

## St Thomas Belfast

St Thomas's church is situated on the corner of Eglantine avenue and the Lisburn Road. It has a square tower with spire containing a ring of eight bells.

The eight bells were donated by Robert Atkinson, a wealthy city merchant, who in 1899 went on to present Bangor Parish Church with a ring of eight bells. The full peal was first rung in September 1871.

The eight bells, in the key of E natural, were cast and installed by John Taylor & Co. of Loughborough, the treble weighing 6.1.3 and the tenor 20.0.9. The tenor carries the following inscription "*IN HONOREM DEI ET SANCTI THOMAS ME SEPTEM QVE SORORES MEAS ROBERTUS ATKINSON DE BEAUMONT IN HAC COMITATE ARMIGER HUIC ECCLESIAE DD AD MDCCCLXXI*"

In 1965 the front three bells were recast and the peal retuned to the key of E flat. The lighter peal (tenor 18.2.24) were rehung at a lower level in a steel frame.

## Bell Weights & Inscriptions

Below are the Weight of St Thomas Bells Belfast

### Original Three Trebles

	Cwts	Qrs	Lbs	Founders
<i>Treble</i>	6	0	22	Taylor
2	6	1	3	Taylor
3	6	3	9	Taylor

### Present Day Bells

	Note	Weight	Cast	Founders
<i>Treble</i>	E Flat	6cwt, 1qr 3lbs	1965	Taylor, Loughborough
2	D Flat	6cwt, 0qr 22lbs	1965	Taylor, Loughborough
3	C	6cwt, 3qr 9lbs	1965	Taylor, Loughborough
4	B Flat	8cwt, 0qr 0lbs	1871	Taylor, Loughborough
5	A Flat	9cwt, 1qr 6lbs	1871	Taylor, Loughborough
6	G	11cwt, 3qr 4lbs	1871	Taylor, Loughborough
7	F	14cwt, 0qr 9lbs	1871	Taylor, Loughborough
<i>Tenor</i>	E Flat	18cwt, 2qr 24lbs	1871	Taylor, Loughborough

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Original Three Trebles

<i>Treble</i>	<i>IB</i>	John Taylor & Co Loughborough 1871
2	<i>IB</i>	John Taylor & Co Loughborough 1871
3	<i>IB</i>	John Taylor & Co Loughborough 1871

Present Day Bells

<i>Treble</i>	<i>IB</i>	Cast 1871
	<i>W</i>	Recast (Founder's mark) 1965
2	<i>IB</i>	Cast 1871
	<i>W</i>	Recast (Founder's mark) 1965
3	<i>IB</i>	Ditto
	<i>W</i>	Ditto
4	<i>IB</i>	John Taylor & Co Loughborough 1871
	<i>W</i>	
5		Ditto
6		Ditto
7		Ditto
<i>Tenor</i>		IN HONOREM DEI ET SANCTI THOMAS ME SEPTEM QVE SORORES MEAS ROBERTUS ATKINSON DE BEAUMONT IN HAC COMITATE ARMIGER HUIC ECCLESIAE DD AD MDCCCLXXI