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Diocese created from Southwark Diocese on 19th of May 1882 119

Bransbury Road, Our Lady of Lourdes

	1928	Motor Garage, Edward Beach	1
	1934-1937	Motor Garage, Mrs E Beach	
	1937-1948	Meetings held in former garage	9,134
	1937	Proposed Roman Catholic Church on corner of Bransbury Road and Minstead Road	95
14 Nov	1937	Converted garage blessed by Bishop Cotter	www
	1937	[30105] Bransbury Road church by Marchetti & Co for Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth	95
	1939	[31086] Bransbury Road Church for Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth	95
	1947	Acquired 15 Bransbury Road	www
	1946-1956	Our Lady of Lourdes, Bransbury Road/Minstead Road	1
	1956	Built as chapel of ease to St Swithun	9,134
	1956	New church built by Marchetti	www
11 Feb	1956	Opened by Archbishop King	www
	1958-1976	Our Lady of Lourdes, Bransbury Road/Minstead Road	1
	1976-2014	Our Lady of Lourdes, Bransbury Road/Minstead Road	
		Served by priests from St Swithun later	
		Rev J Birch 1966	1
		Rev Thomas Power 1967	1
		Rev Derek Reeve 1971-1976	1
		Rev Derek Reeve 1976-2003	
		Rev Simon Thomson 2014	

Commercial Road, near Theatre Royal

	1865	School built	148
	1879	Masons bought Catholic School in Spring Gardens for £1,650	181

402-404 Commercial Road, St Marys Convent, Helper of the Holy Souls

		Previously Angus Lodge and Mile End Lodge	
	1912	[19218] Commercial Road, Convent for the Superioress	95
16 Jul	1913	Open order established by Mere Marie	89
	1913	[19588] Princes Street shed for St Marys Convent	95
	1913	[19591] 402 Commercial Road shed for St Marys Convent	95
	1914-1976	St Marys Convent (Helper of Souls), 402-404 Commercial Road	1
	1936	[29299] 404 Commercial Road additions to St Marys Convent by Marchetti Ltd for Rev Mother Superior	95
	1949	[2349] 404 Commercial Road, bathroom, architect A.E Tutte & Son	95
	1950	[3418] 404 Commercial Road, alterations & fireproof staircase for Mother Superior	95
	1978	Planning application for 19 + 12 units of accommodation for elderly Chapel demolished. Part converted into flats plus new blocks, Chapel Court 1-16 (1979), Providence Court 1-23 (1979)	PCC

Edinburgh Road, St John The Evangelist

		Site bought from the War Office with help from the Duke of Norfolk who donated £4,000 to the venture	14
9 Dec	1880	Foundation stone laid by Bishop of Southwark	14,119
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	1880-1882	Five bays of nave built cost £9,000. £4,000 donation from the Duke of Norfolk. Architect John Crawley who died in 1881, work taken over by Joseph Stanislaus Hansom, the son of the Hansom cab designer. Built of	

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	Fareham brick	5(8),14
10 Aug 1882	Officially opened & Bishop Vertue of Portsmouth enthroned	14,89,119
	1886 Crossings and transept built seats 600	?
	1886 Incomplete, seats 600, memorial window to Canon Horan	1
29 Mar 1887	Consecrated	14,89,119
	1893 Chancel and Apse built	14,119
	Builder Mr William R.Light	89
	1905 [16066] extension for Right Rev J.B Cahill by Holland	95
	1906 West end and turrets and chapel of St Patrick built, sanctuary reconstructed. Architects Canon Alexander Scholes and Nathaniel Westlake. Seats 1200	14
	1915 [20067] Additions for Bishop of Portsmouth	95
	1924 [21848] Alfred Road new chapel for Bishop of St Johns	95
	1924 Turrets underpinned	
	1963 North window rebuilt after war damage	?
	1976 Interior remodelled cost £28,000, architect Mr Austin Winkley	5(8)
	1982 St Johns Primary School converted into administration offices, renamed St Edmunds House. Exterior cleaned, caretakers house demolished. Architect John Wingfield	119
Dec 1995	£9,500 grant from English Heritage for work to safety of roof walkways	9
Jan 1999	£25,000 award from English Heritage for work on roof and to improve safety	9
Jun 1999	Restoration of stonework commenced	
20 May 2001	Cardinal O'Connor, Archbishop of Westminster officially re-opened the church on completion of restoration work, including new floor, restored ceiling, refurbished high altar, redecoration	9
19 Oct 2002	Inaugural recital on refurbished organ, by Adrian Lucas	9
	Cost £250,000, pipework from redundant Anglican church in Sunderland	9
2010	Statue of St John, sculptor Philip Jackson, cost £90,000, dedicated by the Archbishop of Westminster	9
2014	Rev Dr John Virtue 1882-1900	1,166
	Rev John Cahill 1901-1905	1
	Rev Patrick O'Leary 1911	1
	Right Rev William Cotter 1914-1940	1
	Right Rev John King 1941-1965	
	Right Rev Derek Worlock 1965-1976	1
	Right Rev Anthony Emery 1776-1988	
	Right Rev Crispian Hollis 1988-2012	
	Right Rev Philip Egan 2012-2014	

