

## Former places of worship in the Diocese of Southwark

### **CROYDON, ST MARTIN**

Ref: CRO06

also known as the ADDISCOMBE COLLEGE MEMORIAL CHURCH

Status	demolished
Borough	Croydon
Present parish	ADDISCOMBE, ST MARY MAGDALENE w ST MARTIN
Built	1902
Build architect	W & C A Bassett-Smith
Further information	<p>Originally a mission church of St James, West Croydon. The congregation grew out of what we would now call a "church plant" in a house in St James's parish. Unusually for a mission church, it was consecrated (by the Bishop of Islington on 22 May 1902). It acquired its own parish in 1927.</p> <p><i>"a red brick building with stone dressings ... in early 'decorated' style. The building consists of a nave in four bays—the easternmost one temporarily used as a chancel—north and south transepts, north and south aisles, a south porch, a small west baptistery and a flèche over the east end of the nave. The roofs are of pitch pine and are tiled."</i> (from the 1912 County History of Surrey, quoted on a <a href="#">local history</a> website). Vestries and a tower were added in 1922 and a Lady Chapel by Sir Charles Nicholson in 1931. A full description, along with a list of contents, is in the CCC report. A history of the church, plan, and description of the organ are also on the Diocesan file.</p> <p>Redundancy was proposed in 1975 but the church was not formally declared redundant until 1994; most of the contents were given to other local churches and it was demolished in 1995. The site was sold in 1996 to Presentation Housing Association. See Diocesan file (Addiscombe St Mary, ref. DPC/001FX) for details.</p> <p>The connection with Addiscombe College (which was a military academy) is not clear since it closed in 1861, long before St Martin's was built.</p>
Address	Stretton Road
Postcode (if located)	CR0 6EP
Grid reference	<a href="#">TQ 335 665</a>
Grade	Not Listed
Listed Building ref. (if applicable)	N/A
Listing found? (if applicable)	NO
CPW / CCC report on file?	YES, dated 1992
Record office & reference	not known
Diocesan property reference no.	0444/PKT15+37; basement archive 5/4



### NOTES

Record office:  
LMA=London Metropolitan Archives  
[www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/lma/](http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/lma/)

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

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