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D5/ & D5A/

Diocesan Records of Tuam, Killala & Achonry

c. 1613-2000

Introduction

Today the united diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry covers all of county Mayo, much of the counties of Galway and Sligo and a small portion of county Roscommon. During the Reformation, the bishopric of Mayo was annexed to the province or archbishopric of Tuam from 1569. Between the 17th and 19th centuries, Tuam was further united at various times to other smaller dioceses – to Kilfenora from 1661 to 1742, Ardagh from 1742 to 1839, and Killala and Achonry from 1834.

Small quantities of records representing Tuam's association with Kilfenora and Ardagh which were uncovered during the process of sorting the materials listed here, have been set aside for cataloguing at a later stage. In the case of the bishoprics of Killala and Achonry (united as one since 1622) the relationship with Tuam has been a more sustained one. Under the Church Temporalities (Ireland) Act 1833, Killala and Achonry were united to the archbishopric of Tuam from 1834, and five years later following the death of the Most Revd Hon. Power Le Poer Trench (1782-1839), who had served as archbishop since 1819, the dioceses were united as one to that of Tuam, Killala and Achonry in the province of Armagh. Trench's successors were thus bishops, not archbishops, and from this date Tuam lost its metropolitan status as a province in its own right. The Tuam-specific papers that are catalogued below as D5/ provide snapshots of evidence about the pre-1834 provincial role (with the odd survivals of papers for two archbishops (Bourke and Trench) in section 12/. as well as a run of registrar-related materials from the mid-18th century onwards in sections 14/ and 15/. For a full list of the Archbishops and Bishops of both Tuam, and of Killala & Achonry, see Appendix 1 below.

In spite of the "merger", Killala and Achonry continued to operate its own diocesan registry as a distinct and independent entity for a further 25 years until the unification of the two diocesan registries under the terms of the Ecclesiastical Courts and Registries (Ireland) Act 1864. And even when the registries were untied thereafter the papers reveal how both Tuam and Killala and Achonry maintained various levels of autonomy and independent decision-making, each with its own separate synods, councils and education structures, as well as printing separate annual reports until the latter half of the 20th century. These distinct arrangements have been adhered to in the archival arrangement of the papers, and as far as possible papers obviously created and maintained by the Killala and Achonry registry are listed together as D5A/.

Significantly, it is the Killala and Achonry part of the collection that is by far the oldest including the earliest document of the entire run being a case presented by the Most Revd Miler McGrath (1552-1622), Bishop of Killala, 1607-22 and of Achonry, 1613-22, & Archbishop of Cashel, relating to a diocesan claim on lands, c. 1613, and additionally several other documents relating specifically to lands, benefices, rentals and income of the diocese, 1658-1901, that may have been assembled as evidence of the extent of the dioceses in preparation for either the uniting of the bishoprics of Tuam, Killala and Achonry in 1834, or the later unification of the two diocesan registries in 1864 (section D5A/2). The Killala and Achonry section is further enhanced by a most revealing run of returns made to government from 1797 onwards that includes invaluable records documenting the diocesan response to the famine that afflicted many parts of north Connaught, especially Mayo, in the early 1820s (section D5A/7/7 and /8) and several returns revealing the rate of church building and repairs undertaken by the reforming and innovative Bishop James Verschoyle (1749/50-1834) – the last bishop of the diocese in its own right (e.g. D5A/1 and D5A/7/1-6) from 1811 until his death in 1834.

The archival resources that survive for both Tuam and Killala and Achonry are nevertheless relatively modest compared with two vast and separate diocesan collections that formerly existed

prior to 1922. Along with most of the records of the Irish dioceses up to and including the 1860s, the bulk were, as many researchers will know, tragically destroyed by fire during the civil war of 1922. A glance at the list of the records of the ecclesiastical records destroyed, as compiled by the Assistant Deputy Keeper of Public Records Herbert Wood in his *Guide to the records deposited in the Public Record Office of Ireland* (Dublin, 1919) provides insight to the array of administrative, testamentary, matrimonial and court papers, as they had been created by the two separate diocesan registries up to the mid-1860s, and then transferred to PROI. An electronic copy of the ecclesiastical sections of this *Guide*, easily searchable as a pdf, is available courtesy of Beyond 2022 here:

https://www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/AboutUs/library/WoodsExtractEcclesiastical.pdf

The loss of all of those records make what has survived in the custody of both dioceses and transferred in various caches of unsorted papers to the RCB Library since the mid-1980s all the more invaluable. Given that the list that follows below amounts to over 60 pages is testament to the conscientious record-keeping that continued in both registries, and the fact that some pre-1860s materials were not transferred but kept in local custody for administrative reasons. This seems particular true of by far the largest single section in the collection D5/10 being the miscellaneous papers relating to individual parishes, district churches and unions in the three dioceses of Tuam, Killala & Achonry, 1684-1980. Adhering to the united post-1864 registry arrangement, these papers have been maintained in alphabetical order, and give a good flavour of diocesan administration of individual parish units, including documents relating to clergy, such as nominations, installations and retirements from parishes, documents relating to property, such as consecrations of churches, formations of curacies and parochial districts, glebe inspection reports, and property rentals and sales. Given the arrangement by place, this section is likely to prove very useful to local historians but it should also be consulted by others wishing to get a sense of diocesan oversight of local clergy, property, financial matters and a host of other issues.

The Tuam collection (D5/) consists of 21 record groups, the first nine of which are volumes of pre- and post-Disestablishment records. The real meat of this collection is the run of papers relating to specific parishes, district churches and unions mentioned above, without any distinction of diocesan boundaries. The Killala and Achonry-specific materials are grouped at the end, as D5A/ and consists of a further 13 record groups.

Whilst the pre-1860s materials about bishops are very small (see sections D5/13 for Tuam, and D5A/1 for Killala and Achonry), the large collection of maps (D5/17) and the surviving operating papers of both registries (see section D5/14 for Tuam, and D5A for Killala and Achonry) provide a new and valuable body of evidence about how diocesan registries and their registrars conducted their business during the 18th and 19th centuries. Of particular interest in this regard and documented by the records of the Killala & Achonry registrars' papers in particular, is the familial succession of at least two generations of the Stock family, relatives of Bishop Joseph Stock. H. Frederick Stock Esq. the bishop's son, became registrar from 1799, and later shared the appointment with his nephew, the Revd Samuel Stock, the two being appointed jointly in 1830 (see D5/6/1). Bishop Stock was captured by the French on their invasion in the west of Ireland in 1798, and held prisoner in his palace. His account of this has been published, while further Stock manuscripts are available in NUI Galway (P10) and correspondence in Trinity College Library (Ms 947 & 948).

One particular registry document reveals that 1922 was not the first time that diocesan records from Killala and Achonry had been lost. Writing from his home address at "The Lodge, Killala" on 14 January 1811, William Palmer, Registrar of Killala & Achonry, responded to queries on the state

of public records, including diocesan papers, put to him by the Board of First Fruits Office, Dublin (Section D5A/7/5). In his handwritten return Palmer reveals how 'the records are kept in mahogany presses, and the building is the registrar's own private property'. He goes on to describe what he considered the indifferent state of the records that he had inherited from his predecessors which he attributed 'to the Rebellion of 1798', describing how they were literally trodden under foot: 'I was informed the House in which the Records were kept in the town of Ardnaree was broken open, and the books and papers thrown into the street, where very many of the were destroyed'. He was also concerned about the fact that the records tended to accompany successive registrars, with the result that there was 'no fixed place of preservation of them, in consequence of which they have been continually moved from one house to another in various parts of the dioceses'. Palmer's observations in the early 19th century capture a pattern in relating to recordkeeping that has inevitably continued in many Church of Ireland dioceses, with successive appointments of senior diocesan officials, not least the registrars, but also archdeacons, secretaries and others, records changing from one generation to the next, and with papers being moved from deaneries, rectories and elsewhere accompanying the relevant office-holders. During the 1960s the Very Revd Joseph Jackson (1884-1970), diocesan registrar for over 40 years from 1921 to 1965, who was also a keen local historian (as revealed in his personal papers which make up group D5/21 below) took it upon himself to transfer some materials to the Public Records Office of Ireland, during the 1960s.

Appendix 2 provides the details of the items transferred to PROI. However, following the appointment of Dr Raymond Refaussé as the Church's first archivist in 1984, he arranged for many of these items to be transferred to the RCB Library where they could be assimilated into first large tranche of diocesan registry materials transferred to the Library at that time, as authorised by the Diocesan Council on the recommendation of the Very Revd W.J. Grant (1929-2009) who was dean of Tuam and rector of Cong 1981-1993, and also served as archdeacon of the diocese from 1980. Dean Grant was encouraged and assisted by Mrs Brigid Clesham, a professional archivist based in Cong, whose interventions at local level helped to put some shape on a large and by then unwieldly accumulation of records and for making early lists and overseeing the safe transfer of several collections of the diocesan records between 1985 and 2000.

Early and invaluable attempts to group and list the growing and organic collection of diocesan records were made both by Mrs Clesham and Dr Refaussé, and a valuable and complimentary set of architectural drawings, including several diocesan glebe houses, were added to the Library's digitized online catalogue of architectural drawings, available here https://archdrawing.ireland.anglican.org/

For the body of the collection, with each new cache of papers from a different location, the job became more complicated and needed focused archival attention. Arising from ongoing discussions about a records management programme for the Church as a whole, and using Tuam, Killala and Achonry Diocesan Archive as a pilot project, the Library was allocated a specific fund by the central Church to engage the services of Arcline to systematically arrange the collection, building up a comprehensive picture of the record-keeping and archiving requirements of the diocese as they worked. Two archivists Alicia Cooney followed by Ciara Daly carried out this work from June 2019 and again in early 2020, supervised by the Librarian and Archivist, who also completed the work on the Killala and Achonry part of the collection. This was further enhanced by a specific project to catalogue the maps and plans (D5/17) undertaken by Bryan Whelan, Assistant Librarian. Finally, the historian Dr Miriam Moffitt who is so familiar with this region made invaluable editing comments. Thus spanning the course of 35 years, and involving several generations of professional archivists and librarians, it has truly been a team effort to at last share the detailed catalogue list that has been long-awaited by the wider research community.

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1. Title Books

- 1. 1665-1698
- 2. 1687-1711
- 3. 1711-1755
- 4. 1871-1891
- 5. 1871-1905
- 6. 1905-1919

2. Subscription Rolls

- 1. 1781-1805
- 2. 1783-1809 (Elphin)
- 3. 1784-1818
- 4. 1795-1818
- 5. 1800-1857
- 6. 1802-1822
- 7. 1822-1830
- 8. 1830-1836
- 9. 1836-1840
- 10. 1840-1848
- 11. 1847
- 12. 1847-1853
- 13. 1848-1865
- 14. 1859-1861
- 15. 1863 (Killala & Achonry)
- 16. 1865-1871
- 17. 1871
- 18. 1871-1876
- 19. 1876-1882
- 20. 1882-1888
- 21. 1889-1890
- 22. 1890-1912
- 23. 1913-1919
- 24. 1920-1923
- 25. 1923-1927
- 26. 1927-1931
- 27. 1932-1934

3. Visitations and Rural Deans' Returns

1/ Visitations

Note that in the RCB Library collection of visitations, there is one late 18th-century incomplete set of returns for the year 1782, which predates the earliest of six additional visitations that were salvaged from the Public Records Office of Ireland in 1922, and are today held in National Archives of Ireland, for the following dates: 1795; 1806; 1808; 1816-21; 1823 and 1825-38. The second and third items in the RCB Library collection below (for 1827 and 1837 respectively) fit in around these dates and are visitations proper. Thereafter, the run consists of rural deanery returns which are stitched together, but not bound as volumes.

- 1. 1782 [Loose returns completed by the ministers and church wardens, incomplete]
- 2. 1827 [Loose]
- 3. 1837 [Loose]
- 4. 1871-1874
- 5. 1875-1878
- 6. 1879-1882
- 7. 1883-1886
- 8. 1887-1889; 1891
- 9. 1922- 1926
- 10. 1931-1935
- 11. 1936-1940
- 12. 1941-1945
- 13. 1946-1958 [File of Incumbents Returns, 1946-1948]
- 14. 1947-1951
- 15. 1952 -1956
- 16. 1958- 1963

2/ Mandates Ordering Visitations

- 1. 1907
- 2. 1908
- 3. 1911
- 4. 1913
- 5. 1914
- 6. 1923
- 7. 1925

Includes Visitation Proxies, 1800-1826 and loose pro-forma documents for Rural Dean Returns.

4. Diocesan Synod Minute Books

- 1. 1870-1887
- 2. 1888-1924
- 3. 1903-1960

Note: For additional Synod materials, see section 16/ below.

5. Diocesan Council Minute Books

- 1. 1870-1875
- 2. 1875-1883
- 3. 1876-1880 (copy)
- 4. 1883-1902
- 5. 1902-1925
- 6. 1925-1950

Note: For additional Council materials, see section 16/ below.

6. Sub-Committee Minute Book

1. 1873-1882

7. Finance Committee Minute Books

- 1. 1882-1883
- 2. 1894-1929

8. Diocesan Reports

Note this is not a complete run, with gaps.

1/ Bound volumes

- 1. 1896-1900
- 2. 1880-1890
- 3. 1891-1900
- 4. 1901-1910
- 5. 1911-1920
- 6. 1921-1930
- 7. 1931-1940
- 8. 1941-1950

2/ Loose Reports

- 1. 1913-1914
- 2. 1914-1915
- 3. 1919-1920
- 4. 1920-1921
- 5. 1921-1922
- 6. 1922-1923
- 7. 1923-1924
- 8. 1925-1926
- 9. 1926-1927
- 10. 1927-1928
- 11. 1928-1929
- 12. 1929-1930
- 13. 1930-1931
- 14. 1931-1932
- 15. 1932-1933
- 16. 1933-1934
- 17. 1934-1935
- 18. 1935-1936
- 19. 1936-1937
- 20. 1937-1938
- 21. 1938-1939
- 22. 1939-1940
- 23. 1940-1941
- 24. 1944-1945
- 25. 1945-1946
- 26. 1950-1951
- 27. 1951-1952
- 28. 1952-1953
- 29. 1953-1954
- 30. 1954-1955
- 31. 1955-1956
- 32. 1956-1957

- 33. 1957-1958
- 34. 1958-1959
- 35. 1959-1960
- 36. 1960-1961
- 37. 1964
- 38. 1970-1971
- 39. 1974-1975
- 40. 1975-1976
- 41. 1976-1977
- 42. 1981-1982
- 43. 1983-1984
- 44. 1984-1985
- 45. 1987-1988
- 46. 2012-2013

3/ Loose typescript reports

- 1. 1957
- 2. 1961-1962
- 3. 1962-1963
- 4. 1963-1964
- 5. 1964-1965
- 6. 1965-1966
- 7. 1966-1967
- 8. 1968-1969
- 9. 1969-1970
- 10. 1971
- 11. 1974
- 12. 1975
- 13. 2000

9. Accounts

1/ Ledgers - General Income and Expenditure

- 1. 1871-1878
- 2. 1871-1881
- 3. 1871-1882
- 4. 1890-1917
- 5. 1891-1937
- 6. 1925-1935
- 7. 1882-1892

2/ Capital Account Book (includes tabular scheme of Poor Parish accounts)

1. 1871-1897

3/ Sustentation Account Book

1. 1871-1880

4/ Assessment Account Books (being parochial assessments including arrears)

- 1. 1873-1880
- 2. 1882-1889 (outsize)
- 3. 1895-1923

5/ Passbooks (recording various capital accounts and miscellaneous funds)

- 1. 1873-1895 (Assessment Accounts)
- 2. 1875-1899 (Parochial Accounts & Endowments)
- 3. 1902-1940 (Parochial Accounts & Endowments)
- 4. 1896-1917 (Diocesan Accounts eg Episcopal Fund etc)
- **5.** 1917-1933 (Diocesan Accounts eg Episcopal Fund etc)

6/ Account Book of Diocesan Office Expenditure

1. 1873-1879

7/ Diocesan Synod & Council Fund

1. 1874-1882 (note this is continued in the first Stipend Fund register below)

8/ Diocesan Council Account Books

- 1. 1880-1895
- 2. 1882-1891
- 3. 1892-1924

9/ Stipend Fund Account Books/Register

- 1. 1899-1924 (detailing Stipend Fund with Superannuation, Supplemental and the Synod and Council Fund) (outsize)
- 2. 1914-1942 (Stipend ledger, by parish) (outsize)
- 3. 1933-1940 (Stipend and superannuation register) (outsize)

10/ Auxiliary Fund Account Books

1. 1905-10 (two volumes, organised geographically by parish)

11/ Miscellaneous

1. Tabular account book showing the profit and loss of each parish, [linked with assessment?]

Undated but definitely late 19th century

10. Miscellaneous Papers Relating to Individual Parishes, District Churches and Unions, 1684-1980

This group is by far the largest single section in the collection and is partly the result of archival intervention, but principally based on a united diocesan registry system to gather materials relating to specific individual parishes, or parish unions, or in some cases specific district churches, created from the mid-19th century onwards in the united dioceses of Tuam, Killala & Achonry. In most cases there is a box of materials for each one, but in some cases (as indicated below) there is just a file placed on the top of the next available box. The collection which dates from 1684 (on account of materials of that date being in the Kilcommon parish collection) reflects registry interaction with specific places, and includes documents relating to clergy, such as nominations, installations and retirements from parishes, documents relating to property, such as consecrations of churches, formations of curacies and parochial districts, glebe inspection reports, and property

rentals and sales. Materials also include correspondence relating to church affairs such as clergy, property, financial matters and a host of other issues.

