

Parish Building and Maintenance Report 2024

St Thomas of Hereford

All the statutory inspections/maintenance tasks on St. Thomas are up to date (building inspection, electrical inspection, PAT, fire extinguishers, etc.).

The 'Safetytool box' online monitoring is up to date.

The outside of the church building and presbytery is in a sound state of repair.

Improvements to the outside lighting to the rear and the side of the presbytery will be done prior to the "darker evenings".

St Bede the Venerable

All statutory inspections/maintenance tasks on St Bede's are up to date. However, the building will soon be due its quinquennial building inspection as it is a Diocesan Church, although I do not anticipate any major issues.

The 'Safetytool box' online monitoring is up to date.

External lighting to the main entrance has been improved.

There are plans to replace the carpet in the area around the altar and the vinyl flooring in the sacristy/toilet. This will be done over the summer.

At the insistence of the Archdiocese, it will be necessary to have a Fire Safety Inspection done on the building. This is in the process of being arranged in the next few months.

The uneven parquet flooring remains an area of concern. While this is not perhaps an immediate safety issue, the fact is, that unless an affordable solution can be arrived at, the Church, or certain areas of it, will presumably become, over time unusable.