Edinburgh Road

	1884 Bishops house built	?
	1906 [16163] Cottage & Additions by H Holland for Bishop of Portsmouth	95
10 Jan 1941	Bishops house bombed, church damaged, archives lost	119
	1948 [2180] rebuild house {Bishops House}, architects Scoles & Raymond;	
	[2180a] 1950 additions to basement walls & roof construction	95
1945-1950	Bishops house rebuilt and cathedral restored. Architects Archbishop King, Canon Burret and Mr Raymond	?
	1951 [4295] St Johns Cathedral, Edinburgh Road, Clubroom	95

Edinburgh Road

1880 School built

Flathouse Road/Martha Street, Our Lady & St Camillus Naval Church

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1886	Gothic Iron Building erected	138
1899	St Camillus Naval Church, not public, Unicorn Road	1
1900-1905	St Camillus Naval Church, not public, Flathouse Road/Martha Street	1
1911-1918	Our Lady & St Camillus Naval Church, Flathouse Road/Martha Street	1
1923-1938	Our Lady & St Camillus Church, Flathouse Road/Martha Street	1
1927	[23593] Flathouse Road additions for Rev W.H Percell	95
1973-1976	Dockyard Apprentice Training Hall, Flathouse Road	1
1976-1978	Apprentices Hall	
1983	Derelict	
1988	Demolished	
	Rev Henry Russell 1899-1905	1
	Rev Hamilton MacDonald 1911-1923	1
	Rev William Purcell 1928	1

Gladys Avenue, Corpus Christi

1893	Built, seats 600, paid for by funds collected by priest who died on the Isle of Wight	1,4,14
	Builder G.W.Bevis & Sons	138
28 Sep 1893	Altar consecrated by Bishop Vertue	119
1896		1
1903	[14548] Extended Rev A Steggall	95
17 Mar 1904	Opened	89
1906	Bought organ from St Marks C of E for £200	138
1921	[20883] Hall for Rev Reginald Rabb	95
1921	[20917] Hall for Rev Reginald Rabb	95
1926	[23005] Gladys Avenue additions by S Salter for Rev R.F Roab	95
1976		1
Feb 1994	Electronic Bells installed	9
1976-2016	Gladys Avenue	
	Rev Augustus Steggall 1896-1905	1
	Rev Reginald Raab 1911-1914	1
	Rev Timothy Watson 1917-1918	1
	Rev Reginald Raab 1921-1948	1
	Rev James Feddis 1951	1
	Rev Gerrard Dwyer 1953-1966	1
	Rev Michael Minogue 1967	1
	Rev Bernard Heeran 1971-1976	1
	Rev Alphonsus Hopwood 1976	1
	Fr Steven Restori 2014	

Grove Road North, Convent of The Cross

1902	Old school (North Grove School) taken over, in three houses	1
1905	13 Grove Road South	1
1906	[16368] additions for Rev Mother	95
1906	[16387] Laundry for Rev Mother	95
1907	Built	1
1909	[18001] Additions to convent for Mother Superior	95
1911-1918	Catholic High School for Young Ladies	1
1923-1940		1
1936	[29283] Convent of Cross, Grove Road North lavatories by Marchetti Ltd for Rev Mother General	95
1938	[30747] Convent of Cross, Grove Road South additions by Marchetti Ltd for Rev Mother Superior	95
1944	Transferred to Waterlooville and premises became the Eye And Ear Hospital	9

