

Former places of worship in the Diocese of Southwark

EAST BRIXTON, ST JUDE

Ref: EAS01

Status	converted or used for purposes other than worship
Borough	Lambeth
Present parish	BRIXTON, ST MATTHEW
Built	1868
Build architect	E C Robins
Further information	<p><i>"The site for this church was given by Joshua Blackburn in 1862 ... the foundation stone was laid on 3 August 1867, and the church consecrated on 28 October 1868. The builder was John Kirk of Woolwich. The cost was £7,900. ... of Kentish rag and Bath stone; cruciform, with a very low tower and spire in the angle of the transept, facing the road. The chancel was damaged by fire in 1923, and restored by G H Fellowes Prynne. The church was damaged by bombing in 1940. On 24 May 1952 the south aisle was rededicated for use as a church: the rest was brought back into use later."</i> (from 'Parish Churches of London', Basil F L Clarke, Batsford, 1966). A further description is available at the British History website.</p> <p>A very large church (originally 1000 seats). Last used for worship in 1975, it was declared redundant in 1979 and sold freehold in 1980 for £38,000 as a furniture warehouse (Budget Furniture plc) which was still in business as of 2005. An alternative sale to a wine merchant was rejected as an unsuitable use. By 2008 it was the home of Mark Allen Group (publishers). There were no burials in the churchyard, nor memorials of note in the church. The Willis organ was allegedly sold to a school.</p> <p>Part of the sale money was used to create a 'sanctuary' in St Jude's school on Regent Road nearby, as a parish centre of worship. There was no incumbent from 1991 but the parish was only united with Brixton, St Matthew in 2002. The old vicarage behind the church remains a Diocesan property. The Diocesan archive file includes a 1961 plan, the last quinquennial report of 1974, and several photographs from the 1970's.</p>
Address	Dulwich Road
Postcode (if located)	SE24 0PB
Grid reference	TQ 315 745
Grade	N/A
Listed Building ref. (if applicable)	N/A
Listing found? (if applicable)	NO
CPW / CCC report on file?	YES, dated 1976
Record office & reference	LMA/P85/JUD
Diocesan property reference no.	0004 (Vicarage)



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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