(Numbers to be inserted at a later date will correspond with boxes)

Box Number	Parish/Union/ District Church	Covering Dates; and or Specific Dates	Notes
	Aasleagh	1858-1932	
	Achill	1830-1964	Includes licence for the celebration of divine service in a premises known as the School House at Cashel, 1885.
	Achonry	1789-1930; 1963	For further Achonry materials, see the cathedral section below.
	Annaghadown	1778-1809 1847-1897	
	Arran	1851-1855 1871-1917	
	Athenry (In box with Aughower)	1769; 1783-1965	Includes report on the building of a public road to Lissanisky, with various parties mentioned, 1769; and the patent for appointment of Mark Perrin as Rector of Athenry, 1840-1874.
Folder	Attymass (In box with Athenry and Aughagower)	1773	
	Aughagower	1827-1847	
	(In box with Athenry)	(1827; 1847?)	
	Aughaval	1782-1800; 1824- 1850; 1851; 1947	Includes memorial with architectural drawing for improvements of Westport Glebe, 1851
	Balla	1819-1913	•
	Ballinacourty (In box with Ballinahinch, Ballinchalla, and Ballinlough)	1806; 1855-1889	
	Ballinahinch (In box with Ballinacourty, Ballinchalla, and Ballinlough)	1786; 1870	
	Ballinakill	1791; undated; 1820-1823; 1840-1965	Includes documents relating to part of the income of the deanery of Tuam being used to support the income of the incumbent of Ballinakill, undated, early 19th c.
	Ballinchalla (In box with Ballinacourty, Ballinahinch, and Ballinlough)	1811-1847 1870-1874	
	Ballinlough (In box with Ballinacourty, Ballinahinch, and Ballinchalla)	1825; 1844; 1862-1897	
	Ballinrobe	Box 1: 1834-1898 Box 2: 1900-1974	
	Ballisodare	Box 1: 1720; 1805- 1895 Box 2: 1904-1964	

