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ST ANDREW BY THE WARDROBE

St Andrew by the Wardrobe, Queen Victoria Street

St Andrew by the Wardrobe was an ancient parish in the City of London and formed part of Castle Baynard Ward. Each ward has an elected alderman and supporting councilmen in the City of London Corporation which has administered the City since before the Norman Conquest and is still doing so today.

This church was known as St Andrew de Castello in 1244 but became known by its present name due to the adjacent building where the King's ceremonial robes were stored from 1361. It was rebuilt by Sir Christopher Wren around 1690 after the original church burnt down in the Great Fire of 1666. In 1871 much of the churchyard was lost when Queen Victoria Street was laid out. During the Second World War the building was destroyed by incendiary bombs but it was rebuilt in 1959. Records of St Andrew by the Wardrobe, including registers of baptisms (1558-1939), marriages (1558-1940) and burials (1558-1850) are at London Metropolitan Archives, Ref: P69/AND1.



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