

Around twenty church buildings are closed for worship each year. The list below shows all the buildings that are currently available for sale or lease for a suitable use. Some of them may already be under offer, but it is worth contacting the agent if you are interested.

Please read the document [Guidance for Potential Purchasers and Lessees](#) before contacting an agent about a church building.

Please check this page for updates regularly if you are interested in a particular area or building.

Bollingham St Silas (Diocese of Hereford)

Offers in excess of £45,000 are sought for the freehold of Bollingham St Silas church. The property is in the village of Eardisley which is located approximately 2.5 miles south of Kington.

Bollingham St Silas is a building of moderate significance. A simple chapel in an attractive rural setting, it retains some medieval fabric but was largely rebuilt in 1865–67 by the leading local church architect of the time, Thomas Nicholson.

Bollingham St Silas is Grade II Listed and constructed of local sandstone rubble with ashlar dressings and there are a series of windows. There are decorative stained glass east and west windows to the structure whilst the sides of the building have plain windows.*

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the agent detailed below.

<https://www.sunderlands.co.uk/commercial/property/bollingham-kington-herefordshire-6953 >

Name: Bollingham St Silas

Diocese: Hereford

*Location: **Bollingham, Eardisley, Herefordshire HR5 3LE***

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Dulas St Michael and All Angels (Diocese of Hereford)

The attractive former church of St Michael & All Angels, Dulas, Herefordshire is Grade II listed and constructed of sandstone under a pitched stone tile roof. It is situated on a minor road 2 km north-west of Ewyas Harold (opposite Dulas Court) and close to the well-known tourist destination, the Golden Valley. Internally, the building comprises nave, chancel, vestry and porch with a total accommodation of some 122 square metres (1,318 sqft). Part of the churchyard and the access drive will be included in the sale. A successful planning application for partial change of use to holiday residential use can be found on Herefordshire Council's planning portal (refs.: P164098/F and P164099/L). Sold freehold with vacant possession. Information pack available from Sunderlands.

Diocese: Hereford

Location: Dulas (near Ewyas Harold)

OS grid reference: SO 371 294

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Hastings All Souls (Diocese of Chichester)

Offers are invited for the freehold of the church of All Souls, Hastings. The property is located on the corner of Athelstan Road and Berlin Road in the Clive Vale area of Hastings, approximately one and a half miles north east of the town centre.

All Souls is listed Grade II*. The church is a large building designed by the prominent Victorian Architect, Sir Arthur Blomfield and dates from 1889-91. It consists of a five bay nave with north and south aisles, chancel and south-east chapel and a north-east vestries. The church was constructed of red brick with clay tile roofs. There are no burials at the site. The building contains stained glass and interior fittings dating from 1890.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the agent detailed below.

Diocese: Chichester

Location: Athelstan Road, **Clive Vale, Hastings, TN35 5JE.**

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South Hylton Saint Mary (Diocese of Durham)

The Grade II Listed former church of St Mary's, South Hylton dates back to the 1820s and is set in grounds of approximately 0.4 acres. The church sits in a prominent position on Church Road and is enclosed by a stone wall. The property stands within a rectangular plot of approximately 0.4 acres, the church itself extends to circa 3,735 sq. Ft (346 sq. M). The accommodation briefly comprises of chancel, nave, aisle, organ chamber and tower. The property benefits from mains electricity, water and gas. There is no mains sewage or WC within the property. Access is directly off Church Street, parking is available on the adopted highway but there is no designated parking allocated at the church.

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Diocese: Durham

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St Leonards on Sea St Leonard (Diocese of Chichester)

Offers in the region of £500,000 are invited for the freehold of the former church of St Leonard, which is situated along the seafront at St Leonards on Sea, just to the west of Hastings and enjoys far-reaching views over the English Channel.

St Leonard's is a Grade II listed building standing at the foot of the cliff between West Hill Road and Undercliff. The property includes the small churchyard at the top of the cliff and an area of land to the east of the building.

The church was built in 1953-61 to designs by Sir Giles and Adrian Gilbert Scott replacing a previous church dating from 1834 which was destroyed in the Second World War. It consists of a 5 bay nave, chancel, prominent west tower, vestry and extension containing various ancillary rooms and was built of buff brick on a concrete frame with sandstone dressings. It has a gross internal area measuring some 10,221ft². The majority of the furnishings and fittings are contemporary with the building.

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Diocese: Chichester

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St Hilda's Church, Thurnscoe (Diocese of Sheffield)

St Hilda's Church, Thurnscoe is an attractive stone building constructed in 1938 using traditional methods and materials. It is unlisted. The building is of a typical pattern and stands within its own grounds, which are mainly laid to grass with a hard surfaced area used for vehicle standing. The building has closed for formal worship and is being brought forward for sale in the open market. Planning consent has not been sought and we are seeking expressions of interest from potentially interested parties. It is understood that the building has mains electricity, water, gas and sewerage. The interior is spacious and the building would lend itself to a variety of uses including sports, community, and meeting space

Diocese: Sheffield

Location: HANOVER STREET, THURNSCOE, ROTHERHAM, S63 0HH

The property stands within a residential area on Hanover Street, within the village of Thurnscoe and lies approximately 800 metres north of Thurnscoe Station

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St John’s Church, Skipton on Swale (Diocese of York)

St John’s church, Skipton on Swale, Thirsk, is a charming stone building, built in the early 1840's. The Grade II listed building is small village church set in an attractive medium-sized church yard. It is bounded on the south by the former A61 Ripon-Thirsk road, now a quiet village street, on the east and north sides by the driveway to the (former) vicarage and on the west by the former vicarage garden. The boundaries are marked by stone walls.