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1944	Released to council	95
1971	Closed	
1976	Grove Road North boarded up	9
Jun 1976	Demolished	9

Grove Road South, St Johns Catholic School

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Hilsea Garrison, St Barbaras

1932	Ex Methodist tin chapel bought and moved to this site
197?	Part demolished, part burnt down

High Street, St John The Evangelist School Rooms

1865	Built	4
	Sold to Masons	4

Lawrence Road, Nazareth House

Nazareth House was founded by Mother St Basil (Victoire Larmenier) Of Brittany in Hammersmith. Originally as homes for the elderly, later for abandoned and handicapped children
Roman Catholic Home for Aged, Orphans and School

1880s		119
1887	Plans drawn up by Mr Leonard Stokes On site of 1-4	
Apr 1888	Opened, cost £6,000	www
1891	Lawrence Road	171
1891-1900	Nazareth House, Home for Aged Poor and Orphan Children	1
1899	[12850] Lawrence Road alterations by W Ward for M Brady {Nazareth Ho}	95
1900	New chapel builder William Ward, architect Leonard Stokes	
1901-1966	Nazareth House, Home for Aged Poor and Orphan Children	1
1905	[15753] external staircase added	95
1905	[16043] Nazareth House coal shed by W Ward for Mother Superior	95
1909	[17979] Nazareth House, Lawrence Road additions by W Ward for Sisters of Nazareth	95
1911	[18487] Nazareth House, Lawrence Road additions by W Ward for Mother Superior	95
1912	[19012] Nazareth House, Lawrence Road additions by W Ward for Mother Superior	95
1912	[19080] Nazareth House, Lawrence Road laundry by W Ward for Sisters of Nazareth	95
1967-1976	Nazareth House, Home for elderly ladies	1
1976-1982	Nazareth House, Home for elderly ladies	1
1985	Converted to 53 flats, Brandon Court. Stained glass from chapel taken to Larmenier Village in Lancashire a retirement village run by the Sisters of Nazareth	www
1991-2017		

Milton Road, St Joseph

	Site cost £800	151
5 Mar 1908	Site bought by Bishop Cahill	119
1908	[17308] Application for Presbytery by Rev Cahill builders Jenkins & Sons	95
1908	[17389] Application for church by Rev Cahill builders Jenkins & Sons	95
1908	Presbytery and Lady Chapel built	151
1908	Built, architect Canon Alexander Scholes	14,119
	Architect Canon Scholes, builder Marchetti	151
1911	In course of erection	1

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1913	[19670] Tangier Road church by A Fairhall (sic) for Bishop of Portsmouth	95
1914	Opened in Autumn	89
	seats 600	1
19 Nov 1913	Consecrated	151
1966/67	Interior and exterior renovated	151
1976-2014		
	Rev Francis Murphy 1911-1928	1
	Rev Patrick MacSwiney 1934	1
	Rev John Duran 1936-1940	1
	Rev J Eeddis 1946-1948	
	Rev Gerrard Dwyer 1951	1
	Rev Thomas Murphy 1953-1966	1
	Rev E Conway 1967	1
	Rev E Conway 1971	1
	Rev D O’Ryan 1973-1976	1
	Fr Steven Restori 2014	
Tangier Road		
1933	[27171] Hall for Rev P.J McSwiney and later amended plan	95
2016		
Naval Barracks, St Mary		
1976		1
Prince George Street (rear of 24/26), St John The Evangelist		
1791	Chapel built behind two houses to seat 500	4,23
1792	Chapel opened behind two houses	119
1793	Built by Rev Francis De La Rue, French emigrant priest	59
1796	Chapel behind two houses	14
	Chapel sat 300 at rear of 25 and 26	153
1850-1853	Enlarged, seats 500	23,119
1851	Enlarged to seat 500	153
1851	School held in 24 which had been purchased - rear enabled expansion of chapel	153
1851	School built	23
1859	Seats 600	59
1887	Transferred to Edinburgh Road and building sold	23,153
1899-1951	Winterbottom & Sons, Printer, 25 Prince George Street	1
1953-1962	Wintworth Press, 25 Prince George Street	1
1965	Demolished	9
	Rev Stephen Philips 1859	59
	Rev John Horan 1867-1875	1
Prince George Street, St Joseph		
1857	Chapel	?
27 South Parade		
	See Schools	
2 Unicorn Row		
?	Papist community	14
1791	Mass centre in private house	153
1794	Chapel	4
1794	Register of baptisms started	148
1796	Chapel	148