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	Ballyconree	1853; 1869-1901	
	(In box with Ballycroy,		
	Ballyhane)	4057.4007	D. C. C. Li I.Di ei e. C.
	Ballycroy	1856-1896	Report of Parochial District of
	(In box with Ballyconree,	1965; 1976	Ballycroy, 1856
	Ballyhane)	1501 1001 1050	
	Ballyhane	1781; 1824; 1850-	Includes appointment of Thomas
	(In box with Ballyconree,	1880	Shankill, as Clarke, 1781.
	Ballycroy)		
	Ballyovie	1850-1937; 1967	
	(In box with Ballysakerry)		
	Ballysakerry	1802; 1804-1819;	The 1802 item is a return of
	(In box with Ballyovie)	1822; 1861-1925	Protestant families to Ballysakerry
			and Rathrea with names, residents
			and numbers of members of the
			Established Church. Includes
			appointment of Thomas Kirkwood
			and Francis Goodwood Esquires as
			churchwardens, 1811.
	Belcarra	1828; 1867-1906	
	Bucholla	1849	See Killedan
	Burrishoole	1778; 1782; 1797;	Includes licences of parish clerks and
		1825-1947	schoolmasters 1797, 1838, 1840,
			1851.
	Castlebar	1762-1961	
	Castleconnor	1804-1838	
		1866-1912	
	Castlekirke	1848; 1864-1922	
	(In box with Castlemore and	,	
	Claregalway)		
	Castlemore	1743; 1867	
	(In box with Castlekirke and		
	Claregalway)		
	Claregalway	1808-1868	
	(In box with Castlekirke and	1000 1000	
	Castlemore)		
	Cong	1768-1795,	
	~~~ <u>s</u>	1815-1973	
	Crossboyne	1823; 1843-1881	
		1966-1981	
	Crossmolina	1769; 1801-1911;	Includes list of candidates for
	(In box with Dromard)	1944-1965	confirmation 1778 and includes draft
	(III box with Diomaid)	1777-1703	commission concerning dilapidations
			of the glebe house, 1835
	Dromard	1814; 1822; 1826;	Titles of the Revd Lewis Potter
	(In box with Crossmolina)	1838;	
	Also see Rolls.	1867-1950	with item of correspondence
	71150 SCC ROIIS.	1007-1930	revealing he is Diocesan Registrar,
			1826.
			Baptisms and Burials in Parish of
			Dromard, 1871:-1872; 1879-1880;
			1883.
	Dugort	1848-1917	
	(In box with Dunfeeny)	1953-1955	
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	Dunfeeny	1794; 1810-1827;	
	(In box with Dugort)	1859-1922	
	Dunmore	1773-1797; 1837; 1838; 1869-1922	Extensive collection, including significant number of original deeds (some with original wax seals affixed) relating to Reverend Francis Browne 1784-1818; furthermore returns of denominations of land with landholders names alongside (for cess or rental purposes?) circa 1787-1792. Hand drawn map of arable and pasture land and bog land in Kilmacnally in Barony of Dunmore from 1746.
	Easkey	1802-1844	
		1878-1952	
	Emlafad	1775-1807;	
		1835-1930	
	Errislannon (In box with Errismore)	1855-1900	
	Errismore	1759; 1760; 1824;	-
	(In box with Errislannon)	1863-1888;	
	(III box with Elliominon)	1918; 1919	
Folder	Foxford	1774	
	Galway	1779-1786;	
	, and the second	1841-1975	
	Gurteen	1820; 1823	
	(In box with Headford)		
	Headford	1783-1922	
	(In box with Gurteen)		
	Kilcolman	1808-1922; 1964	Includes letter from former rector, Revd Joseph D'Arcy Sirr, about the parochial schools, 1855. See also
	Kilcommon	1684; 1775-1965	
	Kilcommon Erris (In box with Kilglass)	1848-1903: 1963	
	Kilconduff (In box with Kilconla, Kilmovee, Kilvine, Laccagh, Lackan, and Lisvalley)	1811-1909	
	Kilconla (In box with Kilconduff, Kilmovee, Kilvine, Laccagh, Lackan, and Lisvalley)	1831; 1836: 1913; 1939	See also Tuam
	Kilcummin	1808-1966	
Folder	Kilgeever	1805	
	Kilglass (In box with Kilcommon Erris)	1768; 1823-1943	
	Kilkerrin (In box with Killala)	1788; 1829-1952	
	Killala	1783-1928; 1965	Refer to petition and reply from
	(In box with Kilkerrin)		Bishop Poer Trench turning down an invitation to move the episcopal

	Killanin	1844-1917	residence to Killala, following the amalgamation of the diocese, 1834. Box includes specification for church and estimate of costs to be built at Knock in Killala Union.  Appointment deed of Richard Ekins as parish clerk, 1835.  Title Deeds and related material for Hill House, Killala bequeathed to the diocese by Hannah Kirkwood, 1907. For further Killala materials, see the cathedral section below.
	Killanly	1982	
	(In box with Kilmina,		
	Kilmolara, and Kilmoylan)		
Folder	Killascobe	1867-1872	
	Killaraght	1806-1917	See also Gurteen above
Folder	Killedan	1849	Titles of Revd Mark Foster, 1849.
	Killereran	1789-1886	
	(In box with Killoran)		
Folder	Killfree	1878	
	Killoran	1772; 1818-1904	
	(In box with Killereran)		
	Kilmacshalgan	1803; 1806; 1824;	
	(In box with Kilmactigue and	1879-1932; 1950	
	Kilmeen)		
	Kilmactigue	1769; 1801; 1802;	
	(In	1847-1897	
	box with Kilmacshalgan and		
	Kilmeen)		
	Kilmaine / Kilmainmore	1772-1943; 1964	Includes a letter from the Revd Francis [Lambert]-Rutledge outlining why he needs to live outside the benefice because the glebe house is in an unfit state, c. 1813.
	Kilmeen	1824; 1871	
	(In box with Kilmacshalgan and Kilmactigue)		
	Kilmina	1830; 1837;	
	(In box with Killanly,	1870-1891	
	Kilmolara, and Kilmoylan)		
Folder	Kilmocrean	1854-1861	
	Kilmore Erris	1761; 1826-1925	
	Killmoremoy	1763; 1841-1965	See also Crossmolina above
	Kilmolara	1833	
	(In box with Killanly, Kilmina, and Kilmoylan)		
	Kilmoylan	1818; 1851-1870	
	(In box with Killanly, Kilmina,		
	and Kilmolara)		
	Kilmovee	1808; 1868	
	(In box with Kilconduff, Kilconla, Kilvine, Laccagh, Lackan, and Lisvalley)	,	

	Kiltullagh	1825-1939	
	Kilvine	1824	
	(In box with Kilconduff,		
	Kilconla, Kilmovee, Laccagh,		
	Lackan, and Lisvalley)		
	Knappagh	1838-1960	
	Laccagh	1805;1823-	
	(In box with Kilconduff,	1829;1860-1863	
	Kilconla, Kilmovee, Kilvine,	,	
	Lackan, and Lisvalley)		
	Lackan	1806-1844	
	(In box with Kilconduff,		
	Kilconla, Kilmovee, Kilvine,		
	Laccagh, and Lisvalley)		
	Lavally or Lisvalley	1947; 1952	See also Tuam
	(In box with Kilconduff,	·	
	Kilconla, Kilmovee, Kilvine,		
	Laccagh, and Lackan)		
	Louisburgh	1796-1965	
	Mayo	1823-1921	
	(In box with Moore)		
	Monivea	1767; 1811-1966	
	Moore	1824-1871	
	(In box with Mayo)		
	Moylough	1795-1953	Includes interesting appeal by the
			licenced clerk and English
			schoolmaster, John Jones against the
			licenced Curate, the Rev Charles
			Grace and subsequent appointment
			of a new schoolmaster, Alexander
			Potter in June 1795.
	Moyrus Beauchamp	1782; 1854-1912;	
	Mana Dani Jatana	1966	_
	Moyrus Roundstone	1840-1964	T 1 1
	Omey (Oranmore in Box	1827- 1965; 1990	Includes rectory Plans and sketches.
	1804-1880)	1071 1070	
	Poulathomas Rahoon	1871-1879 1806;1844-1895	
Folder	Rathreagh (Rathrea)	1775	Copy agt of the western held at
roider	Kathreagh (Kathrea)	1//3	Copy act of the vestry held at Rathrea creating the union of
			Rathreagh with Dunfeeny, Kilbreedy,
			and Lack, 6 April 1775
	Renvyle	1853-1880	and Lack, 6 April 1773
	Ross	1844-1871; 1957;	
	1000	1965	
	Sellerna	1850-1914	
	Shrule	1853-1871	
	Skreen (Skryn, Skrun)	1757-1961	Includes memorial to the Bishop
	omeen (omyn, omun)	1/3/1/01	requesting the building of a new
			church 1804.
	Straid	1790; 1878; 1805-	Includes Rural Deans return 1878.
	Strate	1952	merades reara Deans return 1070.
	Tuam	1740; 1765; 1774;	First item is form of penance
	1 44411	1778;1808; 1839-	pronounced publically in the
		1770,1000, 1007	Cathedral relating to fornication,
L		1	Saurearan relating to refinication,

	1855; 1864-1924;	1740 with later explanation dated
	1882; 1945-1980	1936.
		Memorials and deeds of consecration
		for a burial ground for the Protestant
		inhabitants of St Mary's parish,
		Tuam 1882
		Also includes records relating to
		Tuam Cross 1960.
		For further Tuam cathedral materials, see
		the cathedral section below.
Tubbercurry	1835-1957	Includes returns of baptisms and
		burials,1850-1851.
Turlough	1835-1927	

# 11. Papers Relating to the Diocesan Cathedrals

Like the parishes and unions above, the diocesan registry's interaction with each of the three diocesan cathedrals is individually maintained below, as follows:

# 1/ Achonry Cathedral, 1794-1935

Files of miscellaneous materials, including documents regarding the Appointment of clergy as Deans, Archdeacons and Prebendaries in Achonry Cathedral, correspondence and Episcopal Mandates for 1867; 1876; 1879.

The table below gives a breakdown of the individuals involved:-

Name	Covering Dates	Notes
Very Revd Theophilus Blakeley	1824-1825	Appointment as Dean of Achonry and correspondence with Lord Bishop of Killala 1825. Fragile Wax Seal.
Canon Herbert James Macready Bryan	1935	Appointment as Prebendary of Killaraght and Kilmovee.
Very Revd William Greene	1821-1824	Appointment of as Dean of Achonry. Fragile Wax Seal
Very Revd Edward Newenham Hoare	1839-1850	Appointment as Dean of Achonry and correspondence concerning his appointment. Fragile Wax Seal.
Ven Thomas Kingsbury	1818-1846	Appointment as Archdeacon of Achonry.
Ven Theophilus Patrick Landey	1905	Appointment as Archdeacon of Achonry.
Canon James Little	1867	Appointment of as Prebendary of Kilmovee
Ven George Fitzwilliam McCormick	1915	Appointment as Archdeacon of Achonry.
Canon Charles Molloy	1929	Appointment as Prebendary and Vicarage of Ballisadare.
Very Revd Hon Harvey de Montmorency	1850-1872	Appointment as Dean of Achonry and draft institution and instillation mandate.

Ven Robert John	1902	Appointment as Archdeacon of Achonry
Noyes	1915	Appointment as Prebendary of Ballisadare
Alfred Audley Ost		
Canon Charles	1794	Appointment as Prebendary of Kilmovee
Seymour		and Vicarage of Castlemore.
Canon Edwin	1924	Appointment as Prebendary of Ballisadare
Symons		
Canon Alexander	1884	Appointment as Prebendary of Killaraght
Thomas		
Ven Joseph	1834	Appointment as Archdeacon of Achonry
Verschoyle		
Very Revd Thomas	1896-1914	Appointment as Prebendary of Kilmovee
Gordon Walker		1896, Dean of Achonry 1907 and
		correspondence from 1914.

# 2/ Killala Cathedral, 1770-1928

One box of materials comprising appointment deeds and/or resignation documents of various Deans, Archdeacons and Prebendaries of Killala Cathedral, with related various correspondence, Episcopal Mandates for 1867; 1876; 1879 and a Deed and Plan of renovation works on Killala Cathedral 1816 by James Pain, architect.

The table below gives a breakdown of the individuals involved.

Name	Covering Dates	Notes
Revd William	1770	Mandate to be prebend of Ardagh, signed
Garret		by Richard Arbuthnot, Registrar of Killala
		and "Samuel Tuam" [Rt Revd Samuel
		Hutchinson]
Very Revd James	1846	Appointment as Dean of Killala. Fragile
Collins		Wax Seal.
Very Revd	1907-1928	Appointment as Dean of Killala 1928, as
William Evans		Archdeacon of Killala 1911 and as Prebend
Colvin		of Ardagh 1907.
Ven Daniel	1904-1907	Resignation Letters and Formal Resignation
George Hayes		as Prebend of Ardagh and Archdeacon of
Croly		Killala.
Very Revd Hon	1817	Appointment and letter of installation as
George Gore		Dean of Killala.
Canon John	1875	Appointment as Prebendary of Lackan.
Ribton Gore		
Canon Brice Lee	1911	Appointment as Prebendary of Ardagh.
Jackson		
Ven William	1858	Appointment as Archdeacon of Killala.
Jackson		
Very Rev William	1903	Appointment as Dean of Killala.
Oliver Jackson		
Ven Henry	1850	Appointment as Archdeacon of Killala.
Edward Jolly		
Very Rend	1915	Appointment as Dean of Killala
Theophilus		
Patrick Landy		
Canon Edward	1875	Appointment as Prebendary of Errew
Lowe		

Very Revd	1935	Appointment as Dean of Killala
Charles Edward		
MacQuaid		
Canon John	1912	Appointment as Prebendary of Killanly
Robert Perdue		
Ven Arthur John	1935	Appointment as Archdeacon of Killala.
Pike		
Very Revd	1835	Resignation as Precentor of Killala and
William Skipton		Appointment as Dean of Killala.
Canon Samuel	1849	Appointment as Vicarage of Castleconner.
Stock		
Ven Charles	1903-1904	Appointment as Archdeacon of Killala and
Ormsby Wiley		Resignation letter as Archdeacon.
Canon Edward B.	1875	Appointment as Precentor of Killala.
Wood		
Canon Robert	1875	Appointment as Prebendary of Killanly.
Young		

# 3/ Tuam Cathedral, including materials on the Synod Hall and Henry Library

Very extensive collection depicting the many facets cathedral life within the diocese, as follows:

- 1. Clergy. Appointments, Resignations and Installations of clergy as Deans, Archdeacons and Prebendaries of Tuam Cathedral, 1779-1949; 1981.
- 2. Materials on architecture and maintenance of the building fabric. Includes, material relating to the maintenance, repairs and running of the Cathedral, cost breakdowns for heating and lighting, correspondence concerning the interior of the church and architectural drawings, sketches and reports by H. Fellowes Prynnes, concerning the construction and improvements to the Deanery 1957-1964.
- 3. Licences. Includes marriage licences 1859-1877 and the licences of ordained Ministers 1801-1868.
- 4. Correspondence between "CB Tuam [Bishop Bernard] and Dr Stainstreet, [? Director of Cathedral Music] and also a J. Crampton to Stainstreet, both concerning Crampton's young son Henry, joining the Cathedral Choir.7 April and 1 May 1875.
- 5. Mandates. Includes mandates for Visitations 1876-1882, mandates for the election of clerical and lay representatives to serve in the general Synod 1891, 1897, 1912 and mandates for the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Tuam 1869 & 1870.
- 6. Photographs. Includes photographs depicting the interior and exterior of the Cathedral, members of the clergy, stained glass, silver artefacts, boats and fishermen in Keem Bay in Achill, colour photographs of work in progress on the interior of the cathedral, and postcards of Alcock and Brown's Plane for the first transatlantic flight in 1919.
- 7. Printed Materials, including copies of drawing by J.J Waldron of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam, and copy of engraving of the arch incorporated in the Sanctuary Wall; an A3 Plan of the structural features and cathedral grounds, and printed welcome brochures for Tuam Cathedral.
- 8. 8. Lists of Synodsmen, 1878 & 1891.
- 9. Rotation of the residence of the Dean and Chapter, 1901, 1912, 1917, 1917
- 10. The Charlotte Elizabeth Luther Bequest. Correspondence relating to Tuam Cathedral 1959-1962.

- 11. Friends of St Mary's Cathedral, including member newsletters, balance sheets and cash books 1967-1980 [Cash Books Closed].
- 12. Diocesan (Henry) Library, includes negatives of the stained glass windows; catalogues and lists of books in 1886; 1912-1915; 1926; book loans by readers 1909-1911; 1944-1956; File of correspondence with the RCB Library, receipts of purchase of books, and file of material concerning loans to the National Library of Ireland 1963-1965. 1886; 1912-1966
- 13. Miscellaneous material concerning parish income and expenditure and correspondence from various clergy and enquiries from the public, includes specification and tender for an organ to be built, 1963. 1834 –c.1964; Undated.
- 14. Volumes, including handwritten book of burial inscriptions in the graveyard 1882; Handwritten notebook titled "History of Tuam Cathedral", c. 1960; Visitors Book 1948-1967 [Closed]

# 12. Episcopal Papers of the Archbishops and Bishops of Tuam, including the See House and Episcopal Endowments, 1735-1985

- 1/ Papers by or received by individual bishops, as follows:-
  - 1. Most Revd Hon. Joseph Dean Bourke (1735/36-1794), archbishop 1782-1794
    - 1. Letter from the Revd Saml Meade [then rector and vicar of Kilkerrin, Boyannah & Clonbern] describing the absence or poor state of churches in the diocese; recounting taking a service in a cabin, and calling for the construction of new churches, 14 Dec 1782
    - 2. Draft Petition for consecrating new churches as required in the diocese, 1789
    - 3. Draft inhibition sent to the Bishop of Killala & Achonry advising of the visitation he intends to carry out, undated

# 2. The Most Revd Hon Power Le Poer Trench (1782-1839), archbishop 1819-1839

- 1. Copy of a royal mandate appoint Poer Trench (1770-1839) as bishop of Waterford and Lismore 18 August 1802 with related correspondence about the Archbishop of Tuam conducting the service, c. 1802-03.
- 2. Draft direction concerning the spiritual welfare of clergy 1824
- 3. Order signed 'Power Tuam' to build new churches and glebe houses, 6 Feb. 1826
- 3. Petition signed by various Protestants in Killala town to the "Lord Archbishop of Tuam" with his detailed reply to same, the "Inhabitants of the ancient town of Killala and its vicinity" from "Poer Tuam", The Palace of Tuam, explaining why in spite of their invitation he is unable to establish the future residence of the Bishop of Tuam in Killala, 11 June 1834.

# 3. Rt Revd Thomas Span Plunket (1792-1866), bishop 1839-1866

- 1. Form of enthronement for the Bishop [rather than Archbishop] 1839.
- 2. Letter from the Bishop, 'Palace Tuam' to unknown correspondent (probably a diocesan officer) marked 'Private' relating to visitation fees and a curate 'Mr Brown', directing that he is now licenced he can officiate, as well as various other registrar business including procuration fees payable to the clergy of the diocese with 'returns as to visitations' attached listing various fees received for visitations and other legal matters by the late archbishop (Poer Trench) proxies, procuration, exhibits, between 1835 and 1838.
- Letter in the bishop's hand, signed 'Thos. Tuam', at the Hôtel 3. Byron, Villeneuve, Canton de Vaud [renowned Swiss health resort] to 'My dear Clarke' [Revd Benjamin James Clarke (1815-1871) Deputy Registrar during the 1840s]. Dated 2 Sept. 1842 the letter is detailed revealing the bishop's reliance on and friendship with Clarke. It covers various diocesan matters of business, appointments of clergy and their salaries; there is mention of the cathedral and chapter, presumably Tuam; references to Revds Galbraith and Rutledge, being other registrar officers, the bishop's expected appointment as an Ecclesiastical Commissioner, and finally requesting Clarke keep an eye on his house, and 'look what state my harness and saddles are in', adding 'I hope they keep a fire occasionally in the harness room'. This letter compliments another Bishop Plunket letter to Clarke two months later from Florence, catalogued as RCBL Ms 764].

# 4. Rt Revd Hon. Charles Broderick Bernard (1811-1890), bishop 1867-1890

- 1. Certificate of Assent and Consent, described on back as 'old declaration' of the Revd Hon C.B Bernard, then rector and vicar of Kilbrogan (Cork) dated 1 May 1842.
- 2. Draft agreement with Robert Henry of Toghermore Co. Galway, for office in Bishop's Street, Tuam, 29 December 1871.
- 3. Incomplete autograph letter from Schomberg Kerr McDonnell, Principal Private Secretary to Prime Minister Lord Salisbury, undated, but between 1888 and 1892, and other autographs.
- 4. Letter from the Revd the Earl of Mulgrave, Kylemore Castle, Galway, to Bishop Bernard requesting his permission to celebrate the Holy Communion and other services in the 'little church' built by Mitchell Henry, the builder and new owner of Kylemore, 5 October 1886.
- 5. Commission granting Very Rev. James O'Sullivan authority due to illness of Bishop, 7 Dec 1887

# 5. Rt Revd Hon. Benjamin John Plunkett (1870-1947), bishop 1913-

1. One file containing Documents relating to election and enthronement, including mandates, blank election ballots, and correspondence, and papers including the minutes of a joint synod of Killala and Achonry to elect the new bishop, 1913.

- 6. Rt Revd Arthur Edwin Ross (1869-1923), bishop 1920-1923
  Packet of election documents, including blank voting papers and scrutineers' returns. 12 Nov. 1919 15 Jan. 1920
