



## High Onn, Staffordshire

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St Edith's Well

Well

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The well is to be found in the middle of a field near the Shropshire Union Canal, just to the south of High Onn Wharf. It is thought to be dedicated to St Edith, abbess of Polesworth in Warwickshire, who died c. 925. There is much confusion as to her identity, but she was certainly the widow of a Northumbrian king.

The waters are alleged to cure sore eyes. I took a sample when I visited the well in the summer of 1966, and it remains clear 36 years later.

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*Map of the area, showing location of St Edith's Well*



*A photograph of the well, taken by Eric Dunstall in late summer 1966*



*A general view of the well, taken by Eric Dunstall in late summer 1966*

