

Former places of worship in the Diocese of Southwark

LAMBETH, ST MARY-AT-LAMBETH (2)

Ref: LAM09

Status	converted or used for purposes other than worship
Borough	Lambeth
Present parish	NORTH LAMBETH
Built	1852
Build architect	P C Hardwick
Further information	<p>The church replaced an earlier mediaeval one of which only the tower remains. " ... <i>there were galleries in the aisles [removed in the late 19th century], and the organ was in a gallery ... the east window was by O'Connor. New seating was installed in 1885. The reredos was damaged in the War, but a portion remains ... total immersion font, 1904 ... pulpit, from St James's, Kennington Park, 1924: the rails probably came from All Saints', Maidstone. Post-War east and west windows and the 'Pedlar' window are by Francis Stephens. Several Archbishops of Canterbury are buried here.</i>" (extracts from a fuller description in 'Parish Churches of London', Basil F L Clarke, Batsford, 1966)</p> <p>The organ was said to date from 1701 "but much altered and added to". There are many monuments inside the church from the 16th century onwards. The Vauxhall Society has a full history.</p> <p>It was declared redundant in 1972 when Anglicans and Methodists formed a Local Ecumenical Partnership. A further Pastoral Scheme in 1977 led to its lease in 1979 to the Tradescant Trust as the Museum of Garden History. The bells, recast in 1922, went to Caterham, St John (R.C.) and many other furnishings found a new home. Items of church silver were loaned to the V&A Museum. The parsonage was sold for £62,500 in 1976</p> <p>The churchyard remains vested in the Rector of North Lambeth but under local authority control. The boundary walls and gates are separately listed grade II, and three tombs in the churchyard (those of Admiral Bligh, William Sealy and John Tradescant) are separately listed grade II*.</p>
Address	Lambeth Road
Postcode (if located)	SE1 7LB
Grid reference	TQ 306 790
Grade	2* and in a Conservation Area
Listed Building ref. (if applicable)	204420
Listing found? (if applicable)	YES
CPW / CCC report on file?	YES, dated 1970
Record office & reference	LMA/P85/MRY1



NOTES

Record office:
LMA=London Metropolitan Archives
www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/lma/

CPW/CCC refers to the reports prepared on churches proposed for demolition

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