- 7. Rt Revd John Orr (1767/68-1837), bishop 1923-1927
  File of documents relating to election, including mandate and packet containing synod information and blank voting papers.
- 8. Rt Revd John Mason Harden (1871-1931), bishop 1928-1931

  Documents relating to election, including mandate for election, election returns, and mandates for enthronement, and letter granting authority to Archdeacon of Achonry due to illness of Bishop. 13 Oct 1927 22 Sep 1931

# 9. Rt Revd William Hardy Holmes (1873-1951), bishop 1932-1938

- 1. Documents relating to election, including convening of synod and election returns, and mandate for the election of clerical and lay representatives to serve in the General Synod., and a copy of his death certificate, 7 October 1931, 2938 1933; 1938
- 10. Rt Revd John Winthrop Crozier (1879-1966), bishop 1939-1957

  Documents relating to enthronement, including mandate for installation in the cathedral in Achonry and program of ceremonies for enthronement in the cathedral in Tuam.

  2 Mar 1939 8 Mar 1939

# 11. Rt Revd Arthur Hamilton Butler (1912-1991), bishop 1958-1969

- 1. Documents relating to election and consecration, including convening of synod and program of ceremonies for consecration as bishop, 25 Mar 1958 27 May 1958
- 2. Typescript "Bulletin" of bishop's news, circulated from the Bishop's House, Crossmolina, June 1966
- 12. Rt Revd John Coote Duggan (1918-2000), bishop 1970-1985
  Documents relating to general church business, including correspondence, bishop's circulars, and rural dean's returns.

  23 Jan 1969 31 Oct 1985

## 2. The Palace/See House

1. Includes boundary map of the glebe land associated with the See House, 1876, glebe inspection reports, and related correspondence. Also, unusually the signed undertakings of two servants – one to dwell at the stable yard, and the other at the farm yard: Margaret Hopkins, 1900 and Gerald Dillon, 1912. 1876-1912

#### 3. Episcopal endowments

1. Includes correspondence between parishes and diocese and a report prepared for the diocesan council relating to episcopal endowments, 1874-1880.

# 13. Materials Concerning Diocesan Clergy, 1731-1960

The two boxes in this group contains an eclectic and very miscellaneous collection of papers relating to specific members of the clergy where at some point the united diocesan registry began to collate clergy-related materials by record type, as oppose to the

more helpful parochial arrangement reflected in group 1/10 above. An attempt at an alphabetical listing of same appears to have been made by the diocesan registrar, the Very Revd Joseph Jackson, see 21/below, which should be used in conjunction with this material.

# **BOX 1/**

- 1. Commission of the Venerable Charles Le Poer Trench L.L.D as Vicar General, 1825
- 2. Appointment of the Revd John Galbraith as Surrogate, 1821 and again in 1841 and 1846 and also as Vicar General, 1825; and later appointments of Revd Benjamin W. Eames and Revd John Less as Surrogate in 1847 and 1848 respectively.
- 3. Appointment of Revd James O'Sullivan as Archdeacon, 1890.
- 4. Diocesan Curate: Bishop's Letter appointing signed agreement of the Revd C. Burnell as Diocesan Curate, including terms 12 September 1914.
- 5. General orders to be observed by the Clergy belonging to the Dioceses of Tuam and Ardagh 1820.
- 6. Preachers Book of C.J. McDonald, Diocesan Curate of Tuam, (Covering services he conducted in several churches) 1892-1893.
- 7. Register of Resignations, appointments and licences of Curates made by the Synod, 1872.
- 8. Volume containing an alphabetical list of clergy, with full names and dates of various appointments, covering approximately the period 1731-1823.
- 9. Material relating to Rural Deans including lists, 1873, 1883, appointments, 1922 and miscellaneous correspondence concerning same 1923, 1960.
- 10. Letters Dismissory for years 1779; 1807; 1808; 1816; 1818; 1840; 1841; 1842; 1843; 1844 1845; 1846; 1847; 1848; 1849; 1850-1858; 1861; 1869; 1872; 1874; 1888; 1896

## Box 2/

- 1. Bene Decessit for years 1878; 1880; 1881;1885; 1888; 1889; 1894; 1898; 1899; 1904; 1905 1910; 1912; 1914; 1915; 1927; 1928; 1930; 1933; 1937; 1939; 1945; 1956; 1960; 1963.
- 2. Se Quis for years 1886; 1889; 1890; 1891; 1893; 1894; 1895; 1896; 1897; 1898; 1899;1900; 1901; 1902; 1903; 1904; 1905;1906; 1907;1908; 1909; 1910; 1912; 1915; 1918; 1919; 1925.
- 3. Letters Testimonial for years 1882; 1891; 1893; 1894; 1896; 1897; 1899; 1900; 1901; 1903; 1904;1905; 1906; 1907; 1908; 1909; 1912; 1914; 1915; 1938.
- 4. Appointments of clergy for years 1904; 1908
- 5. Resignations for years 1874; 1886; 1890; 1891
- 6. Nominations of clergy for years, 1844; 1871;1876; 1881; 1882; 1883; 1884;1885; 1886 1888; 1889 1890; 1891; 1905; 1909; 1960;
- 7. Presentations given to clergy for years 1791; 1869
- 8. Letters Recommendatory for years 1889; 1900
- 9. Correspondence from clergy concerning their nominations, 1887; 1888; 1890; 1891;1902; 1938.
- 10. Certificates of Assent and Consent for years 1868; 1869; 1871; 1872; 1873; 1884;
- 11. Licences for Chapel of Ease in Lavally 1834-1837
- 12. Letters of Orders for years 1755;
- 13. Form of Enthronement of Lord Bishop, 1839;
- 14. Commissions and Institution and Installations of clergy as Prebends, Archdeacons, and Vicar Generals 1814; 1847; 1875.
- 15. Testimonials and Declarations of members of the church 1782; 1823; 1825; 1847; 1861; 1869; 1877; 1885; 1891; 1930
- 16. Certificate of reading the Declaration of Assent 1876

- 17. List of Deacons ordained and Priests ordered 1853; 1882
- 18. Licences for years 1881
- 19. Commission to consecrate the Rev Alexander Arbuthuot as Bishop of Killaloe and Kilfenora, 1823.
- 20. Withdrawal of licence of Rev Edward Hardman as curate assistant of the Rectory of Ballyholla, 1834.
- 21. Physicians certificates for years 1842; 1844
- 22. Copies of Baptism records for various parishes for years 1864; 1867 and 1879.
- 23. Return of the Dignitaries, Prebends and Parochial clergy, resident and non-resident as per orders of the House of Commons 1805 with attached correspondence to the Archbishop of Tuam, Bishop of Killala and Lord Lieutenant, 1806; 1809; 1819. Also includes List of Incumbents in the Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry and dates of admission 1877 and General Observations and copies of queries
- 24. File of typescript subscription lists, undated.
- 25. Bundle of nominations and related parish to curacies in various parishes, 1870-84

# 14. Papers of the Registrars, Commissaries & Other Diocesan Officers, including those relating to the Diocesan Courts, 1756-1921

One box containing the following:

1. Commissions either appointing clergy as Diocesan Registrars or later cases the resignations of same, together with appointment of Commisaries. The table helps to give a chronology based on either dates of appointment or resignation.

Name	Diocesan Remit	Date
Revds Johan and Dudley	Commissaries to act for	1770
Ryder	the Archbishop of	
3	Tuam	
Revd Hugh Stafford	Registrar of Tuam	1787
Revd William Le Poer	Registrar of Tuam	1822
Trench		
Revd James Lancaster	Registrar of Tuam	1834
Revd William Fielding	Registrar of Tuam,	1891
Wilkinson	Killala and Achonry	
Revd Francis Walker	Registrar of Tuam,	Resigned 1904
	Killala and Achonry	
Revd Radcliffe P. Roe	Registrar of Tuam,	Note book which reveals his appointment
	Killala and Achonry	c. 1914 (see below)
Revd R.J. Lynn	Registrar of Tuam,	Resignation as Registrar, 1886
	Killala, and Achonry	
Revd Joseph Jackson (note	Registrar of Tuam,	1921
that additional materials	Killala and Achonry	
reflecting both Jackson's		
role as registrar and dean of		
Tuam, see section / below)		

2. Precedents for various commissions being draft template documents for different legal procedures and transactions 1756; 1811; 1830- 1855 (See section below).

- 3. Miscellaneous wills and legal cases as follows:
  - I. Extract from the citation of the 'Registry of the Court of Diocese of Tuam' relative to the cause of Martin Cullinan, Claregalway, tithe farmer, for lands within Oranmore, October-November 1827;
  - II. Original will and testament of the late Patt. McAneely, of Letterlough, Co. Mayo, who died 9 August 1834, with related probate papers, signed and sealed by his widow, Mary McAneely, and various others, proved in the Consistorial Court of the Archbishop of Tuam, 16 March 1836;
  - III. Original will and testament of Patrick Kilroy, of Looselawn, Woodford, Co. Galway, who died intestate 30 April 1866, proved 12 December 1881;
  - IV. Probate papers related to the late Thomas Clarke, formerly of Mount Shannon, Co. Galway, farmer, who died on 17 March 1878, proved through the Probate and Matrimonial Division of Tuam District, 6 August 1880
  - V. Probate papers related to Thomas Lally, late of Athymon, Co. Galway, who died on 13 February 1881, proved through the Probate and Matrimonial Division of Tuam District, 21 February 1882
  - VI. Probate papers of the late Bridget Morris, of Eden, Co. Roscommon, who died 17 July 1881, proved 29 March 1883
  - VII. Probate papers related to Michael Higgins, of Clonbur, Co. Galway, who died 21 May 1881, proved August 1882
  - VIII. Probate papers related to Timothy Lynch of Graignlorha, Co. Galway, and also papers concerning a later Lynch family settlement, 1881
    - IX. Probate papers related to Julia White, late of Castlrea, Co. Roscommon, who died 25 June 1882, proved 23 October 1882.
- 4. Correspondence and tables of fees for work completed by the registrars and other officers including fees for the consecration of churches and for visitations, as well as accounts of fees for various services provided by the registry, 1835; 1865; 1881.
- 5. Materials relating to cases in the diocesan court, including correspondence from John Staples Swift Esq, 1 Henrietta Street, Dublin to Benjamin J. Clarke, Deputy Registrar, Tuam, with attached copy letter to Swift from John Ibbitson Proctor of Doctors Commons, London concerning matters in the court, 1847; Two copies of the 'List of the fees of the constitutional courts of the Dioceses of Tuam, Killala, Achonry arranged and inspected by Jasper Robert Joly Esq, A. M Vicar General and approved by the Right Honourable and Right Reverend Thomas Lord Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry', 1850; Appointment of Chancellor of the United Diocese of Tuam, the Honourable Frederick Richard Faulkiner, 1891; Lease for Tenants on Lough Corrib, 1884; Record of admission of Proctor for the Consistorial Court of the Diocese of Tuam 1852-1870. Furthermore includes; envelope of correspondence and fees concerning case between Bishop John Winthrop Crozier, D.D, and the Revd Ralph Stanley Judge, B.A. 1946-48. 1847-1948.
- 6. Notebook created by the Revd Radcliff P. Roe, The Rectory, Athenry, as Diocesan Registrar in 1914, containing correspondence which reveals the safe transfer of legal documents and registry material from the archdeacon of Killala & Achonry, the Ven. J. Landy, some on headed stationary 'United Diocesan Registry, Tuam', and later correspondence and notes when the book is inherited by Roe's successor, the Revd Joseph Jackson. The volume lists legal queries and decisions, 1877-1934.

7. Miscellaneous registry printed materials including blank forms such as book of entries, court books, minute books and visitation books, petition for commission of dilapidations and draft templates for legal procedures and transactions

Undated, 19th and 20th centuries.

# 15. Registrars' Returns and Ecclesiastical Reports

1. Materials relating to Church Repairs and Rebuilding including many pro-forma circulars received from both the Board of First Fruits and later Ecclesiastical Commissioners

Comprises a set of circulars of the Board of the First Fruits. Includes Orders agreed upon by the trustees and commissioners of the First Fruits, 1795; Appointment of Architects, correspondence from Isaac D'Olier, Secretary concerning the Appointment of Mr John Bowden as Architect, 3rd November 1810. Orders and Regulations agreed upon by the trustees and commissioners of the First Fruits payable out of the Ecclesiastical Benefices of Ireland, 1811; Circular dated 4th November 1811 concerning fund for the Aid of Churches, Material concerning Church Loans 1824, multiple copies of circular titled Regulations of the Architects Department; Table titled Scale of Scantling for framed roofs of churches, Circular outlining instructions for Parishioners on how to receive a "Loan [...], for the purpose of enabling them to erect, rebuild or enlarge their Church". 1795, 1810, 1811, 1824. Also a set of circulars issued by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for Ireland. Includes Instructions for procuring a faculty for repening churches, 1836-39 and undated;] and those calling for estimates to make repairs and extraordinary repairs to churches 1837, many of them addressed to the Revd John Galbraith, Tuam, together with the actual estimated returns complete for the churches at Tuam, Kinconla and Lavally, including the handwritten invoices for itemised repairs submitted by Matthew O'Flanagan, Builder, as submitted to George Papworth Esq. Provincial Architect, Dublin, January-April 1839, with additionally a blank contract to instate Ecclesiastical Commissioners; and a blank form relating to glebe houses, undated.

1795-1839, and undated

#### 2. Poor Parishes

Accounting for parishes or districts, names of officiating clergy or missionaries, whether the service held in English or Irish, totals of protestant parishioners (from birth or "converts"); numbers of schools, daily average attendance, and observations and Correspondence 1851-1853; 1874-1884; 1908

#### 3. Preachers' Books Returns

Handwritten and typed returns of preachers books, including the numbers of people attending service, preachers' names, collections, etc. Also included a file of undated returns, lists of preachers in various parishes and related miscellaneous papers, organized in two boxes, by parish, for the following years:

Box 1: 1863-1869; 1865; 1874; 1869-1870; 1870-1871: 1871-1872; 1872-1873;

Box 2: 1873-1874; 1874-1875; 1875-1876; 1876-1877; 1877-1878; 1879-1880; 1881-1882; 1882-1883; 1883-1884; 1884-1885; 1885-1886; 1888-1889.

[Note there are also dedicated books for the parishes of Colooney, 1881-82 and Errislanan, 1877-78].

## 4. Ecclesiastical Returns

Large outsize tables comprising returns for each of the three dioceses in the Archdiocese of Tuam, each of which was required to make a detailed return of the benefices, with and without churches and glebe houses, in response to the request of John Armagh, Archbishop Beresford,

for a return of the 'want of the Church of Ireland'. Undated but mid-19th century

#### 5. Benefices

Return of all lands and houses belonging to the Church of Ireland for the diocese of Tuam only, possibly related to above, giving the extent of the land, rents payable, details of leases, including lands belonging to the dean and chapter of Tuam.

Undated, but must be 1850s

#### 6. **Benefices**

Account of annual net value of benefices 1868

#### 7. **Public Records**

Miscellaneous returns on the public records comprising diocesan and other collections in the custody of the united diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achory as assembled in response to official requests by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners; Keeper of Public Records; Church Temporalities Commission and Public Record Office.

1871-1875

8.

Schedules of returns accounting for benefices in Tuam and Killala only, including details on clergy, and showing amendments where churches had closed Undated, but post-1872

#### 9. Commutation

**Benefices** 

Box containing extensive Commutation returns for benefices in the post-Disestablishment era 1873

# 16. Other Volumes & Papers of the Registry and/or the Diocesan Office, 1765-1976

This section has been arranged alphabetically by subject

#### 1. Architect

File of routine correspondence relating to various diocesan architects, mostly with R.J Kinkead, Diocesan Secretary. Includes suggestions for defining the duties and remuneration of the Diocesan Architect and correspondence concerning travel expenses of same. 1872-1873.

# 2. Bequests and Trusts

File of material concerning various diocesan bequests and trusts. Includes extensive items on the Ellis Estate as well as materials for the Lady Hutchinson Bequest for Clergy Widows, 1827; the Revd Thomas Sutton Trust 1821, the Letitia Lady Bingham Charity 1824, the Lord Ardilaun Benefaction to the Diocese of Tuam, 1914 and The Esther Marley Bequest 1951, The Roger Palmer Charity 1914-1976, and several others. 1765-1976

**3. Burials** (*Note further information on burials and burial grounds at D5/19/4*) Extensive files of material concerning returns on burial grounds, and includes the following:-

Petition to build a vault and exhume bodies at Ardnaree churchyard, 1877;

Correspondence relating to Leigue burial ground in Kilmoremov in Ballina 1932;

The consecration of a burial ground in Kilglass in Sligo in 1943;

Note and drawing of Kilmcshaglan burial ground 1948, correspondence and photographs concerning the death and burial of Mrs Lennon, widow of Rev Landon Lennon of Rabbit Island, Lough Corrib 1955-1961;

Detailed returns with correspondence to a diocesan-commissioned questionnaire on burials grounds, 1960-61.

Undated plan of Claregalway cemetery.

Other miscellaneous correspondence.

1824-1827; 1857; 1877; 1932; 1943-1962, undated

# 4. Central Emergency Fund.

Correspondence concerning the Central Emergency Fund set up so laymen can appeal for funds from parishioners of their local churches. Includes outline of how the fund will be established. 1920.

#### 5. Church Officers' Returns

Giving details returns of churchwardens, members of select vestry, treasurers, synodsmen, and parochial nominators, for each parish (Boxed together, in four volumes and then loose) 1871-1925

#### 6. Churchwardens.

File of citations and lists of Churchwardens.

1790; 1816; 1824-1825

# 7. Coat of Arms

Draft artwork for the diocesan arms of Tuam, Killala & Achonry, unfinished and undated

#### 8. Confirmations

- 1. Bound Register of Confirmations undertaken from 1913-1930.
- 2. Loose returns of Confirmation participants 1957-1958 and 1973-1976.

# 9. Diocesan Secretary's Form Book

Volume containing routine printed circulars and guidelines to all diocesan secretaries, mostly issued by the RCB

Undated, post 1871

# 10. Fees

File of material relating to accounts of net amounts, stipends received, and endowments received. Includes table of fees for services completed, Glebe Accounts and Parochial Endowments for Tuam Union 1957.

1822; 1908-1913; 1961-1962.

#### 11. Glebes

1. Minute books

1915-45

1945-61

2. Account Books

1899-1957

1933-1946

1952-52 (Killala only)

3. Loose papers 1869-1964

# 12. Marriages

File of Marriage licences, forms for special marriage licences and list of parishes where licences may be issued.

1853-1901; 1952-1964.

# 13. Photographs

Two black and white photographs of the interior of a sanctuary of an unidentified church Late 19th century?

#### 14. Nominations

- 1. Board of Nomination Minute Book 1871-1904
