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ST OLAVE JEWRY

St Olave Jewry

St Olave Jewry was an ancient parish in the City of London and formed part of Coleman Street 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 Olave Jewry is first mentioned in records in 1181. It burnt down in the Great Fire of 1666 after which the parish was united with St Martin Pomeroy and St Mary Colechurch. The joined parishes worshipped at St Olave, which was rebuilt by Sir Christopher Wren in the 1670s. These parishes were united with St Mildred Poultry in 1871 and St Margaret Lothbury in 1886, after which the church of St Olave was demolished. Records of St Olave Jewry including registers of baptisms (1539-1884), marriages (1539-1886) and burials (1538-1849) are at London Metropolitan Archives, Ref: P69/OLA2.



The tower of St Olave – now an office building

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