

## The Archives of St James's Church, Piccadilly

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Only some church archives are kept on site at the church. Other records are held at two other sites, The City of Westminster Archives Centre and the London Metropolitan Archives.

Church Records Held at St James's Church:

**Baptisms:** - 1983 - present

**Confirmations:** - 1983 - present

**Banns of Marriage:** 1995 - present

**Marriages:** - 2014 - 2020\*

**Memorial Services:** - 1954 - Present

\*From 4 May 2021, as part of the *Civil Partnerships, Marriages and Deaths (Registration etc) Act 2019*, the legal registration of marriages became the responsibility of local register offices, under the direction of the General Register Office. For information on marriages solemnised after 4 May 2021, please contact the local register office to the church where the marriage was conducted.

### Ecclesiastical Records Held at the City of Westminster Archives Centre:

#### Contact Information

Archives Centre 10 St. Ann's Street, London SW1P 2DE

Tel: 020 7641 5180

Email: <https://www.westminster.gov.uk/contact-library>

Website: [www.westminster.gov.uk/leisure-libraries-and-community/westminster-archives](http://www.westminster.gov.uk/leisure-libraries-and-community/westminster-archives)

#### Records Held

**Baptisms:** 1685 - 1963; **Banns:** 1856 - 1961 (gaps); **Marriages:** 1685 - 2020; **Burials:** 1685 - 1853, **Burial Ledgers of St James's Chapel, Hampstead Road:** 1789 - 1852.

### Records Held at the London Metropolitan Archives

#### Contact Information

London Metropolitan Archives, 40 Northampton Road, London, EC1R 0HB

Tel: 0207 3323820

Website: [www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/lma](http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/lma)

#### Records Held

Microfilm transcripts of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials: January 1800 - December 1853.

#### Note

Please contact the archives in advance arrange your visit to access the archives.

## Extended Records Held at City of Westminster Archives Centre

### Ecclesiastical - Churchwardens

**Accounts:** 1685-1959 (gaps)

**Pew Rents:** 1773-1940 (gaps)

**Pew Rents for St James's Chapel, Hampstead Road:** 1849-1861

**Church Fabric Papers:** 1945-1973 (Acc 494, Acc 1213)

### Ecclesiastical - Parochial Church Council

**Minutes:** 1920-1980

**Accounts:** 1952-1956 (Acc 1213, Acc 1425)

**Vestry Minutes:** 1901-1932 (Acc 1213)

**Charities:** Papers 1690-1937 (gaps) (Acc 494)

- **Ann Hemworth Charity** 1811-1890 (deeds)
- **Archbishop Tenison's Charity** 1870-1980 (gaps) (Acc 1425)
- **Bagshawe and Newton** 1904 - 1933 (Acc 488)
- **Charitable Institution for the Blind** 1831 - 1853
- **Ganier Greenhill Bequest** 1952-1975 (gaps) (Acc 1425)
- **Jackson's Bounty** 1823-1901 (Acc 1425)
- **Le Quainter's Bounty** 1818-1900 (Acc 1425)
- **St James's Charitable Institution** 1832 -1853
- **United Charities** 1899-1980
- **Schools** See section 17 (Acc 494)

### Civil

Some of the civil parish records are held at Westminster Archives. These include the administration of activities including the collection of rates, poor relief, the policing functions of the watch and parish constables, maintenance of public health and the provision of lighting, paving and cleansing, baths, washhouses and libraries. St James's parish records are classified by the Parish Code 'D' - St James, Piccadilly.

**Vestry Minutes:** 1685-1900

**Rates and Valuation:** 1686-1900

**Poor Law:**

- **Governors and Directors of the Poor Minutes** 1707-1890
- **Overseers' Accounts** 1785-1901 (gaps)
- **Poor Ledger** 1831-1871
- **Workhouse Papers** 1791-1881
- **Settlement Papers** 1857-1867
- **Removal Orders** 1801-1825
- **Register of Children at Schools** 1843-1869
- **Petitions for Poor Relief** 1692-1694
- **Poor Relief Payments List** 1688-1869 (gaps)
- **Lancashire Cotton Operatives Relief Fund** 1862-1863
- **Insane Poor Lists** 1849-1895

### **Watch and Constables:**

- **Papers** 1735-1829
- **Watch Rate** 1735-1829 (gaps)
- **Account Books, Patrol Lists, Report Books, Charge Books and Bail Books**

### **Highways and Health:**

- **Papers** 1762-1900
- **Paving Rate** 1765-1855
- **Committee for Paving, Cleansing and Lighting Minutes** 1771-1835
- **Committee for the Paving and Improving the Parish of St James Minutes** 1841-1855
- **Works Committee Minutes** 1858-1900
- **Lighting Committee Minutes** 1883-1895

### **Baths and Washhouses:**

- **Report of Commissioners** 1890-1892
- **Minute Book** 1847-1900 (partially indexed)
- **Agendas** 1859-1895
- **Wages Book** 1885-1889
- **Papers** 1859-1900

### **Deposited Plans:**

- **Plans** 1784-1974 (gaps)
- **Surveyors Department Plans** 1875-1900 & 1950-1974
- **Land in St Pancras** 1789
- **St James's Chapel Burial Ground, Hampstead Road** 1847
- **Land in St James's Road Battersea** 1850-1879
- **Plans for Rebuilding St James's Church Piccadilly by Professor Richardson** 1945-1954

### **Militia Records for St James's Loyal Volunteers:**

- **Declaration of Rules and Regulations** 1797
- **Minutes** 1815 (Acc 767)