

LONDON WESTMINSTER & MIDDLESEX FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

ST MARY LE BOW

St Mary le Bow, Cheapside

St Mary le Bow was an ancient parish in the City of London and formed part of Cordwainer 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.

St Mary le Bow is first mentioned in records in 1091, when it was owned by the Archbishop of Canterbury. The church burnt down in 1666 and was rebuilt by Wren. In 1670 the parish was united to All Hallows Honey Lane and St Pancras Soper Lane, which had both lost their churches to the blaze. In 1876 these parishes were joined by St John the Evangelist Friday Street and All Hallows Bread Street. Restorations in the 1950s repaired war damage and St Mary le Bow remains a parish church. Records of St Mary le Bow, Cheapside including registers of baptisms (1538-1992), marriages (1538-1992) and burials (1538-1852) are at London Metropolitan Archives, Ref: P69/MRY7.





+++++