Mains electricity is via an overhead cable and mains water via lead pipes but the property has no gas or foul drainage (it is understood that there is no mains drainage in village). Heating is currently via wall-mounted infra-red electric heaters.

Parking is available on the public highway but there is currently no off street or allocated parking spaces available for the church. Please note that the exact amount of churchyard to be included in the disposal will require careful consideration and negotiation, and may depend on the proposed new use.

Offers are invited for viable alternative uses. Expressions of interest from those with a viable alternative community use are especially welcome.

Diocese: York

Location: SKIPTON ON SWALE, THIRSK, NORTH YORKSHIRE

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St Paul’s, Boughton (Diocese of Chester)

Offers invited for the freehold of the church of St Paul’s, Boughton, Chester. The property is located within close proximity of Chester City Centre (1.5 miles), Chester mainline railway station (1 mile) and Chester racecourse (1.5 miles). This is a substantial Grade II* Listed Building with potential for alternative uses subject to planning and listed building consent and has a guide price of £100,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

Diocese: Chester

Location: Boughton, Chester, CH3 5BR

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Link to marketing brochure/website: [St. Paul’s Church, Chester - MBRE](#)

Bedford Leigh St Thomas (Diocese of Manchester)

Offers invited for the freehold of the church of Bedford Leigh St Thomas and associated churchyard/grounds. The property is located within the Bridgwater canal conservation area in close proximity to Leigh District Centre. This is a substantial Grade II Listed Building with associated grounds (c.0.75 acres) with potential for alternative uses and redevelopment subject to planning and listed building consent. The property has a guide price of £275,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

Diocese: Manchester

Location: St Thomas Church, Chapel Street, Leigh, Wigan

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Link to marketing brochure/website: [St. Thomas Church, Chapel Street, Leigh - MBRE](#)

Carlisle Holy Trinity (Diocese of Carlisle)

Offers invited for the freehold of the church of Carlisle Holy Trinity together with adjoining parish hall. The property is unlisted and not within a conservation area with potential for alternative uses and redevelopment subject to planning and listed building consent. The property has a guide price of £250,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

Diocese: Carlisle

Location: Carlisle, CA2 7BH

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Link to marketing brochure/website: [Holy Trinity Church, Carlisle, CA2 7BH - Edwin Thompson](#)

Witton, St Mark (Diocese of Blackburn)

Offers invited for the freehold or leasehold interest of the church of Witton St Mark, Blackburn. The property is located within a popular residential Blackburn suburb in close proximity to Witton Country Park. This is a substantial Grade II* Listed Building with potential for alternative uses subject to planning and listed building consent and we are seeking offers in excess of £100,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

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Link to marketing brochure/website: [Proctors Estate Agents | For Sale](#)

Church Kirk, St James (Diocese of Blackburn)

Offers invited for the freehold or leasehold interest of the church of Church Kirk St James, Blackburn. The property is located within a primarily residential area and adjoins the towpath of the Leeds and Liverpool canal to the north. The full site area including the churchyard extends to 1.65 acres however the exact extent of any disposal will be agreed with the purchaser having regard to the proposed use and the extent of burials within the churchyard area. This is a substantial Grade II* Listed Building with potential for alternative uses subject to planning and listed building consent and we are seeking offers in the region of £75,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

Diocese: Blackburn

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Link to marketing brochure/website: [St. James Church, Accrington - MBRE](#)

Witton Park, St. Paul (Diocese of Durham)

Stone built, unlisted closed church which has FULL PLANNING PERMISSION and all necessary ecclesiastical consents in place for conversion to a detached two storey four bedroom dwelling. The church is a beautiful building set in its own grounds with a garden surrounding the building and a stone boundary wall. The churchyard does not contain any graves or burials. Plans have been approved for conversion into a four bedroom dwelling with an off road parking area for two cars. Internally the building is extremely spacious and retains many original features, with the planning consent providing a large open plan living area to the west end with the bedrooms over two floors to the east end.

Details of the planning information can be found on Durham County Councils Planning Portal, reference DM/22/02035/FPA or obtained from the selling agent. Planning permission was granted on 15th December 2022 and is valid for three years.

Diocese: Durham

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St John the Baptist, Godley (Diocese of Chester)

Offers invited for the freehold of the closed church of Godley St John the Baptist, Chester. The property is located in Godley, Hyde, a short distance from the town centre and within a short drive of the M67 motorway. The building measures approximately 4,300 sq.ft and is set within a churchyard with burials measuring around 1.5 acres. The building is Grade II listed with potential for alternative uses subject to planning and listed building consent and has a guide price of £50,000.

Expressions of interest should be made direct to the Agent.

Diocese:

Chester

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Darlington St John the Evangelist (Diocese of Durham)

Built in 1849, St John’s is a Grade II listed building in a prominent elevated position adjacent to the Darlington railway station development. The church was constructed from coursed sandstone with a steeply pitched slate roof. The NE vestry has a flat roof (reduced from the original gable). A 20th century brick vestry has been built to the rear of the original. The property provides substantial accommodation totalling approximately 623 sq. m (6705 sq. ft)

Externally the curtilage, which contains no burials or graves, provides a parking area with direct road access from Neasham Road. This is a shared entrance, and a right of way exists to provide access for the neighbouring scout premises and flats.

[Commercial property for sale in Neasham Road, Darlington, DL1 \(rightmove.co.uk\)](#)

Diocese: Durham

Location: Neasham Road, Darlington, DL1 4DL

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