

SECTION 'J' – CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Research has shown that the following priests served the **parish of St Edmund**. Some dates derive from Baptismal Registers and are therefore approximate:

Priest	From	To	Died
John Gage	1755	1790	
James Dennett	1762	1789	
Edward Baptist Newton	1784	1788	
Charles Thompson	1790	1795	
James Lane	1800	1832	
Robert Cole	1803	1812	
Thomas Angier	1803	1826	
Henry Wright	1826	1832	
John Laurenson	1832	1834	
Joseph Tate	1835	1837	
Fr Henry Brigham	1838	1845	
Bernard Jarrett	1845	1854	
James Brownbill	1854	1867	
Edward Bird	1867	1869	
Thomas Knight	1870	1874	
Richard Sumner	1874	1877	
Joseph Lazenby	1874	1885	
Frederick de Betham	1885	1886	
Walter Strappini	1885	1887	
Charles Drake	1885	1886	
Alfred Yates	1887	1889	
Thomas Parkinson	1887	1895	
Frederick Jones	1894	1906	

Priest	From	To	Died
Roger Perrin	1889	1914	
James Foley	1900	1900	
Joseph Kenny	1900	1907	
John Benson	1904	1904	
John Gretton	1905	1907	
William Shapter	1907	1910	
David Thompson	1909	1909	
Patrick Flynn	1911	1912	
Vincent O'Gorman	1910	1925	
Timothy Courtney	1913	1915	
William Thomson	1917	1924	
Edgar Blount	1924	1927	
John McGowan	1925	1925	
Edward Field	1925	1927	
Peter Bontemps	1927	1928	
John Ashton	1927	1929	
Ernest Garnett	1929	1943	1948
Arnold Madden	1940	1940	
Frederick Lockyer	1943	1953	1954
Anthony Throckmorton	1943	1946	
David Thomson	1945	1945	
John Mossly	1946	1946	
Anthony Chadwick	1946	1948	
Gerard Conlon	1948	1954	1966
William Sharp	1951	1952	
Bryan Houghton	1954	1969	1992

Priest	From	To	Died
John Cureton	1954	1958	2005
Robert Owen	1958	1963	
Paul Casapieri	1963	1967	
Stephen Kealey	1967	1970	
Ronald Bustin	1969	1973	
Thomas Kenny	1970	1975	
James Smith	1973	1977	2011
Gerard Langley	1973	1977	1992
Arthur Speight	1975	1980	1990
Harry Wace	1977	1982	2002
Desmond Mullin	1977	1977	
Gerard Quigley	1977	1981	
Peter Leeming	1977	1980	
John McNally	1980	1982	2007
John Reffitt	1981	1981	
Gary Cawthorne	1981	1983	
Joe Farrell	1982	1983	1986
Richard Wilson	1982	1987	2010
Simon Talbott	1982	1983	
Dermot Fenlon	1982	1986	
Richard Healey	1984	1989	
John Drury	1987	1992	2005
Paul Madison	1989	1991	
Simon Blakesby	1990	1990	
Bernard Heath	1991	1993	
Gerard Quigley (returned)	1991	2000	

Priest	From	To	Died
Thomas Murray	1992	1996	
John Warrington	1992	1995	
William Mason	1993	2017	2017
Jonathan Salt	1995	1995	
John Barnes	1996	2001	
Brendan Moffatt	1996	1999	
Dom Edmund Eggleston	1997	2001	
Philip Shryane	2001	2014	
Paul Mercer	2001	2016	2016
Martin Fears	2006	2007	
Mark Hackeson	2014	2019	
Alvan Ibeh	2015	2018	
Peter Sok Na	2017	2017	
Peter Marsh (retired)	2016		
John Warrington (returned)	2018	2019	
Richard White (retired)	2018		
Gerard Quigley (retired)	2018		
Jaylord Magpuyo	2018	2022	
Michael Griffen	2019	2019	
Johane Antonio Nguluwe	2019	2019	
David Bagstaff	2019	2023	
Mike Brookes	2019	2021	
Walter Chenyika	2022	2023	
Anil Zachery	2022	2023	
Sean Connolly	2023		
Mark Ashwood	2023		

Deacons:

Paul Mercer (deceased)	1991
William Mason (deceased)	1992
Christopher Heath (deceased)	1996
David Ward	1996
Alan McMahon	2006

Records show that the below named served **Lawshall**. Some dates derive from Baptismal Registers or other documents and are therefore approximate:

