The Parish church was built in the early 13th century but has some 18th century additions, including the chancel arch and north aisle. The tower is over 70 feet tall and contains a Bell dating from the mid-18th century. The nave, aisles and chancel are well preserved but the south aisle is heavily remodified and lacks a roof. The west door is an especially good example of a 17th-century doorway.

The Priory

In about 830, a Saxon priest named Cuthbert set up a monastery at Cosgrove. The church in Cosgrove is dedicated to St. Cuthbert. In around 1500, the Priory was dissolved and the site passed to private ownership.

St. Vincent’s Well

It is said that the water from this well has healing properties and was drunk by people with a variety of ailments. It is located in the High Street and is said to have been frequented by pilgrims.

Cosgrove Hall

The estate was once owned by the Rigby family and was originally known as the Rigby Hall. It became the Cosgrove Hall Hotel in 1810. The hotel was once the village pub and has been converted into a hotel with a restaurant and leisure facilities.

Cosgrove lies in the south-east of the county, approximately 8 miles south-east of Towcester. Wolverton is the nearest train station, which is 5 miles away. Lockable cycle racks are provided at the Navigation Inn.

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Walk 1 - Grand Union Canal (North)

Start at the Navigation Inn. Head south along the road for approximately 400 metres until you reach a bridleway heading south-east to Cosgrove. When you reach the village, turn east on Bridge Road and cross over the Ornamental Bridge. Follow the road a little further, then head north on a footpath alongside the Grand Union Canal to return to the road. The walk is approximately 7/8 miles and takes around 45 minutes. Easy terrain.

Walk 2 - Iron Aqueduct Circular

Start at the junction of the Buckinghamshire Arms with the Grand Union Canal. Walk south-east along the towpath to the Iron Aqueduct. Follow the path over the aqueduct and then turn left, down the cattle tunnel and under the canal. From here follow the south bank of the Great Ouse to Wolverton Mill. Cross the bridge and follow the footpath north back to Cosgrove. At Cosgrove cross the canal using the lock walkway to return to your starting point. The walk is approximately 2.5 miles and takes around 30 minutes. Easy terrain.

Walk 3 - River Tove

Start at the Cosgrove Lodge Hotel and follow the footpath north-east, then turn right onto the Priory Road. Cross over the River Tove and then turn north-west to follow the footpath to the road. Turn west and follow the road heading to the Navigation Inn. The Inn is a short distance from the road to Castlethorpe. It is a public wharf and dates from about 1680. It was established approximately 200 years earlier.

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Garrypore

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