

THE ARCHIVE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ARMAGH

The Archdiocesan Archive of Armagh holds the personal and work archives of the successive archbishops and cardinals from 1787 until 1963.

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Irish College

Richard O Reilly (1787-1818)

Biographical History

Dr Richard O Reilly was inducted coadjutor to Primate Anthony Blake on 5 June 1782 in Drogheda. After the death of the latter, O Reilly succeeded him and was primate until his own death in 1818. He lived in Drogheda and was in constant correspondence with his vicar-general Dr Henry Conwell of Dungannon.

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Patrick Curtis (1819-1832)

Archive of most reverend Patrick Curtis, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1819-1832

Biographical History

On 28 October 1819 Patrick Curtis was appointed Archbishop of Armagh, in which capacity he died on 26 July 1832.

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Thomas Kelly (1828-1835)

Archive of most reverend Thomas Kelly, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1828-1835

Biographical History

On 26 July 1832 Thomas Kelly succeeded as Archbishop of Armagh, in which capacity he died on 13 January 1835.

Scope and content:

Report on the diocese of Galway (13/10/1830)

Appointment William Quinn to parish of Lower Killeavy (05/04/1834).

William Crollly (1835-1848)

Archive of most reverend William Crollly, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1835-1848

Biographical History:

On 8 May 1835 William Crollly was appointed Archbishop of Armagh, in which capacity he died on 6 April 1849.

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Most reverend William Crollly

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Paul Cullen (1849-1852)

Archive of most reverend Paul Cullen, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1849-1852

Biographical History

Born on 29 April 1803, he was ordained priest in 1829. On 8 January 1850 he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh and ordained on 24 February in the same year. In 1852 he was appointed Archbishop of Dublin on 3 May. On 22 June 1866 he was both elevated to Cardinal and appointed Cardinal-Priest of S. Pietro in Montorio. He died 24 October 1878, still in the capacity of Archbishop of Dublin.

Scope and content:

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Archdiocese of Dublin

Joseph Dixon (1852-1866)

Archive of most reverend Joseph Dixon, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1852-1866

Biographical History

Born 1806 in Coalisland, he was ordained priest in 1829. On 21 November 1852 he was ordained Archbishop of Armagh. He died 29 April 1866.

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Archdiocese of Dublin

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Diocese of Clonfert

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Sisters of the Presentation

Sisters of the Visitation)

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Vincentian Fathers**

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Celtic Society
Irish Directory Committee, Catholic Institution for the Deaf and Dumb
Society of the Holy Childhood of our Lord
Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

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Michael Kieran (1866-1869)

Archive of most reverend Michael Kieran, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1866-1869

Biographical History:

He appointed Archbishop of Armagh on 22 February 1867. He died 15 September 1869.

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Letter from the Rector of the Irish College in Rome, T. Kirby to J. Tierney

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Daniel McGettigan (1870-1887)

Archive of most reverend Daniel McGettigan, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1870-1887

Biographical History

Daniel McGettigan was born in November 1815 in the townland of Drumdutton, the parish of Mevagh in County Donegal. He was ordained priest in 1839. In 1856 he was appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Raphoe and in 1861 he succeeded as Bishop of Raphoe. In March 1870 he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in which capacity he died in December 1887.

Scope and content:

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Abstract of Will and Codicils Sir Richard de la Straussaye

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Correspondence to Daniel McGettigan 1840-1854

Correspondence of priests 1858-1869

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Diary 1871, 1874-1877 (inclusive), 1879, 1882, 1884, 1885 (part) entries for 1872, 1873 and 1883 in relevant volumes of Ordo

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Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy

Sisters of St. Louis

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Society of the Sacred Heart

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Publications

Pamphlet – Gladstone and the Vatican Decrees – 1875

“De Contractibus in Specie” – Reverend Wm. J. Walsh

“Notulo De Locis Theologicis” – Reverend Wm. J. Walsh

Miscellaneous

Orr v Norris – copy order for Plaintiff to be at liberty to serve Notice of Decree out of the Jurisdiction (Ireland) – 4-7-1873

Miscellaneous correspondence

Michael Logue (1879-1924)

Biographical History

Born on 1 October 1840, in Carrigart, Co. Donegal, Michael Logue studied in St Patrick's College, Maynooth. Although not yet ordained a priest he was appointed in 1866 by the Irish Hierarchy to the chairs of theology and Belles Lettres in the Irish College, Paris. He was ordained a priest in December 1866 in Paris and remained on the staff of the Irish College, Paris, until 1874. He was administrator in Letterkenny in his native Raphoe Diocese from 1874-76. He then joined the staff of St Patrick's College Maynooth, 1876-79, where he held the chairs of Dogmatic Theology and Irish and the post of Dean. He was appointed Bishop of Raphoe on 13 May 1879 and ordained Bishop on 20 July 1879. He was named coadjutor Archbishop of Armagh with right of succession on 19 April 1887 and he succeeded to the Primacy on 3 December 1887. He was named Cardinal on 16 January 1893 and given the Church of St Mary of Peace, Rome, on 19 January, 1893. He died on 19 November 1924 in Ara Coeli, Armagh, and was buried in St Patrick's Cemetery, Armagh. His Episcopal motto was *In Patientia Salus* (Patience is a Virtue).

The completion, through his energy in raising over £50,000, of St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, and its dedication on 24 July 1904, was perhaps the crowning event of his primacy. He was an advocate of Home Rule and opposed to the partition of Ireland however, he did favour the Treaty of 1921. In 1923 he and the Northern Bishops felt obliged to issue a statement on the treatment of the Catholic community by the Stormont administration.

