belonged to the Abbey of Shaftesbury.

The living is a perpetual curacy in the diocese of Sarum, valued at £22.10s in the gift of Lord Arundel; the incumbent is the Rev. John Harman Samler, M.A. of Pembroke College Oxford who resides in the adjoining parish of Swallowcliff, of which he is also the incumbent.

The National School is in Swallowcliff.

There is a Roman Catholic school supported by Lord Arundel.

Letters through Salisbury. The nearest money order office is at Shaftesbury.

Carriers:

John Holloway - to Salisbury Tuesday & Friday: to Shaftesbury Saturday, returning same day.

Henry Foyle Parsons - to Salisbury Tuesday, returning same day.

Catholic School: Miss Martha Roberts, Mistress

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Bowles	John	Dairyman
Coombes	John	Farmer
Foster	Charles Read	Farmer
Green	Henry	Farmer
Holloway	John	Carrier
Jeffery	Thomas	Farmer
King	Samuel	Beer Retailer & Farmer
Lever, Mrs	Eliza	Beer Retailer
Lever	Henry	Parish Clerk
Lever	William	Carpenter
Parsons	Henry	Baker & Shopkeeper
Parsons	Henry Foyle	Carrier
Roberts, Miss	Martha	Catholic Schoolmistress
Taylor	Moses	Shoemaker
Viney	James	Gunsmith
White	William	Smith
Wood	John	Mason