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1799 Transferred to Prince George Street ?

Upper Arundel Street, St Edmunds School

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Waverley Road, St Swithun And Our Lady

Jul 1884	First resident priest appointed to Chapel of Ease to St John the Evangelist	134
1885	Site cost £1166 15s 11d, building of school chapel £978 9s 5d, levelling and railings £89 15s 7d	134
1889	Iron church built	www
1891	Iron church erected, foundations £82 6s, Iron Church from Humphreys £640 19s 7d, seats 400	134
1895	Foundation stone of new church laid	134
1899	Iron Chapel moved to rear of site	134
1899	[12763] Planning application for Church	95
1900	Ground prepared by Messrs Goddard of Farnham	134
1900	[13162] Planning application by Rev A.E Coughlan, Builders Goddard & Sons	95
24 Aug 1900	Commenced	89
24 Sep 1901	Opened cost £6,000	134
1908	Built architect Canon Alexander Scholes	1,14,119
Jul 1908	Consecrated by Bishop Cahill	1,14,134
	Reredos completed and altar rails put up	134
1911	Altar in Sacred Heart Chapel built	134
May 1916	School renamed St Swithun RC School	134
23 May 1969	School transferred to Taswell Road, old buildings converted to Parish rooms	134
1972	Restored cost £20,000 floor levelled, new altar	134
Apr 1972	Bishop Worlock consecrated new altar	134
1983	Old Iron Chapel demolished and car park laid out	134
1976-2014	Rev Charles Arthur 1891-1892	1
	Rev John O'Donaghue 1894-1896	1
	Rev Albert Coughlan 1897-1904	1
	Rev Isidor Kuner 1905-1923	1
	Rev Patrick O'Leary 1928-1934	1
	Rev Patrick MacSwiney 1936-1948	1
	Rev Bernard Lindsay 1948-1966	1
	Rev Daniel Cogan 1967-1973	1
	Rev Daniel Cogan & Rev Killian Azzopardi 1976	1
	Rev Simon Thomson 2014	

Wilson Grove

1886	Nazareth House, in Wilson Grove (Barnfield)	1
1887	Barnfield , in Wilson Grove	166
1891-1892	St Helens , 10 Wilson Grove	1
2004-2006	Unnamed, 10 Wilson Grove	
1883	Nazareth House established in Lynwood House	
1886	Nazareth House, Home for Aged Poor & Orphan & Destitute Children	1
1887	Roman Catholic Orphanage, Lynwood, Wilson Road	166
1888	Margarett House , Home for the Aged and Orphans	165

Apr 1888 Transferred to Lawrence Road

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Papist Mass House

c1538

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Thalia

1859 Old Frigate in harbour used as Chapel of Ease to St
John the Evangelist
Rev William Woollett 1859

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The Little Company of Mary

Founded by Mother Mary Potter who lived in King Street Portsmouth from
1865 to 1877 with her mother and brother
Started the Rosary Rally with a march from St Johns to Victoria Park
1993 Group of Nuns whose order was founded by Mother Potter held their
eleventh peace rally

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Other Roman Catholic

16 Kingston Road, Our Lady And Christian Helpers

1987 Ex Lloyds bank converted into Tridentine Mass Chapel
27 Feb 1988 Opened
1988-2017

Meredith Road

Shed converted into 'Cathedral'
2012-2017 Priory Chapel of Our Lady of Beaulieu, cathedral church of
Bishop of Ecumenical Catholic Church UK. Attached to Congregation
of Brothers of the Merciful Love of God, Benedictine / Fransican
Father Julian Kent 2012-2017

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