

Piddington is a parish and a village at the foot of Muswell Hill on the borders of Bucks, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south east from Blackthorn and $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles from Brill and Ludgershall stations on the Ashendon and Aynho Park section of the Great Western Railway, about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ~~from~~ southeast from Bicester station on the Bletchley and Oxford branch of the London, Midland and Scottish railway, and 12 miles north east from Oxford, in the Henley division of the county, Hundred of Bullingdon, Rural district and petty sessional division of Ploughley, county court district of Thame, rural deanery of Bicester, Arch deanery and diocese of Oxford.

The church of St Nicholas is an edifice of stone, chiefly of the Transitional period between the Early English and Decorated styles, and consists of chancel, nave and south aisle and low embattled western tower containing 5 bells. The chancel has two very rich sedilia, some remains of a canopy of a similar character over the door, with highly wrought crockets and finials and a piscina, all being fine examples of the Decorated period. On the north side is an Easter sepulchre with figures of angels. The nave is separated from the aisle by an arcade of four Perpendicular arches on octagonal columns. The font is of the same form and cup shaped. The tower is late and poor Perpendicular. There is a brass to Catherine, wife of Gilbert Hussay of Oundle 1613. The church plate includes a paten and chalice given in 1640 by William Ward of Piddington and a paten and chalice, given by Jane White in 1638. In 1897 the chancel and nave were restored and new roofed and a new porch erected. A memorial window has been placed in the south aisle by the family of the rev Charles Hill, a former vicar. There are 150 sittings. The register dates from the year 1653. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £250, with residence in the gift of the church council and held since 1923 by the Rev Herbert James Edwards BSc of London University.

There is a Congregational Mission Hall, erected in 1825 which affords 100 sittings.

Sir Lancelot Aubrey Fletcher Bt, is the lord of the manor. The farmers are the chief landowners. The soil is principally clay, subsoil clay. The land is pasture and arable. The area is 2354 acres. Population in 1931 was 196.

Private residents. Eric Boston, Muswell Hill. Albert Brown, The Homestead. Miss Brown, The Cottage. Rev. Edwards, The Vicarage. Miss Lyall, The Bungalow.

Commercial John Busby, farmer, Treadwell Farm. William Carver^U, farmer, Barn Farm. Charles Elliot, farmer, Browns Farm. Harry Elliot, smallholder. Mrs Sarah Freeman, farmer. Henry Harrison, farmer, Chilling Place. Cyril Herring, farmer. William Holt, farmer, Corble farm. William Hope, 7 stars public house. Joseph Humphries, baker. Christopher McCann, farmer, Willow Farm. John Marlow, farmer and rating officer. George Phillips, farmer, Muswell Hill. John Sulston farmer, cowleys farm. Fredrick Walker, farmer. Mrs Albert Wilkins, farmer. William Wilkins, farmer, Widnell farm.