

KENDAL CHURCHES Walk 1

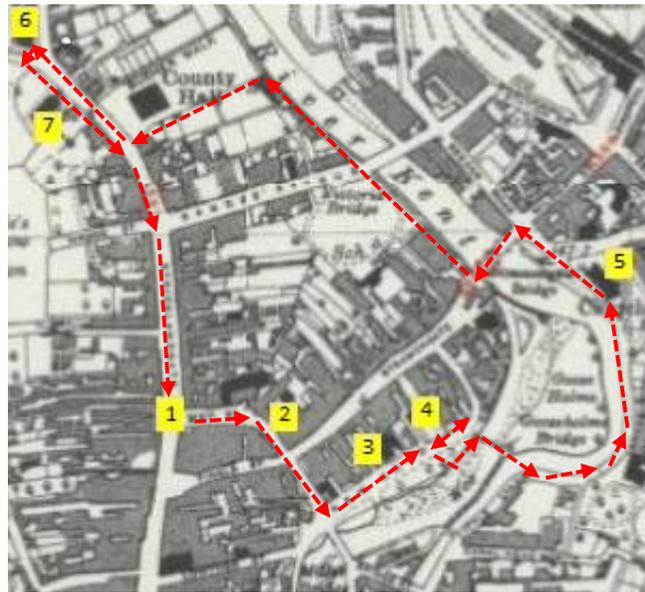
Start from the **War Memorial [1]** in the centre of town,



at the top end of the **Market Place**. Walk to the other end of Market Place. **The Unitarian Chapel [2]** can be found on the left at the top of the steep cobbled street, by going through some wrought iron gates.



The Unitarian Chapel dating from 1752 is discreetly hidden through the iron gates in a restful garden area. It is open on Sun- Wed- and Saturday am.



Go down the cobbled street **Branthwaite Brow**, past the Chocolate Shop on your left. Continue straight on down **Kent Street**. Turn left along **New Road** (large car-



park opposite on the right). **The Catholic Church [3]** is 100m on your left.

The Church of Holy Trinity and St George has an effigy of St George in front gable. It is a Grade II listed building. The many steps were to protect against former floods. Open 8-6 daily

Continue ahead and use the pedestrian crossing to find the **Quaker Meeting House [4]** on your left.

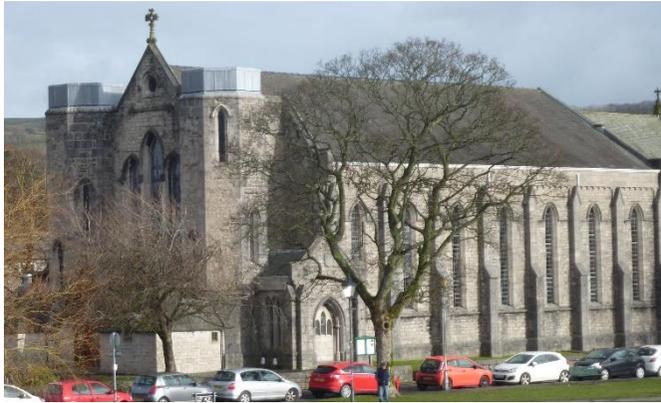


The present meeting house designed by Francis Webster replaced a former 1687 building in 1816. There were two large meeting rooms together accommodating 750 people. Since 1992 it has been the home of the Quaker Tapestry (completed 1996). Open 10-5 Mon-Sat.

Go back a little to cross **New Road** by the pedestrian crossings and walk a short distance left through the car park and use the pedestrian bridge to cross the River Kent. Turn left. This grass area is called **Gooseholme**. **St Georges Church [5]** is found at the far end. (illustration overleaf)

St George's is one of three Anglican churches in Kendal. Built in 1841 mainly Early English style by local architect

George Webster it originally had two 100ft octagonal towers at the west end. Owing to problems with foundations they were reduced in 1927 and 1978. Open on Sundays at other times unspecified.



Continue to **Stramongate** road bridge ahead, turn left and cross the river again. Take the path upstream along the river from the other end of the bridge. After crossing **Sandes Avenue** continue alongside the river but after 200m turn left through the car park alongside **County Hall**. Turn right along **Windermere Road**. **Stricklandgate Methodist Church [6]** is 200m ahead.



Preceded by a chapel on this site in 1808, the present building was completed in 1882 and could accommodate 800 persons.

St Thomas' Church [7] is on the opposite side of the road. Light-controlled crossings are available.



St Thomas' Church built by local architect George Webster, completed in 1837 is grade 2 listed Of stone and slate it incorporates a four-stage tower: lancet windows, a clock, and castellated parapet..

The return route is along **Windermere Road** using the same side as St Thomas' Church. Continue along **Stricklandgate** past the Carnegie Library to the **War Memorial [1]**

Map derived from OS 6" 1947



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Walk 2

Distance: 2.33km, 1.45miles

Height Gain: 14m, 45 feet

Time: allow 1,25 hours

Start: Kendal Market Place

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This is an ideal walk to appreciate the architectural heritage of the ancient town of Kendal, and to note its river and its unusual features, the yards.