



Dating from 1684-85 this large Flagon is of plain design and traditional form of the Restoration period, with a fretted square terminal to handle.

Stamped with London assay hallmarks and makers mark, possibly for St John Hoyte, the prominent engraved inscription reads:

"This Flagon was bought in year of our Lord 1685. John Dikins/ William Munden /Church wardens"

CHURCHWARDEN'S FLAGON

At the time that this flagon was donated to St Mary Abbots church by its generous church wardens, Charles II (the Merry Monarch) who regained the throne after the Civil War had died and his brother, James II, became king.

Deeply unpopular for his Catholic faith, he was soon replaced by William and Mary of Orange. Wishing for better environment they made their home in Kensington, transforming the area and consequently the future of our church.

The pulpit in the church is reportedly a gift from William and Mary who worshiped here regularly.

