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All Saints Church, Radwell.

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This is quite a bijou ecclesiastical edifice, and may be regarded, both in its ancient form and its skilful modern renewal, as a model church for a population of 101 persons. Architecturally, when we have surveyed its eastern and western arches, and viewed its ancient font, we have seen nearly all its original features. But it is especially rich in monuments. On the south of the chancel we have the monument of Mrs. Plomer, the wife of the Lord of this Manor, the inscription on which tells a story which has been largely repeated in our county histories. On the north we have the monument to Sir John Parker, also a Lord of the Manor, with figures of himself, his wife, and son. At their feet is a brass to Elizabeth Parker, dated 1602. On the south side of the altar, below Mrs. Plomer's monument, is a brass of very great interest, that of a priest, richly vested, William Whittaker by name, who has the brasses of his father and mother on each side of his own; while in the nave we have again a brass with three figures, this time that of a layman (John Beal) between the brasses of his two wives. The manor of Radwell appears very frequently to have changed its owner. At the time of the dissolution it was the property of the Abbey of S. Albans, having been acquired for the monastery, according to Chauncy's history, by John of Wheathampstead. It then passed through numerous hands, the succession of which is given in Cussans's "History of Hertfordshire," till it came into the possession of its present respected owners, the Pym family.