- 2. File of materials relating to parochial nominators, including lists and declarations, (some signed), and other blank pro-forma items relating to both lay and clerical nominators 1923, 1947; 1950; 1951; 1952; 1957

#### 15. Records and the Diocesan Archive

Miscellaneous correspondence between the diocese and the Librarian and Archivist, Dr Raymond Refuassé, and also Mrs Brigid Clesham, concerning arrangements to transfer the diocesan record collection to the RCB Library 1985-2000

# 16. Statutes and Standing Orders

Statutes and Standing Orders for the Ecclesiastical Government of the Synods and Diocese 1878, revised 1890, 1927 and 1948 together with a file of loose papers concerning the united diocesan synod for Tuam, Killala & Achonry, 1871-77; 1961

#### 17. Sustentation Papers

Box 1873-1922

# 18. Synod-related loose papers

Two boxes of miscellaneous materials including the Episcopal mandates of the Lord Bishop for the election of representatives to serve in the General Synod, 1886; Triennial election papers concerning instructions for election 1928, 1945, 1950; the minutes of the joint synod held to elect a bishop, 1913, Commission to hold a Diocesan Synod 1877, Mandates for triennial election of parochial nominations, 1903, 1908, 1909, 1912, 1924, Order of proceedings for Synod, 1896, 1910, 1945, outlining how the united diocese of Killala and Achonry will meet the legislation passed by the synod, 1921. 1886-1925.

# 19. Vestry Reports

1871-1883

# 17. Maps & Plans, with related materials, 1753-1873

Arranged in four main groups, as follows:

# 1/ Glebe Maps

A collection of glebe maps, organised alphabetically by area name. The vast majority of the maps in this collection were composed in the 1850s (primarily in 1855-6), although the full range is from 1754 to 1873. While the collection is composed primarily of original material, there is also a substantial amount of (undated) copies.

# 1. Annaghdown

'Map of Glebe Land in the County of Galway, Barony of Clare and Parish of Annaghdown, for the Reverend John Cather. Map shows glebe land measurements. 56.5 cm x 44.3 cm

James Hannen, surveyor

October 1847

# 2. Annaghdown

'Annaghdown Glebe, Tuam Diocese'. On tracing paper, this map is based on Galway O.S. 70 and shows Nineacres, Slieve Fin, Drumbaun, and Barravilla, as well as glebe land measurements.

23.5 cm x 36 cm

Hodges Foster & Co, surveyors

Undated

# 3. Ardcotten

'Ardcotten Glebe, Ballysadare Parish, in the Diocese of Tuam & Killalla'. The maps shows Rinn and contains glebe land measurements.

56.3 cm x 66.5 cm

William Cochrane, surveyor

March 8, 1856

## 4. Aughadooey

'Aughadooey Glebe, half mile to Newport'. This map shows reference to Burrishoole Abbey and contains the glebe land measurements. It is executed in pencil on very thin tracing paper.

21.6 cm x 27 cm

No surveyor information

Undated

# 5. Balla

'Map of Glebe Lands at Balla'. Map contains land measurements for three glebes: South Glebe; Glebe Plot west of the Street of Balla; and North Glebe Farm 'held presently by Mrs Flanagan'. The map shows the front elevation of the school house and makes reference to 'Sir Roberts'.

54 cm x 45.6 cm

John Vousden, surveyor

June 1856

# 6. Balla

'Balla Glebe, Diocese of Tuam'. On tracing paper, this map shows glebe land measurements and refers to Ballina and Ballyrourke.

44.8 cm x 29.8 cm Hodges Foster & Co., surveyors Undated

#### 7. Balla

Untitled glebe map on tracing paper showing lands in town of Balla, Tuam Diocese, Co. Mayo. The map shows reference to land belonging to Sir R[ichard] Blosse, Mr Waldron, Fair Green land, and location of the school house, with a drawing of the front elevation.

#### 8. Ballinrobe

'The Glebe House Plot of Ballinrobe'. Shows front elevation of house and various buildings. References canal of River Robe, and land belonging to Mr Kenny. 45.4 cm x 45.8 cm John Vousden, surveyor January 1856

#### 9. Ballinrobe

'The East Glebe of Ballinrobe'. Map contains reference to 'English Church Yard' and 'Counsellor Cortneys' as well as land measurements.

46.5 cm x 45.4 cm

John Pousden, surveyor

January 1856

# 10. Ballinrobe

'West Glebe of Ballinrobe'. Mentions Carrownalecca and land measurements 45.3 cm x 45.9 cm John Vousden, surveyor January 1856

# 11. Belcarra

'A map of the glebe land at Belcarra, surveyed for the Reverend R.W. Maxwell'. Shows 'front view' of church and vicarage, along with land measurements. Map references lands of Thomas Joyce to the north.

56.6 cm x 46.6 cm Surveyed by John Vousdan. June MDCCCLVI [1856]

# 12. Burrishool

'Burrishool Glebes, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 67'. This tracing paper sheet contains two different maps: Aughadoocy Glebe and Killeen Glebe and refers to Kiltarnag, Carrowkeel, Drumbrastle West, Rosheen North, Carrowbeg North, and Newport Bay as well as the glebe land measurements.

50 cm x 37 cm No surveyor information Undated

## 13. Claretuam

'Map of the Glebe of Claretuam made for the Revd. Charles H. Seymour, Provost and Vicar of Tuam'. Map shows 'Mr Treacy's House' and glebe land measurements 55.8 cm x 44.5
James Byrne, surveyor

Tuam March 2, 1857 and surveyed December 1855

# 14. Cloonakeepa

'Glebe Lands of Mayo'. This map shows four areas: Cloonakeepa, Middle Glebe, Marsh, and Church Glebe and shows land belonging to Dominick Browne, Martin Kirwan, and Lord Sligo, as well as the 'Old Abby' and glebe land measurements.

41 cm x 53.8 cm

Francis McGreevey, surveyor

1823

# 15. Cong

'Terrier of the Glebe and Parish of Cong [for] Revd E.L. Moore, Rector'. Refers to Toneleeane, Gurtaroe [Gortaroe] Creevagh, and lands belonging to 'O. Elwood, Esq.' Shows front elevation of the house and glebe land measurements. [see also map 55 of Nymphsfield below]

48 cm x 59 cm

No surveyor information

November 14, 1855

#### 16. Coolroe

'Coolroe Glebe'. Map shows Derry as well as glebe land measurements.

45.5 cm x 55.8 cm

Nicholas and George W. Belle, surveyors

December 1855

# 17. Crossboyne

'A map of Crossboyne glebe'. Map features references to Derry, Castlemagarret, Burris, Ballindine, Hollymount, and Claremorris. The map features land measurements and contains reference to 'plantation claimed by the Revd. Robert Brown as part of Glebe or Bishop's Land'. There is also a handwritten note at the bottom of the map by Revd Brown explaining his position as to the land claim.

45.8 cm x 55.7 cm

Nicholas & George W. Belle, surveyors

December 1855

# 18. Crossboyne and Coolroe

'Crossboyne and Collroe Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 111'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Derry, Castlemagarrett Park Old, Burris, and Robe River. It also shows the glebe land measurements and the location of the school house and church.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

## 19. Cummer

'The Glebe of Cummer, the property of The Reverend Benjamin J. Clarke in the County of Galway'. Map shows Clough and glebe land measurements.

34.4 x 48.6 cm

James Byrne, surveyor

May 1855

#### 20. Dunmore

'Dunmore Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 17'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Moneenpollagh, Baunoges North, Breanra, Abbeyland South, Abbeyland North, Sion Hill, and the school house, as well as the glebe land measurements. It also shows an enlarged plan of the house, garden and curtilage.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

# 21. Easkey

'Easkey Glebe, Diocese of Tuam & Killalla'. Commissioned by 'Vicar Revd Edward Wood', this map shows the location of the church.

51.6 cm x 57.3 cm

William Cochrane, surveyor

December 27, 1855

# 22. Emlaghfad

'Emlaghfad Glebe'. Commissioned for Revd Arthur Moore, this map shows Kilnaghan, Tiereboy, Woodfield, and Maghera as well as glebe land measurements.

45.8 cm x 55.5 cm

John Beatty, surveyor

1856

## 23. Headford

'Map of Headford Glebe ... for the Revd Dean [Robert] Plunket'. Map is black & white and in pencil, and shows the front elevation of the house along with the glebe land measurements.

56.3 cm x 49 cm

Michael Burke, surveyor

May 1856

#### 24. Headford

'Headford or Kilkilvery Glebe, Tuam Diocese, Galway O.S. 42'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Pollaccullaire and Racepark, as well as the glebe land measurements. It also shows an 'enlarged plan of house division'.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 25. Kilbennan

'A map of the Glebe of Kilbennan for the Revd Charles H. Seymour'. Contains reference to Poulacurrigoon, Townleagee or Windfield, and Ballygaddy. Shows location of both Church of Ireland and Roman Catholic churches as well as land measurements.

56 cm x 43.6

James Byrne, surveyor

July 1856, surveyed December 1855

## 26. Kilbennan

'Kilbennan Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 29'. This map, on tracing paper, shows the location of church (in ruins) and graveyard, and refers to Pollacorragune, Ballygaddy, Tonlegee as well as containing the glebe land measurements.

45.9 cm x 30 cm No surveyor information Undated

#### 27. Kilcolman

'Map of Kilcolman Glebe'. Map references Claremount, Claremorris, Mr Keogh's Field, Mr Gray's Field, and Revd Moore's field, as well as land measurements.

46 cm x 49 cm

No surveyor information

Undated

#### 28. Kilcommon

'A map of Kilcommon glebe, situate[d] in the County of Mayo, [for the] Revd W.R. Smith, incumbent, made on the basis of the Ordnance Survey'. Features sketch of front of house along with land measurements. Map references areas Lugatallin, Brittas, and Creggawatta.

55.8 cm x 45.8 cm

No surveyor information

1855

#### 29. Kilcommon

'Kilcommon Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 111/119'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Creggawatta, Brittas, and Lugatallin and the glebe land measurements. There is a section of the map that shows the house and curtilage in greater detail.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

# 30. Kilconla

'Kilconla Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 15'. This map, on tracing paper, shows Blindwell and Ballynagittagh, and contains glebe land measurements.

45.5 cm x 31.7 cm

Hodges Foster & Co.

Undated

# 31. Kilconley

'Map of the Glebes of Kilconley for The Revd. Charles H. Seymour'. Map references Ballinagittagh/Ballynagittagh, Blindwell, Beagh, and Ironpool and shows the North Glebe, South Glebe, and Church Yard as well as land measurements.

56 cm x 46 cm

James Byrne, surveyor

Tuam July 1856, surveyed December 1855

# **32. Kilcummin** (two copies)

'Kilcummin Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 54'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Lemonfield, Rushveala, Billymore, and Carrowntober, as well as the glebe land measurements. It also shows an enlarged plan of the house & curtilage.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 33. Kilkerrin

'Map of Kilkerrin Glebe situate[d] in the County of Galway, [for] Rev. John Kerr, Rector'. Map shows Lehinch, Slieveroe, Kilcornan, as well as the school house and glebe land measurements.

55.6 cm x 45.9 cm

Made on the basis of the Ordnance Survey by Hodges, Smith & Co.

1855

# 34. Kilkerrin

'Kilkerrin Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 31'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Lehinch, Slieveroe, and Kilcornan as well as the glebe land measurements. It also shows an enlarged plan of the house, garden, and curtilage.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 35. Kilconduff

'A map of the Rectorial Glebe of the Parish of Kilconduff, Part of the Lands of Rathscanlon now occupied by the Revd. B.W. Eames, 1856'. Map shows Revd B.W. Eames's lands, James Burke's holding, Revd Bryan Durkan's holding, John Kyle's farm, lands 'surrendered by James Burke', Thomas Groark's farm, workhouse land, and James Burke's plot, as well as glebe land measurements

47.1 cm x 56 cm

Richard Betagh and Sons, surveyors

1856

#### 36. Killeen

'Killeen Glebe, five miles from Newport'. This map is drawn in pencil on very thin tracing paper and shows the location of the graveyard, as well as the glebe land measurements.

13.2 cm x 21.3 cm

No surveyor information

Undated

## 37. Killereran

'Map of the Boundary of the Glebe of Killereran made for the Revd William Lepoer French, D.D. Map shows Hillsbrook, Lisavally, and school house, as well as land measurements.

56 cm x 45.8 cm

James Byrne, surveyor

August 1856

#### 38. Killmaclassar

'A Plan of Glebe Land (in the townland of Rushbrook) commonly called Killmaclassar, Union of Westport, Diocese of Tuam'. Shows Cloher Lough and glebe land measurements, as well as position of church (in ruins) and graveyard.

56.9 cm x 48.8 cm

George Walsh

December 31, 1855

# 39. Kilmackshalyon [known as Kilmachalgan]

'A Map and Survey of the Glebe of the Parish of Kilmackshalyon in the Barony of Tireragh and County of Sligo. Dioceses of Killala & Acconry [sp] ... Said glebe is in the possession of the Revd William Grove, Rector of said Kilmackshalyon and Templeboy'. Map refers to Ballyglass/Pulmer, Doonbeakin, and Belville and contains glebe land measurements.

56.9 cm x 48.8 cm Matthew Folan, surveyor December 6, 1855

# 40. Kilmacteigue

'Map of the Glebe Land and School House Plot of Kilmacteigue in the Barony of Leyny and County of Sligo'. Shows location of church, Roman Catholic chapel, and school house as well as glebe land measurements.

48.1 cm x 58.5 cm C. Layng, surveyor 1856

# 41. Kilmactigue

'A Map of KillmcTeige ... filed in Registry 10 July 1875 ... by order from Hugh O Donnell, Esq'. On tracing paper, shows Athclare, Killure, land of Henry Harte & Partners, Gillaiveyo Park.

 $30\;cm\;x\;37\;cm$ 

Rolt Handcock, surveyor

May 6, 1754

# 42. Kilmain

'Map of Kilmain Glebe Land situate[d] in the Tuam Diocese [...] by order of Revd G. Gildea'. Maps shows Tavnagh, Kilmainparks, and Cregduff.

45.5 cm x 55.5 cm

M. Farragher, surveyor

December 1855

# **43. Kilmain** [Fragile]

'Map of Kilmain Glebe Land and parts of Kilmainpark, Kilmaine, and Tawnagh situate[d] in the County of Mayo ... by order of Revd G.R. Gildea'. Shows Cregduff, 'Protestant Burying Ground', and 'school house with play grounds around it', as well as glebe land measurements.

49.6 cm x 74

No surveyor information

December 17, 1873

#### 44. Kilmeena

'Kilmeena Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 76'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Inishgowla, Clew Bay, and Derrinish, and contains glebe land measurements.

45.5 cm x 31.7 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

# 45. Kilmoylan/Kinmonlan [?]

'Map of Kinmonlan Church Burial Ground and Glebe Land, Parish of Kilmoylan, Barony of Clare, County of Galway'. Map shows Annagh Demesne and Ballyglooneen and glebe land measurements.

41.3 cm x 54.2 cm

Samuel Roberts, surveyor

July 13, 1859

# 46. Knockaveely (Newport)

'Knockaveely Glebe or Newport Rectory, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 68'. On tracing paper, shows Owendarry River, Barrack Hill, Drumlong, Knockmatinny, Carrowbawn, as well as 'House, Garden & Curtilage with land to be purchased'.

49.3 cm x 36.5 cm

No Surveyor information

Undated

# 47. Knockaveely

'Knockaveely Glebe in Newport Rectory'. This map, on tracing paper, shows glebe land measurements.

13 cm x 20 cm

No surveyor information

Undated

# 48. Lissavalley

'Map of Lissavalley Glebe'. Map shows estate of J.A. Kirloan, estate of Michael Browne, as well as Lissavalley and Moher townlands. Glebe land measurements make reference to holdings of 'Cottier Tenants'.

60 cm x 35 cm

No surveyor information

March 20, 1847

## 49. Louisburgh

'Louisburgh Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 86'. This map, on tracing paper, shows a separate map of 'House and curtilage' and shows reference to Carrowmor, Calla, Clooncarrabawn, Bunowen River, Caher, Corn Mill and parts of Louisburgh town, including the site of the church. Also shows glebe land measurements.

45.5 cm x 31.7 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 50. Louisburgh

Louisburgh Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 86'. This map, on tracing paper, is a duplicate of no. 49 but with plots of land shown in colour.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

# 51. Louisburgh

'A Plan & Survey of Louisburgh Glebe'. Map mentions Calla, Clooncarrowbawn, Caher, Carrowmore and Bunowen River and shows a small part of the town plan of Louisburgh as well as the Old Glebe House and land measurements.

49.3 cm x 63.7 cm No surveyor information Undated

#### 52. Mayo

'Mayo Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 90/100'. This map shows reference to Gonnagusetaul, Knockaunabroona, Corlisland, Cullentragh, Curry, Ballinaster, and Fahbeg, as well as the glebe land measurements. Shows an enlarged plan of 'House, Offices, & Curtilage'.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 53. Moylough

'Moylough Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 45'. This map, on tracing paper, shows reference to Moyloughmore and contains the glebe land measurements.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 54. Neale

'Map of The Neale Glebe, situate[d] in the parish of Ballinchalla and County of Mayo for the Revd Lowry McClintock'. Shows Bunaraunish, Ballyargadaun, and Lawaus, glebe land measurements, and a small drawing of the church.

55.3 cm x 45.6

Hodges, Smith & Co., Map Agency Office

1856

#### **55.** Nymphsfield [The townland where Cong rectory / glebe is located].

'Nymphsfield Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 120'. This map shows reference to Creevagh South, Tonaleen, and Gortaroe as well as glebe land measurements. 'Cong' is written in ink above the title. There is a separate part of the map that shows 'House, Garden & Curtilage' in greater detail.

 $46.5 \ cm \ x \ 30.5 \ cm$ 

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 56. Omey

'A Map of the Glebe'. Map shows Glenowen and Clifden as well as glebe land measurements.

48 cm x 75.2 cm

Henry S. D'Arcy, surveyor

1859

#### 57. Omey Clifden

'Omey Clifden Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 35'.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### **58. Ross**

'Map of Ross Glebe, Co. Galway'. This map makes reference to Rusheen West and Rosshill Demesne and is signed by Bartholomew O'Callaghan B.A. at the bottom [a Revd John O'Callaghan served the parish of Ross from 1860-72, and is listed as being the son 'of Bartholomew, farmer' in the clerical succession lists].

33.8 cm x 21 cm

No surveyor information

Undated

#### 59. Tuam

'Survey of Land in the West Suburbs of the Town of Tuam, the Property of the Dean of Tuam'. The maps shows Killaloonty, Tierboy, and 'The Grove'. Land measurements reference pasture held by Patrick Egan, pasture held by Mr Potter, pasture held by Edmund Burton, as well as references to Captain Lindsey, Mr Nolan, the site of the Old Abbey of the Blessed Trinity, location of Spring Wells, the church, and the old church yard.

28.5 cm x 46.9 cm John J. Redington, surveyor 1833

#### **60. Tuam** [fragile]

'Map of Tuam Glebe for the Revd. Charles H. Seymour'. Map shows Vicarschoral Land, 'Grove', St John's, Farrannalox along with the glebe land measurements.

50.4 cm x 39.5 cm

James Cassidy, surveyor

March 1852

