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**Records of the United  
Dioceses of Ardfert &  
Aghadoe**

**1851-1974**

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**1/ Records relating to diocesan clergy**

1. Volume containing a synopsis of the ancient parishes and clergy in county Kerry, during the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries (as shown in Miss Hickman's extracts of visitation returns, 1669-1773), prepared by H. Stokes, 1873, listing clergy and dignitaries holding various parishes and diocesan appointments.  
1873 [?]
2. Clerical succession book, being a list of clergy in various parishes, compiled and corrected at several intervals  
Undated [late 19<sup>th</sup> c]

2/ **Records of the Diocesan Synod**

1. **Minute books**

1. 1870-1941 [indexed, and includes schedules of the original arrangement of the dioceses]
2. 1943-90

2. **Registers of synodsmen**

1. 1870-1969

3. **Diocesan synod resolution and agenda book**

1875-93

4. **Diocesan Synod Reports including report of the Diocesan Board of Education**

1. 1902-10 [volume]
2. 1960-68 [volume]
3. 1950; 1952; 1953; 1954; 1955; 1956; 1957; 1958 [loose]

5. **Agenda books**

[details include agendas for meetings and business resolved at both synod and council meetings and various committees of both], as follows:-

1. 1937-47
2. 1948-54
3. 1954-62
4. 1965-72

**3/ Diocesan Council records**

[see also section 2/ above for agenda books and section 6/ below for diocesan correspondence]

**1. Minute books**

1. 1870-83 [Includes schedules of attendance of meetings of individual named members; the Standing Orders of the Council, passed in 1873; schedule of parishes to be united when they become vacant; and detailed index to business conducted for individual parishes].
2. 1913-48 [indexed]
3. 1949-62
4. 1962-81
5. 1981-91

**2. Diocesan Reports [volumes]**

1. 1901-11
2. 1911-33
3. 1920-29
4. 1930-39
5. 1940-50
6. 1950-60

**3. Diocesan Council Reports to Diocesan Synod [loose]**

1. 1929
2. 1963

**4. Printed financial reports of the Diocesan Council [volumes]:-**

1. 1881-84
2. 1881-90
3. 1890-1900

**5. Loose reports relating to finances in file as follows:**

1. Revised financial plan  
1889 [two copies]
- 1a File of correspondence and related papers concerning the bishop's Annuity for the Diocese of Ardfert and Bishop's Commutation Capital, including a report by Dr Anthony

Trail, F.T.C.D., on financial deficiencies in Ardfert & Aghadoe

c. 1891-1899

2. Financial arrangement approved by the Representative Body  
[Undated, late 19<sup>th</sup> century]
3. Supplemental financial plan, approved by the Representative Body  
1900
4. Proposed reorganisation of the diocese and revised financial plan, with report of same  
1920
5. Diocesan financial plan  
1925 [3 copies]
6. Diocesan financial scheme

4/ **Accounts**

1. **Trustee Account Book**

Relating to the Clergy, Widows and Orphans Fund  
1851-1913

2. **Diocesan Treasurers' account book**

1872-76

3. **Sustentation Fund material**, as follows:-

1. Sustentation Fund ledger  
1871-1914

2. Computation book, including details of clergy, income, glebe values, comparative value of property. Very rough book, with figures inserted in an unused register of the British Association  
Undated [1870s?]

3. Sustentation Fund donation and subscription book, by parish  
1870-71

4. Small item containing a list of landlord names and sums [donated to Sustentation Fund?]  
[Undated]

5. Volume of names of subscribers, by parish  
1921-24

6. Sustentation Fund printed reports [volume]  
1871-81

4. **Material relating to stipends of clergy**, as follows:-

1. Stipend ledger [see also shelf 5]  
1909-51

2. Diocesan curates accounts ledger  
1914-50
3. Stipend fund capital account book
  1. 1917-39
  2. 1940-53
4. Diocesan stipend ledgers
  1. 1952-70 [No. 1 Account]
  2. 1952-70 [No. 2 Account]
  3. 1953-64
  4. 1965-70

**5. Miscellaneous accounts**

1. General ledger, containing details of miscellaneous diocesan accounts  
1873-1949
2. Parochial ledger  
1874-1951
3. Parochial ledger, accounting for interest on parochial credit balances  
1953-65
4. Schedules of payments made by the RCB to the diocese, as follows:-
  1. 1873-96
  2. 1897-1908
5. Miscellaneous receipts and payments ledger  
1877-1949
6. Rough assessment ledger for various accounts, including receipts for accounts, miscellaneous cash and glebes committee no. 1.  
1878-1915



7. Index to accounts drawn [?]  
Not a very extensive volume. Index of names, against which some of which is written the word 'drawn' indicating some kind of account system  
Undated [late 19<sup>th</sup> c]
8. General diocesan fund ledger  
1952-69
9. Diocesan secretary in account with the Diocesan Council ledger  
1952-74
10. Motor car loan account book  
1953-72
11. Loose revenue and expenditure diocesan accounts, in file  
1970-74

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**5/ Records relating to glebe lands**

[For some minutes of the Glebes Committee, see section D18/8 below]

**1. Glebe rent charge books**

These volumes are organised by parish

1. 1886-1922
2. 1915-28
3. 1929-56
4. 1950-54

**2. Glebe repair fund account book**

1914-74

**3. Valuation book**

Itemising glebe land values, proprietors names etc

[Undated, early 20<sup>th</sup> century]

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**6/ Records relating to diocesan education**

1. **Minute book of the Committee on Secondary Education**
  1. 1906-14
  
2. **Kilnaughton Church School account book**

Itemising sundry expenses, repairs etc.  
1940-60

7/ **Correspondence**

1. **Letter books**

These volumes contain letters received from the Representative Church Body by various diocesan authorities; together with some copies of outgoing letters.

[Indexed]

1. 1870-73
2. 1874
3. 1875
4. 1876-77
5. 1878-80
6. 1881-86
7. 1887-97
8. 1897-1902
9. 1902-07
10. 1907-14

2. **Diocesan Office outgoing letter books**

These volumes contain copies of miscellaneous letters sent from the Diocesan Office

1. 1875-76
2. 1878
3. 1882-90
4. 1900-05
5. 1905-23
6. 1923-24

3. File of correspondence relating to the diocesan canonry/  
prebendal stall of Taney in St Patrick's cathedral, Dublin, and the  
case for conjoint diocesan synods with Limerick  
1883-1884

8/ **Miscellaneous material**

1. **Minute book containing business of sundry diocesan committees**  
These include the Committee on Education; Glebes Committee; Finance Committee; the committees of various parish missions; Poor Parishes Committee and Patronage Committee  
1872-1911
2. **Glin (Ardfert)**  
File of miscellaneous materials including correspondence with the Knight of Glin and others about the need for the appointment of a resident curate for the parish and the problem of a non-residence cleric, 1888, with later glebes and property oversight of the parish, including the matter of malicious injury to the church in December 1943.  
1888; 1943-45
3. **Minute book containing business of various committees,**  
including the Committee on Tarbert Rectory; Glebes Committee  
1931-42
4. **Two bound inventories of church plate, and parochial documents** in the custody of local incumbents  
Undated [late 19<sup>th</sup> century and early 20<sup>th</sup> century]
5. **Volume containing printed Poor Law boundary schedules** correlating Church of Ireland parishes with poor law areas, with some written annotations  
Undated [mid-19<sup>th</sup> century?]