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Scope and content:

Letters of his eminence Cardinal Logue addressed to most reverend W.J. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin (as copied by reverend Dr. Toner) 1882-1921

Letters of most reverend W.J. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin addressed to his eminence Cardinal Logue 28/10/1892 – 11/1922

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Processes of beatification etc. Irish Martyrs, 1918

Second Synod of Maynooth, 1900

Provincial Synod, Armagh 1908

Drafts of letters to Holy Father

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Diocese of Kilmore, 1910
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Irish College, Paris
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St. Patrick's College, Maynooth

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Michael Cardinal Logue

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**Association Universelle des Enfants Catholique
Catholic Association
Catholic Truth Society
Dublin Peace Society
Historic Literature of Ireland
Irish Catholic Church
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Union of Catholic Workmen’s Associations of Switzerland, International
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Publications

References relating to biography Cardinal Logue

Correspondence relating to Reverend Walter McDonald's Book on "Motion.

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Patrick O'Donnell (1924-1927)

Biographical History

Born on 28 November 1855, near Glenties, Co. Donegal, Patrick O'Donnell studied at the old diocesan seminary, Letterkenny, and St Patrick's College, Maynooth. He was ordained a priest on 29 June 1880, and served on the staff of St Patrick's College, Maynooth, 1881-88, holding the chairs of Dogmatic and Moral Theology and office of prefect of Dunboyne (1884-88). He was appointed Bishop of Raphoe on 21 February 1888 and ordained Bishop on 25 March 1888. On 14 January 1922, he was appointed coadjutor Archbishop of Armagh with right of succession and became Archbishop on 19 November 1924. He acted as Apostolic Administrator of Raphoe in 1922-1923. He was created a Cardinal on 14 December 1925, and was assigned to the Church of St Mary of Peace, Rome. He died on 22 October 1927, and was buried in St Patrick's Cemetery, Armagh. His Episcopal motto was *In Hoc Signo Vinces* (By this Sign (Cross) you Shall Conquer).

Gifted as scholar, preacher and administrator, he brought his influence to bear not only on diocesan affairs but also on all the important issues that came before the country.

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Elections 1925 (Speeches of Rev. M. O'Flanagan – Attack on the Irish Hierarchy)
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**Political Manuscripts of Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell
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Political letters (anonymous)**

Education

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Guild of Journalists
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International Catholic League
Irish Catholic Church Property Insurance Company Ltd.
Irish League of Nations Society
Irish National Catholic Scouts
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Medical Benefits Committee
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Salesians

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Publications

The Catholic Press Ltd, London

Daily Chronicle, London

Derry Journal, Derry

The Freeman's Journal, Dublin

Irish News, Belfast

New York Freeman's Journal

The Times, London

Book Dr. Leen on the Mass- criticism of Dr. O'Donnell -1924

Review by Dr. O'Donnell

Historical Pamphlets

50 pamphlets on various topics, from Irish history to Irish coal and from potato culture to Irish birds

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Joseph MacRory (1928-1945)

Biographical History

Born in March 1861 in Ballygawley, Co. Tyrone, in the Archdiocese of Armagh, Joseph MacRory studied at St Patrick's College, Armagh and St Patrick's College, Maynooth. He was ordained a priest in 1885 and undertook post-graduate studies in Maynooth in 1884-86. He served on the staff of Alton Seminary, Birmingham, as Professor of Moral Theology and Sacred Scripture in 1886-87. He became the first president of St Patrick's Boys' Academy, Dungannon in 1887 where he served until 1889 when he became a member of the staff of St Patrick's College, Maynooth. He served on the staff of Maynooth in 1889-1915 during which time he held the chair of Sacred Scripture and Oriental Languages (1889), chair of Hermeneutics and New Testament Exegesis (1905) and Vice-President (1912). He was appointed Bishop of Down & Connor on 9 August, 1915, and ordained Bishop on 14 November, 1915. He was appointed Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland on 22 June 1928. He was named a cardinal on 12 December, 1929, and assigned the titular church of San Giovanni a Porta Latina. He died on 13 October 1945 and was buried in St Patrick's Cemetery, Armagh. His Episcopal motto was Fortis in Fide (Strong in Faith).

Throughout his long episcopate both in Down and Connor and in Armagh, he was foremost in promoting the 'Cause' of Beatification of Oliver Plunkett, the martyred Archbishop of Armagh. He was also devoted to the work of the foreign missions.

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Biographical History

Born on 11 October 1882, in Claremorris, Co. Mayo, John D'Alton studied at Blackrock College, Dublin, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, University College, Dublin, and the Irish College, Rome. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Dublin on 18 April 1908, in St John Lateran's Basilica, Rome. He undertook post-graduate studies (1908-10) gaining a Doctorate in Divinity in Rome and an MA in UCD. He was a member of the staff of St Patrick's College, Maynooth from 1910 to 1942, during which time he held the chairs of Ancient Classics (1912), and Greek (1922), and the offices of Vice-President (1934), and President (1936). He was appointed coadjutor Bishop of Meath with right of succession on 7 April 1942. He was ordained a Bishop on 29 June 1942 and became Bishop of Meath on 16 June 1943. He became Archbishop of Armagh on 13 April 1946, and was named a Cardinal on 12 January 1953, and was assigned the Titular Church of St Agatha, Rome. He died on 1 February 1963 in Dublin and was buried in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. His Episcopal motto was *Judicium Sine Ira* (Judgment Without Anger).

In 1952 he became the first member of the Irish Hierarchy to receive an honorary degree from Queen's University, Belfast, when he was conferred with a Doctorate in Literature. Six years later the National University of Ireland conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. His name is included on a marble tablet in the Portico of St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, naming the Bishops who attended the definition by Pope Pius XII of the Dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven on 1 November 1950.

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