#### 61. Tuam

'A map of the Glebe of Tuam for the Revd Charles H Seymour'. Shows barracks and refers to Parkmore, Farnabox, John Handcock Esqr., and vicar choral land. Shows land measurements.

56.2 cm x 45.7 cm

James Byrne, surveyor

July 1856, surveyed December 1855

#### 62. Tuam

Tuam Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Galway O.S. 29/43'. This map shows reference to Townparks (second and third division), vicarschoral land, and Farrannabox as well as glebe land measurements. This map also contains a separate plan showing 'House, Garden & Curtilage'.

46.5 cm x 30.2 cm

Hodges, Foster & Co.

Undated

#### 63. Westport

'A plan of Westport Glebe, Diocese of Tuam'. Refers to Westport and Newport. The map contains a brief reference to land measurements.

48.4 cm x 61 cm

George Walsh, surveyor

December 31, 1855

#### 64. Westport

'Westport Glebe, Diocese of Tuam, Mayo O.S. 88'. This map shows reference to Deerpark East, Carrowbeg, and Westport Demesne as well as the glebe land measurements.

46.5 cm x 30.5 cm Hodges, Foster & Co. Undated

#### 2/ District Maps

A collection of significant district maps drawn up to de-mark new parochial divisions carved from the two former massive parishes of Omey and Ballinakill covering the same area. Organised alphabetically by area name. These maps date predominantly from the 1860s (with two from the 1850s) and all include administrative detail in the form of letters from the relevant bodies or authorities, suggesting some significant parochial boundary reorganisation was underway by the 1860s. According to historian, Dr Miriam Moffitt, whose book *Soupers and Jumpers* analysed in detail the work of the Irish Church Missions, this evidence shows the operational development of the mission infrastructure, into which mission stations, schools and readers would be inserted. The small quantity of correspondence and related papers gathered together as file /7 below provides further context and further text-based lists of townlands etc and with interesting population information therein. The collection demonstrates the realignment of historic parish boundaries to allow for new theological realities.

#### 1. Aasleagh

'Deed of erection of the Parochial District of Aasleagh', dated June 2, 1854 and registered 13 July, 1854. Note inscribed by John Cather, incumbent of the parish of Aughagower in the Union of Westport, consenting to the formation of Aasleagh parochial district. Contains deed and note signed by 'Lord Baron Plunket'. 79 cm x 93 cm (folded)
June/July 1854

#### 2. Ballyconree

'District Cure of Ballyconree, Diocese of Tuam' (Killalla being crossed out). Map shows the townlands and boundaries of the new parish which was created from the 'parish of Omey in the Union of Omey'. Attached is a letter, with stamp, from Bishop Brodrick Bernard. The map is based on an Ordnance Survey, but no further information is given. 93 cm x 136 cm (folded into booklet)

Surveyor?

'Received July 29, 1868'.

#### 3. Castlekirk

'Parochial district of Castlekirk' showing the formation of the parish by separation from the parish of Cong. Contains various seals and stamps, as well as a letter attached by 'Thomas, Lord Baron Plunket, by divine permission, Lord Bishop of Tuam, Killalla & Achonry'.

90 cm x 147.6 cm (folded into booklet) Seymour Webb & Co., 4 Kildare St [Dublin], surveyor 1 May 1864

#### 4. Errismore

'This is the map of the townlands included in the parochial district of Errismore in the diocese of Tuam' showing the formation of Errismore from Ballindoon and refers to the

parish church of Clifden, in the Union of Omey. The map contains a letter attached signed by Bishop Plunket.

120 cm x 182.6 cm (folded into booklet)

Surveyor?

1 March 1864

#### 5. Moyrus (Beauchamp)

Map shows the formation of the parochial district, possibly from that of 'Clifdeon' (Omey) with a focus on the townlands that make up the new parish.

170.3 cm x 173.5 cm (folded into booklet, irregular shape)

Surveyor?

Dated March 4, 1856, signed March 24, 1856

#### 6. Renvyle

Formation of parochial district from the parish of Ballinakill due to the inhabitants of several townlands of Ballinakill being unable to attend their local parish church due to the vast distances. This map shows the townlands of the new parochial district, as well as the boundaries and is based on the Ordnance Survey map (9C Galway). It has attached a letter signed by Bishop Plunket that is dated May 8, 1861.

124 cm x 179 cm (folded into booklet)

Surveyor?

Date in ink on front 17 June, 1861.

#### 7. Sellerna

Map showing the formation of the parochial district to be known as Sellerna, based on the Ordnance Survey map, with mandate and seal of Bishop Plunket, dated 2 August 1854.

1854

#### 8. Related Papers

Being a file of correspondence, related lists and some legal papers concerning boundaries and parochial districts, with more extensive material including lists of parishioners for Kilcummin and Moyrus (Roundstone). One early item from the Boundary Department of the Ordinance Survey of Ireland concerning the Parishes of Templemary and Rathreagh is unrelated.

1830; 1863; 1874; 1876

#### 3/ Miscellaneous maps

A collection of various miscellaneous maps showing parts of Galway and Mayo (corresponding with Tuam Diocese) and organised alphabetically by area name. These maps - where dated - are primarily from the early 20th century although one (Tuam, showing the Estate of John Stratford Hancock) is from the 19th century.

#### 1. Drumlong

Shows side elevation of house and land elevation from house to Newport river. Concerns disputed right of way from river to Chambers House through rectory land. 65 cm x 54 cm

Undated or surveyor information.

#### 2. Killoe

Untitled, this map outlines the parish of Killoe and makes specific mention to the parishes of: Collomkill; Clonbrony; part of Killoe parish united to Templemichael; Templemichael; and Clongish (the latter in Ardagh diocese).

65 cm x 54 cm

Undated or surveyor information

#### 3. Mayo Estate Map (1)

Ordnance Survey map (Mayo Sheet 59, edition 1920) showing part of Lucan Estate, marked in red.

70 cm x 105 cm

Stamped 24.11.1930

#### 4. Mayo Estate Map (2)

Ordnance Survey map (Mayo Sheet 60, edition 1920) showing various estates marked in red, including Lucan, Hyacinth Darcy, and Lord Norbury.

70 cm x 105 cm

Stamped 24.11.1930

#### 5. Mayo Estate Map (3)

Ordnance Survey map (Mayo Sheet 69, edition 1920) showing part of Lucan Estate, marked in red.

70 cm x 105 cm

Stamped 24.11.1930

#### 6. Mayo Estate Map (4)

Ordnance Survey map (Mayo Sheet 70, edition 1920) showing various estates marked in red, including Lucan, Hyacinth Darcy, and Lord Norbury.

 $70 \text{ cm} \times 105 \text{ cm}$ 

Stamped 24.11.1930

#### 7. Tuam Deanery

'Deanery of Tuam, Diocese of Tuam'. Shows position of The See House, proposed new deanery, lodge, glebe house area, and Farrannabox. The map, on tracing paper, also shows land measurement data.

59 cm x 41 cm

Undated and no surveyor data.

#### 8. Tuam

'The Estate of John Stratford Hancock'. This map is based on the Ordnance Survey Galway area (Map 7, Sheets 29 & 43) and shows the Estate coloured green in area around Tuam Town.

 $63 \text{ cm} \times 48 \text{ cm}$ 

Undated and no surveyor information. There is a handwritten date on back: 16/2/1868.

#### 9. Untitled (1)

Part of Ordnance Survey (perhaps no. 37). Hand-coloured edging showing perhaps parish boundary. Shows Lake Inagh, Tooreenacoona, Luggatarriff, Gleninagh, Letterfreckaun, Finnisglin, and Illion.

75 cm x 92 cm

'Surveyed in 1839 by Captain Stotherd & Lieutenants Boteler, Durnford, & Beatty, engraved in 1841'.

Dated 16.4.'53 in pen in the bottom-right of map.

#### 10. Untitled (2) - Fragile

Hand-drawn in colour, shows parish or boundary lines for Kurry, Drishaghane, Kilgreana, and Carrabrack. The map is very fragile, and is in a number of torn parts. 83 cm x 65 cm (approx.)

Undated and no surveyor data.

#### 11. Untitled (3) - Fragile

Hand-drawn in colour, shows various plots with land measurements. The map refers to Arakorky, Knockadoroha, and Ballynasteen and is primarily concerned with identifying arable land.

107 cm x 55 cm

Undated and no surveyor information.

#### 4/ Printed Secondary Maps

Being a smaller collection of 16 various Ordnance Survey maps showing parts of Galway and Mayo (corresponding with Tuam Diocese). These maps were probably purchased and used by the diocesan registry or office in order to determine proposed boundaries, but were never altered in any way. They have been retained to reflect the cartographical extent of the 19th and 20th century diocesan administration.

## 18. Correspondence

1. File of miscellaneous correspondence of successive diocesan registrars with related papers interleaved, including routine correspondence addressed to R.J. Kinkead, Secretary of the Diocesan Council 1873-1875, and a couple of later items, including circular concerning permissive prayers in connection with the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth, 1953.

1838-1897; 1936; 1953.

#### **2.** Letter Books, as follows:

- 1. Index to letters received in Council Office, 1870-1873
- 2. Letters received and sent (names only), 1873-1877
- 3. Copy in-letters, 1882-1883
- 4. Damp press Council out-letter books, 17 volumes, 1871-1925.

  Note that there appear to be two separate sets of outgoing letter books, one for Tuam and one for Killala & Achonry, but there is little information on the spines necessitating detailed and limited perusal of each volume for information. Three volumes have been retained in the Library, but given the voluminous nature of this set, remainder are in external storage.

#### 19. Education Records

Loose items as follows:-

#### 1. Licences of English School Masters

File of licences of School Masters for English School in Tuam, includes nominations for Edward Hadlock in 1774 and Beech Sandford, 1812. 1774, 1812

#### 2. Returns relating to English Schools 1786-1787.

File of Returns of English Schools in the Diocese of Tuam, obtained by the Archbishop of Tuam from the Incumbents, at the request of the Lord Lieutenant. Includes proforma returns, tabular returns and correspondence returns. 1786-1787

#### 3. Diocesan Council Education and the future of the Church returns 1870

File of Returns concerning the subject of Education and the future of the Church c. 1870.

# 4. Return of School Houses, Burial Grounds and Church Yards to be claimed under The Representative Church Body.

File of Returns concerning act by the Representative Church Body to claim churches, school houses, burial grounds and church yards.

#### 5. Returns concerning the location of Schoolhouses on private or church land 1871.

# 6. Material concerning specific School Houses, arranged in alphabetical order and chronologically within the parish.

Name of School	Date	Notes
Aclare School,	1912	Lease for Aclare School from the Right
Kilmacteigue, Achonry		Honourable George Ralph Charles Baron
		Harlech to Sir Malby Crofton, Joseph Pratt
		and John Garvey.
Dugort School, Achill	1944	Correspondence concerning repairs to
		Dugort School, Achill.
"Feenishbeg" Technical	1909; 1916	Agreement for lease of land to Rosamond
School, Aughagower		Stephen for use as technical school on land
		at Srahatloe, in Aughagower, Tuam, 1916,
Hollymount School,	1950	Lease of Hollymount School, 1950.
Tuam		
Kilglass School, Killala	1777	Lease of Land for Kilglass School.
Knappagh School,	1909	Agreement for lease of land to Rosamond
Aughagower		Stephen for use as technical school with
		map of land on the back of the lease,
		includes attached letter concerning the rent
		for "Aasleagh" Technical School.
Lavally Schoolhouse	1946; 1966	Correspondence concerning Lavally church
		which was formerly a school house.
Mall School, Tuam	1958-1969	Correspondence and accounts relating to
		Mill School House, Tuam. Includes
		agreement for the letting of the Mall
		School, Tuam
Newport School	1942-1944; 1921	Correspondence concerning Newport
		School.
Newtownwhite National	1904	Lease for both the Day and Sunday School
School, Ballysakeery		with map of lands, 1904.
Old School House,	1939-1948	Correspondence concerning the Old School
Omey, Clifden (Tuam)		House, Omey, Clifden. Includes
		correspondence concerning repair of the
		water tank in "Sunnybank" in Clifden 1944-

		1946; Correspondence concerning the sale of the Omey School house in Clifden 1939-1945; Correspondence regarding repairs on the School House in Clifden 1947.	
Touramakeady School	1942-1948	Correspondence concerning the	
		Touramakeady School House	
Westport National	1946-1947	Correspondence concerning Westport	
School		National School with map of Westport	
		attached.	

# 7. Exam Papers for Sunday School, the Lord Bishops Medal and the Dr Henry Bequest

**Box** of material relating to Sunday school examination papers, the examination papers for the Lord Bishops Medal and The Dr Henry Bequest Book Prizes. Includes handwritten exam questions for various years and lists of prizes. 1927-1956.

#### 8. Transport Sub Committee

File of material relating to the Transport Sub Committee concerning the conveyance of children to school. Includes instructions for drivers commencing a scheme of transport, contracts between drivers and The Board of Education, Tuam, and accounts outlining the numbers of children utilising the scheme. Furthermore includes correspondence concerning the scheme, ticket book of tickets for the scheme and printed reports on the Transport Fund.

1939-1948

#### 9. Printed Educational Endowment Schemes

Copies of various schemes for education including "The future government and management of the Educational Endowments of and belonging to The Parochial Schools of the Diocese of Tuam, and amendments to the Diocesan sustentation fund scheme 1871.

1871-1872; 1894.

#### 10. Correspondence

File of general correspondence concerning education and school buildings. 1931-1949; 1961-1964; 1972, 1974.

#### 11. Stock, Insurance Papers and Receipts

File of material regarding Stock, Insurance papers and receipts with correspondence. 1907: 1919-1947; 1952

#### 12. Printed materials

**Box** of Reports of the Diocesan Board of Education covering the inclusive period from 1906 to 1954 [but incomplete - missing 1907, 1932, 1933, 1941, 1948-50 and 1953]

#### 13. Reports of the Special Transport Fund

1945, 1947, 1948, 1954.

#### Volumes:-

#### 14. Diocesan Board of Education Minute Book

1901-1930

#### 15. Financial Statement Account Book Detailing Expenditure

1917-1942

#### 20. Printed Materials

One box, containing an extensive amount of blank pro-forma printed material such as nomination forms for lay and clerical ministers, orders of procedure for election of a bishop to the synod etc. and the following:

Scheme for the Distribution of the Surplus of the Commutation Capital of the Diocese of Tuam 1897 with the Financial Scheme of the United Diocese of Killala and Achonry.

Tuam Diocesan Board of Missions and Temperance reports, 1930 and 1931.

Tuam, Killala and Achonry Diocesan Commission Schemes for the United Diocese, 1978 and 1979.

Tuam Scripture Schools and Protestant Orphan Society report, 1858.

98th and 99th Annual Reports of the Connemara Orphan Nurseries 1947-1948 and 1948-1949.

Printed brochure containing details of summer services with map locations of churches, undated

# Miscellaneous copies of the Diocesan Directory

1998-1999 and 2003/2005 only

# 21. Papers of the Very Revd Joseph Jackson, 1933-1966

This section concerns the working papers of the Very Revd Joseph Jackson (1884-1970), Diocesan Registrar 1921-1965, Dean and Rector of Tuam 1945-1966. The collection reveals his deep interest in local history and other subjects, and compliments other materials found amongst the Tuam Cathedral records in section 11/ above.

It should further be noted that the Library also holds a typescript copy of the 'Memoir of Joseph Jackson' (PC71), which is a typed manuscript based on hand-written notes in various notebooks put together by his son-in-law Harry Williamson. The memoir alludes to his early life in Dublin, where he was born in 1884, as a choir boy in Christ Church Cathedral choir, his student days in Trinity, and then his clerical life, following ordination as curate in both Clones and Waterford Cathedral, before becoming rector of Claremorris, and of Castlebar before becoming Dean of Tuam in 1945. The memoir further reveals his deep love of music and training as an organist under the tutelage of John Horan.

- 1. Notebooks compiled by Jackson outlining many aspects of the history of the diocese with copies of outgoing correspondence 1928: 1961-1962 1964-1965. Also includes detailed notes on index cards of sources for diocesan history, references to schools and churches. [Undated, 1960s?]
- 2. Additional handwritten notes on key dates with details (institutions, leases set, churches opened etc) for specific parishes.

  [Undated]

- 3. Alphabetical lists of clergy arranged under the following headings: appointments, letters dismissory and resignations, which appears to correspond with some of the content of the clergy files (see D5/13 Box 2 above) [Undated]
- 4. File of general enquiries and correspondence sent to Dean Jackson 1933-1966. Includes Letter from William Tuam concerning the dedication of a mural tablet; Letter from John C. McQuaid concerning the bequest in favour of the school children of the parish of Aughrim, 1949; Letter from W.J. Comerford concerning enquiry from the Dean about the Blakeney Estate, 1955; Letter from Geraldine Fitzgerald, RCB concerning an enquiry by the Dean on the history of the Cashel Loan collection, letter outlines the history and location of the volumes, 1960; Letter from the Diocesan Registry outlining the roles of the Diocesan Registrar during a Visitation, 1964; Letter from Harold Graham concerning the purchase of Rectory field in Clifden, 1966; Letters from Bishop Arthur Hamilton Butler regarding the charities and bequests that Jackson administers as Dean, 1966.
- 5. File of correspondence regarding angling and maps of lakes showing "well known drifts for fishing under the various weather conditions" for visiting fishermen. Includes map depicting drifts and weather data for Lough Mask. 1961.
- 6. File of correspondence concerning a mosaic square in Tuam, to be sold to Irish Mosaics Ltd. 1960.
- 7 Miscellaneous other papers including the draft succession lists for the diocese of Tuam. [Undated]
- 8 Typescript copies of papers possibly drafted by Jackson on various themes of responsibility, which were used as a 'Lenten Programme' to follow up an undated Anglican Congress, that Jackson may have attended [c. 1960?]
- 9. Copy of Royal British Legion Ireland Southern Area circular, 1961

# D5A/ Killala and Achonry specific registry records

Note for materials concerning specific parishes, unions and district churches, researchers should refer to sections D5/10 and D5/17 above

# 1. Episcopal Materials – of Various Bishops of Killala & Achonry

# 1. Most Revd Miler McGrath (1552-1622), Bishop of Killala, 1607-22 and of Achonry, 1613-22, as well as Archbishop of Cashel.

Case presented by Archbishop Miler McGrath, which opens as follows: "Whereas uppon peticion made by the most reverend father in God Milerus Lord Ab of Cashel and Bishop of Killala and Achonry unto the right honourable the Lord Deputy shewing that the severall landes tenementes and hereditaments belonging to the sayd Bishopric of Killala and Achonry in the counties of Mayoe and Sligoe are wrongfullie and with stronge handes withheld by divers the inhabitants of the sayd counties...". Bray McDonagh is defendant. 27pp.

