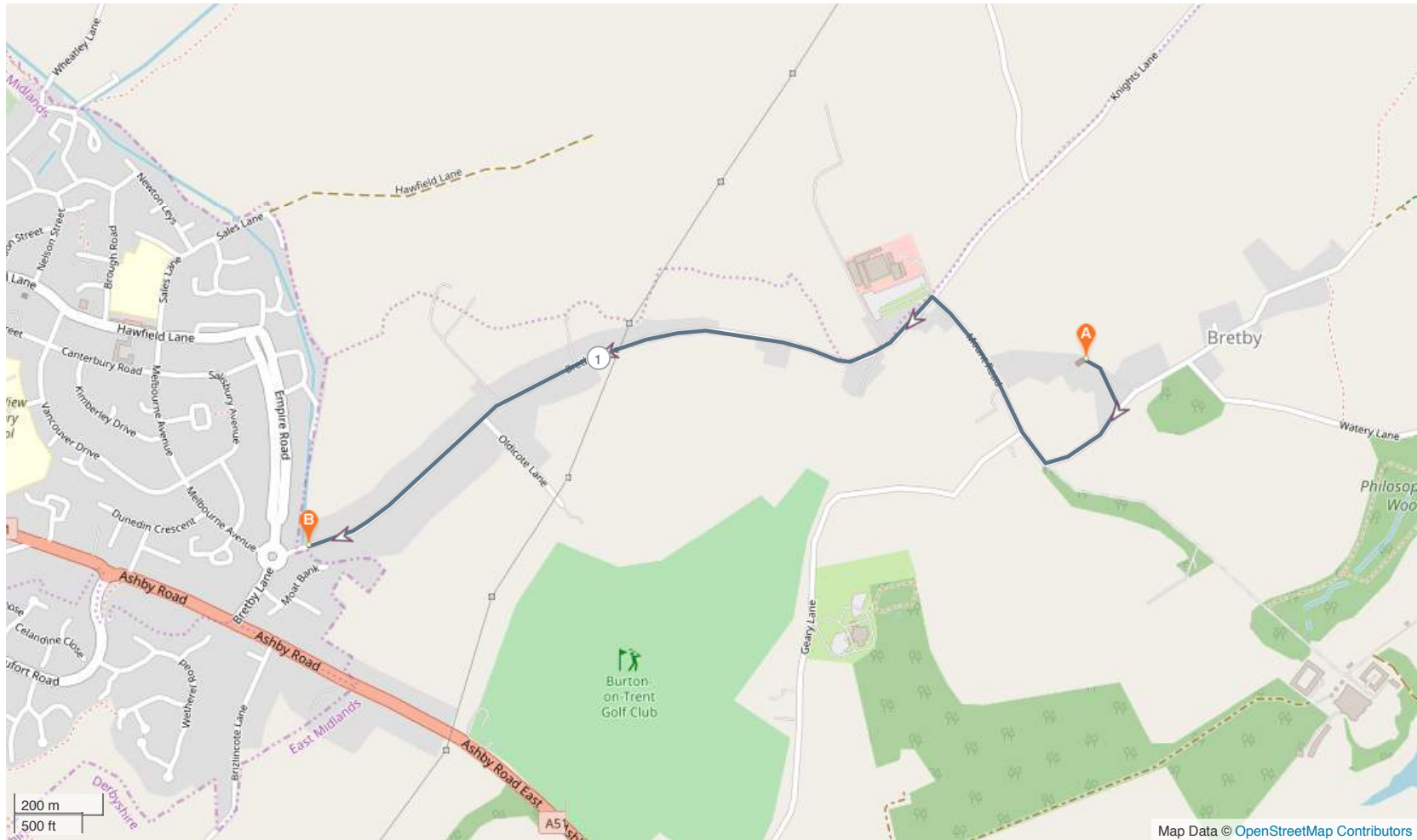


## Connections & Communications



**Start:** St Wistan's Church  
**Finish:** Bretby Lane Roundabout  
*1.8 miles*

Village Green – Mount Road – Bretby Lane – Roundabout

## Connections & Communications

### Prayer Walking

*The point of prayer walking isn't about being seen to pray; it's about seeing and praying. You can pray quietly with others or in silence if it makes you feel more comfortable. However, don't be afraid to pray out loud if you feel compelled to.*

### Telephone

Almighty God, who through your heavenly messengers of Angels and Archangels tell news and glad tidings to Zechariah and Mary about the birth of John and Jesus, and declared to humble shepherds the birth of your Son, we thank you for our earthly means of communication that allows us to share news with friends and family. Amen

Luke 2.8-14

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!

### Post Box

Isaiah 52:6-8

Therefore my people shall know my name; therefore on that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here am I. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion.

### Pylons (representing the harnessing of resources)

Praised be You my Lord with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun, Who is the day through whom You give us light. And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour, Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars, In the heavens you have made them bright, precious and fair.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, And fair and stormy, all weather's moods, by which You cherish all that You have made.

Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water, So useful, humble, precious and pure.

Praised be You my Lord through Brother Fire, through whom You light the night and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be You my Lord through our Sister, Mother Earth who sustains and governs us, producing varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.

*Taken from Canticle of Brother Sun and Sister Moon  
St. Francis of Assisi*

### Parish Council Noticeboard

Almighty God, Lord of all people and nations, we pray for rulers and statesmen, for those called to serve in positions of leadership at International, National and Local Government. Give them vision to discern the issues of our time, the courage to uphold what is right, and integrity in their words and motives: and may their service to their people promote welfare and peace to all, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Before stepping out...

O Lord, open our lips  
**All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us,  
**All and clothe us with power from on high. Alleluia.**

Blessed are you, creator God,  
to you be praise and glory for ever.  
As your Spirit moved over the face of the waters  
bringing light and life to your creation,  
pour out your Spirit on us at this time  
that we may walk as children of light  
and by your grace reveal your presence.  
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

## Before we go home...

Almighty God,  
your ascended Son has sent us into the world  
to preach the good news of your kingdom:  
inspire us with your Spirit  
and fill our hearts with the fire of your love,  
that all who hear your Word  
may be drawn to you,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.** *The Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come*

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

May the Spirit kindle in us the fire of God's love.

**All Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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## Other Prayers

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Lord Christ, true light of the world,  
shine, we pray, in the hearts of your people,  
that we might see the Way that leads to eternal life,  
and follow without stumbling;  
for you are the Way, O Christ,  
as you are the Truth and the Life.

Glory to God,  
whose power, at work among us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or conceive;  
to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever.

Alleluia. Amen.

*Ephesians 3.20-21*