[Post-1613, undated]

#### 2. Rt Revd Thomas Bayly (died 1670), Bishop of Killala & Achonry, 1663-70

Legal answer provided for the said bishop, the 'Thomas, Lord Bishop of Killala & Achonry' relating to a bill brought by Michael Francis Cormack, defending. [Incomplete, undated]

#### 3. Rt Revd William Preseton (1728-1789), bishop 1784-87

Book of procuration and exhibits including various payments listed c. 1786

#### 4. Samuel Hutchinson (died 1780), bishop 1759-80

Framed episcopal seal presented to Hutchinson on his consecration as bishop of Killala & Achonry, in St Ann's Church, Dublin

22 April 1759

#### 5. Rt Revd James Verschoyle (1749/50-1834), bishop 1810-34

(Note: further correspondence of Bishop Vershoyle in relation the famine of 1822 appears in section D5A/7 below). There are four items in this section, as follows:-

- 1. Royal grant of the temporalities of the dioceses of Killala & Achonry, signed by George III, with original royal seal affixed, prior to Verschoyle's consecration as bishop in St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin. 6 May 1810
- 2. Episcopal seal 1810
- 3. Note signed by 'Jms Killala' relating to the tithe payments of a Mr Browne, referring to the return of documents to 'the Office' 1816
- 4. Undated draft bishop's citation in which he advises the King [William IV] that he has summoned various parishioners of parishes in the diocese of Achonry pronounced guilty of the manifest contempt of the law', to appear before the Consistorial Court.

  [Undated]

NOTE: For further episcopal materials, see sections 2/ and 3/ below.

# 2. Documents relating specifically to lands, benefices, rentals and income of the diocese, 1658-1901

Miscellaneous returns, leases and correspondence relating to lands, benefices, rentals and incomes possibly assembled as evidence of the extent of the dioceses in preparation for either the uniting of the bishoprics of Tuam, Killala and Achonry in 1834, or the later unification of the two diocesan registries under the terms of the Ecclesiastical Courts and Registries (Ireland) Act 1864, as follows:-

- 1. Copy of contract dealing with lands in the barony of Tirawly, Co. Mayo for the Bishop of Killala, 6 July 168; with later map of the part of the parish of Killalow, in the same barony, being part of the See lands, 1811 1658; 1811
- 2. Document entitled 'Authenticated extracts from the Down Survey of lands of the sees of Killala and Achonry' giving details of individual parishes (in alphabetical order) in the baronies of Costello and Tiranley. On the reverse of this document is an unrelated 'List of churches to be built' [in various dioceses] including Tuam, but also Armagh, Dromore, Dublin, Ferns and Ossory, and costs before and after the addition of the 'King's Money'.

1682 & 1684; 1766

- 3. List of rental plots and tenants names with details of arrears, possibly related to the episcopacy of Mordecai Cary, Bishop of Killala 1736-51. 1745-46
- 4. Rent roll of Killala and Achonry, including tenants and values for plots in Killala town 1759
- 5. Rent roll of glebes in the diocese of Killala 1784
- 6. A return of the lands and tenants with their value 'Occupied by the Bishop', possibly in Achonry, but including unidentified town plots. One of the tenants is Archdeacon Henderson, who was archdeacon of Achonry, 1760-1813, so it is assumed to pre-date 1813
- 7. Table of Leases of Glebe Lands, Diocese of Achonry' containing names of tenants, glebe trustees, quantity of land, rent and type of lease, compiled c. 1813, but dating back to 1756
  1813
- 8. Rents due listed by tenant name with arrears and rents received, for unspecified lands but some details of glebes included at the end of the table 1817-18
- 9. Schedules of 'Tenants of Kilbride Rents' in account with Mr Palmer' [diocesan registrar] including names and rent income breakdown 1828-30
- Document entitled 'Acreage of income for Achonry' including names of tenants and yearly rents, 1829-31
   1831
- 11. Tabular returns of rates of renewal fines on the Bishop of Killala and Achonry and return to the Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Inquiry of tenants and denominations in

- counties Mayo and Sligo; with a 'Return of the amount of the income of the See of Killala and Achonry, as ordered by parliament', 11 July 1833 3 January and 29 March 1833; 11 July 1833
- 12. Draft 'returns for Dean Blakely' [Theophilus Blakely, dean of Achonry 1824-39] being a schedule of payments made since 1812 for various lands, compiled by the Registry Office, and signed by Frederick Stock, Registrar, 9 June 1834
- 13. Certificates of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland issued to various tenants of lands belonging to the dioceses for payments on leases at the Registrar's Office, Killala, 1838
- 14. Miscellaneous returns made to 'Frederick Stock Esq, Estate Transfer Branch Office, Ballina', concerning lands presumably transferred from Killala and Achonry to the diocese of Tuam and including details of the 'nature of the security offered'. 1842
- Similar draft to /6 above, being of 'Return made to Mr Stewart' with details of 21 year leases, 1822-1834
   December 1843
- 16. Table of the rent charge payable to the Revd A. Thomas, for lands in the union of Ballinakill', including names of persons liable, and areas, 1844-49 23 March 1850
- 17. Returns of lands in county Mayo belonging to See of Tuam, as returned to the Quit Rent Office, by the Revd Benjamin J. Clarke, Deputy Registrar, Tuam, Dangan, Co. Galway. 1864
- 18. Pro-forma returns of commutation monies received by parish in the diocese of Killala and Achonry 1871-74
- 19. Statements of Ecclesiastical Income, returned by parish 1901
- 20. Miscellaneous lists of leases, incomplete documents, odd leases and other scraps relating to lands, acreages, and income derived, including one undated copy grant of the fairs and markets of Killala to the bishop of Killala and Achonry. 1760, 1765; undated; 1818; 1847; 1853 and later 19th century

# 3. Miscellaneous Legal / Diocesan Court Records, 1759-1876

This section includes legal mandates of various bishops, as well as court papers and related materials administered by successive registrars and their agents, 1759-1876, as follows:

- 1. Copy draft commission for witnesses in a testamentary cause, 1759
- 2. Inhibition given to the Revd Robert Moore in a matrimonial case between Charles Harlow, Mount Charles, Co. Donegal, and Catherine Layng and Frances Wallace of Finnit, Co. Sligo, 2 May 1779
- 3. Case involving the goods and chattels of Gabriel Egan of Rathnavart, parish of Ballisakeery, Co. Mayo, excommunicated for contempt, 1 January 1790
- 4. Original citation summoning John and Jane Caldwell otherwise Forrester and Elizabeth Barrett, to appear before a vicar general or judge competent in the church of Killmoremoy, signed by the bishop, 14 May 1790

- 5. Citation summonsing various named churchwardens and schoolmasters to appear before Hugh Murphy, appropriator of the Consistorial Court of Killala, to hear themselves excommunicated for their manifest contempt by not appearing before the Court on a previous occasion, 20 November 1790
- 6. Letters of tutelage and bond in the case of a minor, Charles Stroger, of Mullahenry, by his guardian and tutor, John Ormsby Esq, sworn before the Bishop, and signed by John Neligan, Registrar, and John King, Vicar General, with a surety of £1,000 stg, 22 November 1791
- 7. Original citation summoning the Revd Anthony Browne of the parish of Swinford, to appear before the vicar general or other judge at next court day to defend against excommunication for contempt, signed by John Neligan, Registrar and John King, Vicar General, 4 January 1795
- 8. Original citation of Bishop Joseph Stock summoning James and Thomas Moran, of Colleroe, Co. Mayo, farmers to appear before 'our vicar general or other judge' in the church of Ardnaree, to hear themselves excommunicated for their manifest contempt', 18 May 1801
- 9. Three licences signed by Cornwallis, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland permitting ordinations to be held in His Majesty's Castle, Dublin, January and March 1801, with a further licence signed by Charles, Viscount Somerton [Agar] Archbishop of Dublin 1801-09, permitting Bishop Joseph Stock to hold an ordination, 1802.
- 10. Exemplification of letters of deacon's orders, received from the Diocese of Ossory Registry, for the Revd James Hamilton, 15 June 1808
- 11. Draft certificates for buildings and improvements to churches and glebe houses, 'as copied from originals drawn by H. Stafford, Registrar, of Tuam' as received by Wm Palmer Registrar, of Killala & Achonry, and mentioning it is drawn from on by Dr Ratcliff, 2 June 1811
- 12. Commission, signed and sealed by Bishop Vershoyle, for valuing the united vicarages of Kilcolman, Castlemore and Kilmovee, mentioning a return no longer present, 18 March 1812
- 13. 'Copy of an opinion of Doctor Ratcliffe, upon erecting a perpetual cure', 23 May 1815
- 14. Commission for the Seneschal of the Manor of Achonry, signed and sealed by the bishop, 23 February 1818
- 15. Copy of a legal opinion on 'Act 3rd and 4th Chapter 37' signed by Tho. Wallace, 24 June 1835
- 16. Copy affidavit of Frederick Stock, Registrar, on behalf of the bishop, for use in the Court of the Exchequer involving a sequestration case concerning parties Edward Waldron, plaintiff, and Revd John Garrett, defendant, 31 October 1838
- 17. Draft copy of the will of Peter McGowan, late of Balleskin, in the parish of Templay, co. Sligo, and diocese of Killala, and relate schedule of related probate information, as proved in the Consistorial Court by the Revd George Turloch, Vicar General of the dioceses of Killala and Achonry, Sept. 1843
- 18. Draft of the inventory of furniture of Owen Finnerty, deceased, formerly of the parish of Castleconnor, Co. Sligo, with cover note from H. F. Stock, Dublin, 23 December 1843
- 19. Letter from J. Bligh, Roscommon, concerning a will, 30 April 1850.
- 20. Draft commission to view and value dilapidations, 1850
- 21. Two commissions for the Revd William Jackson, Dean of Killala, to administer declarations, and deliver curates licences, and further to preside as commissary at the diocesan Synod, 18 and 20 September 1876

## 4. Clergy Licences and Nominations, 1762-1878

- 1. Run of original nomination citations for various clergy appointing them to curacies in the diocese, with one letter of recommendation signed and sealed by the Bishop of Elphin, to the Bishop of Killala. Provides evidence of the interplay between bishops and clergy and the legal support of the registrar in the process, as well as the continuity of practice from the 18th century through the period of Disestablishment. 1762; 1779; 1784; 1786; 1806-1878
- 2. Miscellaneous run of constats [receipts or evidence] issued by the Board of First Fruits to various named clergy either liable or not liable for payments to same, providing evidence of the extensive paper trails that formerly existed with this state body. Only a sample has survived here, but valuable insight to payments and claims by diocesan clergy 1789-1819
- 3. Miscellaneous bundle of clergy resignations, 1871-78

### 5. Education Records, 1763-1930

#### 1. Valentine Trust School (Killala)

Files relating to the bequest established by the Revd Thomas Valentine (1676-1766) Vicar of Castleconnor, Easkey and Kilglass for education and apprenticeships. Includes copy of Valentine's will, materials outlining the origin of the bequest and blank indentures for recruiting apprentices. Also includes account books, expenditure and receipts of donations and funds distributed. Also includes more recent materials concerning the 'Education Endowments (Ireland) Act 1885' containing correspondence concerning the Valentine Trust. 1763-1769; 1802, 1825-1889.

#### 2. School Returns

Extensive file of school returns for schools in the dioceses of Killala & Achonry, including three returns c. 1810, listing names and numbers of Roman Catholic and Protestant students, with later more extensive returns in response to the letter of the Board of Education, Dublin Castle, and then a run of slightly later returns for Achonry and Killala arranged in alphabetical order with two preceding letters of commission from Dublin Castle requesting the "number of parish schools in Ireland [...] and the number of scholars in each". Includes a separate file of related correspondence, 1823-24, and one stray return dated 1844.

#### 3. Miscellaneous correspondence

1877-1930

#### 4. Board of Education Minute Books and Related Papers

- 1. 1890-1893
- 2. 1894-1902
- 3. 1909-1911 (loose, with correspondence interleaved)

#### 5. Board of Education Standing Committee Minute Book

1894-1911

#### 6. Board of Education Out-Letter Books

- 1. 1891-1895
- 2. 1895-1900

# 6. Documents Relating to the Appointments and Fees of the Diocesan Registrars & Their Staff, 1784-1876

#### 1/ Deeds of Appointment, 1799-1867, as follows:

Name	Position	Date
Mr Frederick Stock	Appointment deed as	1799, again in 1814
	Registrar	
William Palmer Esq	Appointment as	1805, 1811
	General Registrar,	
	Scribe and Writer of the	
	Acts of the Bishop,	
	including a signed	
	consent by Bishop	
	Verschoyle, that Palmer	
	can deputise for	
	Frederick Stock	
Revd Gabriel Stokes	Titles to the Office of	1814
	Vicar General	
Revd James Burrows	Appointment as	1812
	Surrogate (issued by the	
	Revd James Battersby)	
Frederick and Samuel Stock	Commission as Joint	1830
	Registrars	
Revd George Trulocks	Titles as Vicar General,	1827, 1832, 1833
	1833 also as Preband of	
	Lackan (Killala, 1827)	
	and as Preban of	
	Ballisodere, (1833,	
	Achonry)	
Revd George Trulocks	Titles to the	1847
	Archdeaconry	
Revd James Fowler	Commission to	1854, 1867
	administer oaths, 1854	
	with later appointment	
	as Prebend of	
	Rosscrebeg, Killala,	
	1867	

#### 2/ Papers relating to the work and fees of the registrars, 1783-1846, as follows:

1. Incomplete and unbound register of citations and accounts (testamentary jurisdiction) for Killala only, detailing the names of parties issued with caveats for the granting of letters of administration of the goods of others, 1783-1799. Further contains the certificate of conformity with the laws as a 'popish schoolmaster' of John McNalty of Ardnaree Co. Sligo, 14 April 1784

- 2. Table of fees 'payable to the Judge, Registrar, Proctor, Seal Keeper, belonging to any bishop or archbishop'
  - Undated [later 18th century?];
- 3. Court Fees received by the Revd L. Battersby [Registrar?] and the Revd R. Nixon, Deputy Registrar with brief details of the parties and case involved with relevant fee c. 1808-1811
- 4. Scrap table of fees for various clerical appointments, 1846 Undated, late 18th century; 1846

#### 3/ Correspondence

- 1. Routine administrative correspondence to successive registrars including William Palmer Esquire, The Lodge Killala circa 1811, Frederick Stock Esquire, Registrar of Killala and Achonry 1849-1866 and a Mr Faulkner, late 19th century. This material reveals the interplay between various registrars and diocesan clergy on a wide range of topics from the diocesan court, appointments of clergy, glebe lands, and there is one item relating to the bequest of the late Lady Hutchinson, 1827. [It is worth noting that H.F. Stock, registrar from 1799, was the son of Bishop Joseph Stock, and possibly a half-brother of William Palmer who also acted as registrar] 1807; 1811; 1823; 1838-1850; 1858; 1861; 1864; 1871-1885;
- 2. Two rolls of routine sundry correspondence 1919-1925.

# 7. Miscellaneous Registrar's Returns & Visitations, 1797-1960

1. Returns in the form of detailed lists of the named English schoolmasters and churchwardens appointed for various unions/parishes throughout the two dioceses, with related papers.

1797; 1808; 1811; 1812; 1815; 1816; 1820; 1824-25; 1825-26; 1840

2. Ecclesiastical Report for the Dioceses of Killala and Achonry
Includes tables giving dignities or benefices, clergy, whether resident or non-resident,
licensed, exempt, and other observations, with earlier partial draft and related
correspondence
1809-10

- 3. Statement of the number of churches built during the precedency of Bishop Verschoyle in the dioceses of Killala and Achonry c. 1810
- 4. Return of incumbents, livings, curates and patrons of parishes in the diocese of Killala only. The return is addressed to Dean Vershoyle, Swords, which indicates it may have been drawn up for the incoming Bishop Verschoyle (bishop 1810-34) who was formerly Dean of St Patrick's, prior to his appointment as bishop. There is an unrelated letter. 1810
- 5. Return to circular containing queries from the First Fruits Office, Dublin, under the direction of the Commissioners on the Public Records in Ireland, dated 18 September

1810, handwritten and completed by William Palmer, Registrar of Killala & Achonry, The Lodge, Killala, 14 January 1811, containing details of the extent and state of the records of the registry of the diocese. Provides very interesting detail about various 'chasms and deficiencies' in their extent largely attributed 'to the Rebellion of 1798'. 14 January 1811

- 6. Ecclesiastical Report for the Dioceses of Killala and Achonry
  Separate tables giving dignities or benefices, clergy, whether resident or non-resident,
  licensed, exempt, and other observations.

  1813
- 7. Famine and Relief Records, being an extensive file of correspondence concerning the early 1820s famine that affected many parts of Munster and Connaught including counties in the diocese of Killala in particular Mayo, c. 1822 and returns for the delivery, shipment, distribution and guarding of famine aid as part of an orchestrated public relief effort.

Includes correspondence addressed to the Rt Revd James Verschoyle, Bishop of Killala & Achonry, concerning the provision and distribution of aid and correspondence to the Irish Distress Committee in London concerning the work of the committee. Also includes a statement from the 'Committee for managing the British Subscription to the Peasantry of Distressed Districts in Ireland', Principles for the 'Distribution of the Money granted to alleviate the scarcity which at present prevails in some Districts in Ireland' and List of Remittances made by the London Committee for 'Managing the Subscription for the Relief in Ireland'. There are also earlier letters from 1808, 1809 and 1814 concerning the contributions by landed proprietors present and absentee, possibly used as reference sources during the 1822 crisis

- 8. Labourers' returns, linked to the Famine crisis outlined in the returns at 2/ above, and another initiative of Bishop Vershoyle, including the names of labourers employed, the daily wages paid to each individual, and some descriptions of the work involved, including works on the Moyne Road, Killala, and 'cutting down hills on the new road' in a parish not identified. Much of the work was overseen by one Arthur Wallace [Wallis] who received 1s.3. per day for his work. July-August 1822
- Triennial Returns for the diocese of Killala only accounting for ecclesiastical extent of the diocese – good comparative detail 1823, 1826, 1829, 1832, 1841
- 10. Extensive file of returns and related correspondence on tithes. Includes official circular or 'Compendium on the establishing of Composition of Tithes', 1823; Miscellaneous legal opinions concerning tithes, 1826 and 1827; Petition of the Lord Archbishops and bishops of Ireland to Parliament concerning the bill of the Composition of Tithes, 1823; Printed copy of the parliamentary return outlining Tithe Compositions in Ireland, 16 May 1834 with some original handwritten returns of tithes of several parishes dated between June and July 1834.

- 11. Return of the dissolution of unions in the dioceses 1824
- 12. Return giving the details of the clergy in each parish for both Killala and Achonry, and also Ardagh; their names, whether licensed; comments on their ability of discharging their duties; exempt or not from residence; where resident some detail is also provided on the state of the glebe house in several cases 'nearly finished'; and also crucially details of salaries, and occasionally the state of health of individual clergy. 1826 (with comparative figures for 1825 also provided)
- 13. Tabular returns being 'Ecclesiastical Returns of the Diocese of Killala and Achonry; being pro-forma tables giving details of livings, clergy (incumbents and curates), services, ground of licence and exemption, values of livings and other emoluments. [Very detailed]. 1829, 1830
- 14. Return of draft unions by Act of Council, Dublin Castle 1830
- 15. Detailed returns of population returned for the year 1832, by incumbents of several parishes, including names, numbers of both families and individuals, with detailed observations, and related correspondence.
  - These returns appear are in response to request from the Primate and Archbishop of Armagh requesting that parochial clergy in the diocese "return the number of families and individuals of the Established church in their respective parishes". Some returns are more detailed than others, broken down by townland, whilst for other parishes only a cover letter survives. It is nevertheless a significant body of evidence about population statistics, and also genealogical information for pre-Famine Ireland. [Note: An earlier return of the population for the parishes of Ballysakerry and Rathrea (Killala) only including names, residents and numbers of members of the Established Church 1802, is available in the Ballysakerry box, D5/10 above].
- 16. Responses to the Public Instruction Commission [established by statute on 4 June 1834] and specifically a letter from Matthew Barrington, Secretary of said Commission sent to the Registrar of the Diocese of Killala and Achonry seeking 'a full and correct [statement] in relating to the state of religious and other instruction, and the means of affording the same, now existing in ... Ireland'. Each incumbent was asked to return 'the names and ranks of the several incumbents in the above diocese, of the benefice and benefices held by each and of the curates assisting each: showing also whether any of such curate assist any other incumbent and whom" to "have a complete return of the clergy in each diocese'. Includes several detailed returns from individual incumbents of various parishes in the diocese. In other dioceses these records were stored in the Public Records Office of Ireland, and thus did not survive the fire in 1922, so a very rare insight to religious instruction on the ground in pre-Famine Ireland, which also provides useful information about the role of the Registrar's Office in collecting the information. In one item of correspondence, for example, Frederick Stock, Registrar, complains to Henry Lancey, Dublin, how he was 'put to very considerable expense and very great trouble in doing the business required, 24 June 1835. December 1834-January 1836.

- 17. Return sent to Ecclesiastical Commission concerning the building of churches or chapels from private funds, 1845, with additional undated scrap accounting for the number of churches and chapels of ease in both dioceses, comparing figures in 1800, 1820, 1840 and 1854
  1845; 1854
- Certificates of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners accounting to the monetary value of individual benefices, mostly Achonry parishes, some for Killala, 1847-1862
- 19. Quincentennial Inspections, being loose typescript returns 1951-1960

# 8. Diocesan Reports, 1870-1961

These printed reports are devoted to the business of the diocese of Killala & Achonry specifically. There are various gaps after 1874, and between 1913 and 1929 while items 7-11 are bound, with the remainder loose.

- 1. 1870-1874
- 2. 1883-1884
- 3. 1884-1885
- 4. 1885-1886
- 5. 1886-1887
- 6. 1889-1890
- 7. 1893-1897 (bound)
- 8. 1898-1902 (bound)
- 9. 1900-1902 (bound)
- 10. 1903-1907 (bound)
- 11. 1909-1912 (bound)
- 12. 1930-1931
- 13. 1931-1932
- 14. 1934-1935
- 15. 1937-1938
- 16. 1941-1942
- 17. 1943-1944
- 18. 1944-1945
- 19. 1945-1946
- 20. 1947-1948
- 21. 1948-1949
- 22. 1948-1950
- 23. 1951-1952
- 24. 1952-1953
- 25. 1953-1954
- 26. 1954-1955
- 27. 1955-1956
- 28. 1956-1957
- 29. 1957-1958
- 30. 1960-1961

# 9. Diocesan Council Records, 1871-1951

- 1. Minute Books
- 1. 1871-1881
- 2. 1881-1887
- 3. 1887-1905
- 4. 1905-1919

#### 2. Memoranda Books

These volumes are of a scrapbook nature, containing reports, lists of clergy, notices and various press items, as follows:-

- 1. 1872-1898
- 2. 1888-1915
- 3. 1916-1926
- 3 Agenda Books
- 1. 1900-1905
- 2. 1905-1913
- 3. 1919-1922
- 4. 1922-1933
- 5. 1934-1951

# 10. Diocesan Synod Records, 1872-1945

- 1. Original Minute Books
- 1. 1872-1881
- 2. 1882- 1900
- 2. Registers of Synodsmen
- 1. 1882-1888
- 2. 1888-1945
- 3. Draft and Original Loose Minutes
- 1. 1909
- 2. 1912
- 3. 1913
- 4. 1914
- 5. 1916
- 6. 1917
- 7. 1918
- 8. 1919
- 9. 1920
- 10. 1921
- 11. 1923
- 12. 1924
- 13. 1925

### 11. Accounts, 1882-1953

- 1. Treasurers' Account Books
  - 1. 1882-1887
  - 2. 1887-1894
  - 3. 1894-1917
  - 4. 1918-1953
- 2. Stipend Fund Account Book
  - 1. 1882-1886
  - 2. 1887-1903
  - 3. 1906-1923
  - 4. 1915-1957 (Income Book)
  - 5. 1923-1944
- 3. Stipend and Superannuation Account Book
  - 1. 1945-1954
- 4. Diocesan Account Books
  - 1. 1882-1913
  - 2. 1887-1891
  - 3. 1888-1893
  - 4. 1895-1916
  - 5. 1896-1915
  - 6. 1896-1916
  - 7. 1917-1939
  - 8. 1940-1953
- 5. Other Volumes
  - 1. 1917-1952 [Miscellaneous volume accounting for various diocesan funds as follows Stipend Fund, Superannuation Fund, Diocesan General Fund, Assessment Aid Fund; Appropriation Account; Diocesan Curates Account; Glebes Account and Glebes Profit Sale Account; Capital Account; Income and Expenditure Account; Parochial Endowment Capital Fund; London Sustentation Fund; Private Endowment Fund; Augmentation Fund; Stipend Fund; RCB Account (income); Surplus Stipend Fund- Distribution; Long Service Grants]
  - 2. 1937-1943 [Government Subscription Accounts]
  - 3. 1937-1954 [Parochial Endowments and Glebe Profits]
  - 4. 1937-1943 [Account of Glebes, Parochial Trusts and Private Endowments]

## 12. Miscellaneous Volumes, 1877-2007

Being a collection of other miscellaneous volumes created and maintained by the separate diocesan structure of Killala & Achonry at various times, as follows:

#### 1. Board of Nominations Minute Book

1877-1930

#### 2. Census

Being statistical summary information only based on the 1881 Census of Ireland – no personal data provided.
1881

#### 3. Glebes Committee Minute Book

1910-1959

#### 4. Marriage Notice Books

Kept as a sample of this kind of record, duplicated by actual entries in various parochial marriage registers, as follows:-

- 1. 1940-2000 [Killala & Achonry returns]
- 2. 1983-2007 [Killala returns only]

## 13. Miscellaneous Loose Papers, 1904-1958

- Records: List of the contents of diocesan box lodged in the Provincial Bank, Ballina, by order of the Diocesan Council 24 October 1904
- 2. Financial Scheme, Assessment and Amalgamation: One box of materials relating to the Financial Scheme for Killala and Achonry, 1911-1924, which was prepared as a lead up to a full-scale assessment of parishes, including lands, stipends and related figures, 1913-24; leading to the scheme to formally amalgamate parishes, subsequently approved by the Diocesan Council 27 March 1921, together with a later copy of the Sparsely Populated Areas Commission report of 1958, and related materials of Parishes of Killala and Achonry.

1911; 1913-1924; 1958

# Appendix 1: Episcopal Succession of the Province (and Diocese) of Tuam, with Killala & Achonry

Source: Clergy of Tuam, Killala and Achonry Biographical Succession Lists, compiled by Canon J.B. Leslie and revised, edited, and updated by Canon D.W.T. Crooks (Belfast, 2018).

BISHO	OPS OF	TUAM	١
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-1032	Murchad (Murrough) O'Nioc
-1085	Aedh (Hugh) O'Hoisin
1117	Cathusach Ua Conaill
1137	-O'Clerig

#### **ARCHBISHOPS OF TUAM**

-1152-1161	Edan (Hugh) O'Hessian
-1171-1201	Catholicus O'Duffy
-1201-1235/36	Feliz O'Ruadan O'Rooney

1235/36-1249 Marianus (Mael Murry) O'Laghnan

1250-1256 Florence O'Flynn

-1256 James O'Laghnan (not admitted)

1257-1258 Walter de Salerno

1259-1279 Thomas (Tomultach) O'Connor

1286-1288 Stephen de Fulburn 1289-1311/12 William Bermingham 1312/13-1346 Malachy MacHugh 1349-1364 Thomas O'Carroll 1364-1371 John O'Grady

1372-1383/84 Gregory O'Moghan (O'Meghan) I

 1384-1385
 Gregory O'Moghan II

 1386-1393/94
 William O'Cormacan

 1393/4-1409
 Maurice O'Kelly

 1410-c. 1430
 John Babynghe

1411 Cornelius (in Crockford)

1430-1437 John Wingfield (alias Bermingham)1438 Thomas O'Kelly (did not get possession)

1441-1450 John de Burgo (Burke)

1450 Redmond Bermingham (did not get possession )

1450- Donat (Donough) O'Murray 1483-c.1487 William Black (Blake)

1487-1501 William joy

1503 Philip Pinson (did not get possession)

c. 1504-c. 1506 Walter Blake 1506-1513 Maurice O'Fihely 1513-1536 Thomas O'Mullaly 1536/37-1572 Christopher Bodkin

1573-1595 William mullaly (Lally, Lolay)

1595-1609 Nehemiah Donnellan 1609-1628 William O'Donnell (Daniel)

 1629-1637
 Randolph Barlow

 1638-1644/45
 Richard Boyle

 1645-1649
 John Maxwell

1649-1660 vacant

1660/01-1666/67	Samuel Pullein
1667-1679	John Parker
1649-1716	John Vesey
1716-1741	Edward Synge
1741-1751	Josiah Hort
1752-1775	John Ryder
1775-1782	Jemmet Browne
1782-1794	Hon Joseph Dean Bourke
1795-1819	Hon William Beresford
1819-1839	Hon Power le Poer Trench
	BISHOPS OF TUAM
1839-1866	Hon Thomas Span Plunket
1867-1890	Hon Charles Brodrick Bernard
1890-1913	James O'Sullivan
1890-1913 1913-1919	James O'Sullivan Hon Benjamin John Plunket
1913-1919	Hon Benjamin John Plunket
1913-1919 1920-1923	Hon Benjamin John Plunket Arthur Edwin Ross
1913-1919 1920-1923 1923-1927	Hon Benjamin John Plunket Arthur Edwin Ross John Orr
1913-1919 1920-1923 1923-1927 1928-1931	Hon Benjamin John Plunket Arthur Edwin Ross John Orr John Mason Harden
1913-1919 1920-1923 1923-1927 1928-1931 1932-1938	Hon Benjamin John Plunket Arthur Edwin Ross John Orr John Mason Harden William Hardy Holmes
1913-1919 1920-1923 1923-1927 1928-1931 1932-1938 1939=1957	Hon Benjamin John Plunket Arthur Edwin Ross John Orr John Mason Harden William Hardy Holmes John Winthrop Crozier
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# **Diocese of Killala and Achonry**

## **Bishops of Killala**

c. 500	Muredach
unknown	Kellach
1137	O'Mullover I
-1151	O'Mullover II
1176	Imar O'Ruaidhin
1179	O'Mullover III
1198-1206	Donald O'Becdha
1207	Cormac O'Tarpy
-1214	- O'Kelly
-1224	Maelmiure O'Conmaic
c. 1230	Elias (Elya) O'Mullover (O'Maolfogmair)
-1234	Oengus O'Mullover
-1253	Gillaceallaigh O'Rowan
1253-1275	John O'Laidigh
-1280	John O'Laidigh II
1281-1305/6	Donough O'Flaherty
1306 -	John Tanguard (Tankard)
-1343	John O'Flaibhimh (O'Flahiff)
c. 1344-1346	James de Bermingham
1347-1350	William O'Dowda

1351-c. 1390 **Robert Elyot** (1381 Tomas Lodowis) 1390-1398 **Thomas Horewell Thomas Baret** 1400-1400-1423 succession uncertain 14[??] -1423 Connor O'Connell 1427-1431 Fergal MacMartin 1431 Thady Magrath (McCreagh) 1431-1446 Bernard O'Connell 1447 **Robert Baret** 1452- c.1459 **Rory Baret** Thomas) (1453 1459/60 -1461 Richard Viel Donal O'Connor 1461 -c. 1467 1469/70 - c.1497 **Thomas Baret** (1487 John de Tuderto) Thomas Cleragh (Clerca) c. 1498-1505 1508-Malachy O'Cluain (O'Clowan) 1512-Richard Barret 1548-1569 Redmond O'Gallagher 1570-1580 Donat O'Gallagher John O'Casey 1580 1585-1607 Owen O'Connor (Eugene O'Conogher) #1607-1622 Miler Magrath 1623-1630 Archibald Hamilton Archibald Adair 1630-1640 John Maxwell 1640-1645 1645-1660 vacant 1660/61-1663 Henry Hall 1663/64-1670 **Thomas Bayly** 1671-1680 **Thomas Otway** 1680-1681 John Smith William Smith 1681 1681/82-1691 Richard Tenison 1690/91-1716 William Lloyd **Henry Downes** 1717-1720 1720-1726/27 **Charles Cobbe** 1726/27-1729 **Robert Howard** 1729/30-1735 **Robert Clayton** 1735/36-1751 Mordecai Cary 1752-1759 **Richard Robinson** 1759-1780 Samuel Hutchinson 1781-1784 William Cecil Pery 1784-1787 William Preston 1787-1795 John Law John Porter 1795-1797 1798-1810 Joseph Stock 1810-1834 James Verschoyle

#United with Achonry 1622 United with Tuam 1834

# Appendix 2: Diocesan Registry Materials Transferred to the Public Record Office, Ireland, 1970s

The following is a list of records or copies of records from the TKA Diocesan Registry located in PROI in the 1970s, compiled by Brigid Clesham at that time. (Revised June 2019). Transferred by the Very Revd Joseph Jackson (1884-1970), Diocesan Registrar 1921-1965, Dean and Rector of Tuam 1945-1966

Ref	Description	Date	Source
M6085	Accounts of tithe collector for parishes of Killfine & Moygawnagh, Co Mayo	1818	Copied from MS lent by Dean of Tuam
M6151	Copy of Vestry Book for Athenry, Diocese of Tuam, containing applotments 1827-31 & 1833	1827-70	From original temporarily deposited by Dean of Tuam
M6207	'A proxy book for the Dioceses of Killala and Achonry 1737'. Small unbound book, contains names of clergy, benefices and accounts.	1737	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, Dean of Tuam, May 1964
M6212	Print of chancel arch of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam, prior to building of present cathedral.		Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, Dean of Tuam, May 1964
M6216	Certificate of composition rent, for lands of Bishop of Killala in Moygawnagh parish, Barony of Tirawley, Co Mayo, signed by Richard Chappell, Deputy Auditor	6 Feb 1684	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6217	List of schools in vicarage of Easkey, name of master and number of pupils (8 schools, 4 maintained by Irish Baptist Society)	Late 1882	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6218	'Rental of 1816' [Diocese of Achonry], names 48 individuals, amounts due, no land particulars	1816	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6219	Rent roll of various places in Cos Mayo & Sligo	1736	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6220	'Roll of quit rents, crown rents and in charge ye barony of Tirawley anno 170' [damaged]	1700s	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6221	Draft of return of 21 year leases in Diocese of Achonry for Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Inquiry	[1833]	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6222	Return of 40 year leases under Lord Bishop near Killala for Commissioners of Inquiry	3 Jan 1833	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson 13/07/1964
M6226	Photostat of rent roll of glebes in Diocese of Killala & Achonry	3 Oct 1784	

M6227	Photostat of list of lands & tithes belonging to the Dean of Tuam	1809	
M6808	Photostat of letter from P. Aylward, V. Boetzelaerlaan 187, The Hague, Holland, to Rev. J. Jackson, describing the writer's experiences as a prisoner of war in Germany and his encounter with Sir Roger Casement.	3 Mar 1918	From original lent by Rev J. Jackson, Dean of Tuam January 1965
M6809	Photostat of record of visitation proceedings, Diocese of Killala and Achonry by Power Le Poer Trench, AB of Tuam	20 July 1820	From original lent by Rev J. Jackson
M6823	<ol> <li>Jonathon Rogers DD - Resignation of Precentorship, 1741</li> <li>Robert Berkeley DD - Resignation of Precentorship, 1786</li> <li>Rev Patrick Maxwell – Resignation of Vicarages of Kilmore, Erris &amp; Kilcommon, 1812</li> <li>Rev Thomas Kingsbury – letter of institution as Archdeacon of Killala, 1818</li> <li>A. Kelly – re planting of trees at Ardcotton &amp; ?, parish of Ballisodare, 1824</li> <li>Rev George Bermingham - Senechal of manor of Killala, 1829</li> <li>Receipts for £54 for repairs to parish church of Kilco[I]man, 3 April 1833</li> <li>Circular &amp; questionnaire from Bishop as to income &amp; outgoings etc in parishes, with view to providing data for Mr Joseph Napier MP who was engaged on an attempt to revise, assent etc law relating to church property- circular addressed to incumbent of Kilcummin &amp; signed on 4 Feb. 1850</li> <li>Letter from Francis Little to Frederick Stock, Killala re school at Dunfeeny, 16 Jan 1822</li> </ol>	1741-1850	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, Dean of Tuam 21/07/1965
M6833	Minute book or diary of proceedings in Tuam Consistorial Court	22 July 1740-2 March 1741/2	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 09/09/1965
M6834	Rent roll of property of Diocese of Killala and Achonry for half year ending 25 March	1717	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 09/09/1965
M6835	John (Law) Bishop of Clonfert to Nicholas Redington, lease of Great Abbey land, parish of Clonfert, for 21 years at £70 per annum	2 Feb 1786	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 09/09/1965
M6838	List of Protestant families in parishes of Ballysakerry and Rathrea, Co Mayo	13 Oct 1832	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 23/09/1965

M6839	Estimate for church expenses, parish of Tuam, year commencing Easter	1835	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 23/09/1965
M6947	Commissions to swear church wardens in various parishes in Diocese of Tuam, Killala & Achonry 1-9 St Nicholas, Galway, 1744, 1756, 1758, 1761, 1763, 1767, 1775, 1778, 1785 10-18 Castlebar (Aglish) 1756, 1757, 1760, 1762, 1763, 1765, 1774, 1777, 1786 19-21 Burrishoole & Kilmina 1756, 1785 22-23 Ballyhane 1760, 1764 24 Ballinrobe 25-27 Cong 1740, 1766, 1789 28 Crossboyne & Kilcolman 1744 29 Kilkerin, Clonbern & Boyannagh 1738 30 Westport 1766	18 th cent.	Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 1966
M6948	Commission of the Bishop of Killala & Achonry to value various benefices with returns Easkey, March 1812 Killala, July 1812 Ballysakerry, Feb 1813 with letter 1826		Presented by V. Rev J. Jackson, 1966
1006	Parcel of circa 50 documents	Mainly 19 th cent.	
S.R 10/2 4	Tuam Visitation Books	1796-1871	
S.R 10/2 7	Account Book of the Vicar General & Registrar of Diocese of Tuam	12 June 1846-14 Aug 1855	
S.R 10/2 8	Parochial Vestry Book Tuam	1808-71	

Note that these last 4 groups of items were among those returned to the RCB Library by PROI in 1988 (see List 1), although the Visitation Books returned only appear to cover the year 1795-1838, when the diocese ceased to be an Archbishopric.