Priest	From	To	Died
James Dennett SJ	1733	1784	
Edward Baptist Newton SJ	1784	1787	
Served from Bury St Edmunds	1787	1795	
Peter Jenkins SJ	1795	1800	
John Talbot SJ	1799	1801	
Francois Marie	1801	1823	1823
Louis Pierre Simon	1824	1834	
Served from Bury St Edmunds	1834	1838	
James O'Neill	1838	1841	
Thomas Rimmer	1841	1855	
B Shanley	1843	1844	
R P Gates	1843	1855	
William Poole	1855		
Christopher Scott	1863	1865	
Patrick Rodgers	1865	1885	
Robert Tab	1885	1885	
George Heitman	1886		
George Miles	1886	1890	

Priest	From	To	Died
Augustine Alfred Wilkinson	1890	1925	
Edmund Legros SJ	1925	1938	
Francis Ethelbert Sammons	1936	1949	
Edgar Hardwick	1949	1955	1971
Gerard Quigley	2000	2018	
Peter Marsh (retired)	2016	2018	
Served from Bury St Edmunds	2018		

LIST OF ASSETS PAST AND PRESENT

This Section has sought to identify assets during the time of the Jesuits in Bury St Edmunds and thereafter. Included are references to some events, for example redecoration of the Church. The list does not purport to comprehensively describe items currently in the Church and Chapel; this will be part of an ongoing project by members of the History Group to create an inventory to assist the recording of the future movement of assets. It will be restricted for reasons of security because its content will include items of value or those not publicly displayed.

	Item	Cost	From	To	Comment
1	Document			1728	States 'that the books and the effects belonging to the old school remained at Bury St Edmunds' until removed by Fr Shireburn
2	Church building including pews, altar, altar rails, organ,	£9,400	1837		
3	Candlesticks, six		1837		
4	Flower vases, six		1837		
5	Church painted	£616	1838		By Mr Fairs
6	Memorial to Hon Chas Berney Petre		1854		
7	Apse painting of the Ascension		Circa 1855		Referred to in White's directory 1855
8	Gurney stove	£48	1870		First used 30 November 1870
9	Library water closet		1871		
10	House painted	£32 18s 11d	1875		Painted by Wilson
11	New organ	£79 15s 3d	1875	1912	Sold to priest at Luton
12	Processional cross	£2 17s 6d	1875		
13	Church decorated	£265	1875		By Park of Preston
14	Scaffolding	£48	1875		
15	Stations of the Cross	£19	1875		

16	House painted	£33	1876		By Wilson
17	Easel	£23	1876		By May and Brook. Written on piece of paper in Fr Lazenby's diary
18	Organ	£79	1876		
19	Tombstone for Fr Gage	£13	1877		
20	Sanctuary lamp	£30	1877		Given by Irish drovers
21	Stations of the Cross	£6	1877		
22	Statue of St Edmund	£19	1877		Given by Mrs Milner Gibson
23	Painting – Martyrdom of St Edmund		1878		Given by Gery Milner Gibson Cullum – copy (by Duckett) of original by De la Fosse
24	Altar cloth with crown and arrows depicted		1878		Made and presented by nuns from East Bergholt
25	Processional banners, some new		1878		
26	High Mass vestments, red	£34	1878		Made by Herrmann
27	Alms box from Hoxne oak		1878		Originally from Sir Edward Kerrison, given by Mrs Milner Gibson
28	Statue of Sacred Heart	£8 10s 0d	1879		
	House painted	£28 11s 3d	1879		By Stable
29	Vestment, best white		1879		
30	Large plain candlesticks, three		1879		
31	Brussels carpet, with border, in the Sanctuary		1881		Given by Mrs Milner Gibson
32	Authenticated relic of St Edmund		1881		Mrs Milner Gibson applied via Miss Forbes Leith to Cardinal Duprez for relic (no description) which was provided
33	Library opened		1882		

34	Processional canopy on four poles		1883		
35	Statue of Our Lady of Lourdes, 5'8" high on pedestal of four feet		1883		Purchased from Perry and Co, London. Given by Captain Rushbrooke
36	Torn red vestment		1884		Required mending
37	Vestments, two sets, white		1884		One set given by nuns of Roehampton, other set by Rev Fr Provincial (Jesuit property)
38	Vestment, white		1884		Purchased from Norwich
39	New confessional		1885		In the second sacristy
40	New benches, six		1885		For the poor
41	Altar cloths, two, white		1885		
42	Bookcases, two		1885		From Norwich
43	New altar candles		1885		
44	Artificial plants		1885		
45	Altar redecorated		1886		
46	New altar cloth	£3	1886		Made by nuns
47	Vestments, three		1886		Given by Rev Fr Provincial (Jesuit property)
48	Amices, six		1886		Given by Rev Fr Provincial (Jesuit property)
49	Purificators		1886		Given by Rev Fr Provincial (Jesuit property)
50	New carpet for Sacred Heart altar				
51	New alb		1886		
52	Part of old library converted to Sodality Chapel		1886		
53	New vase		1886		
54	Lavabo	£1 1s 0d	1886		

55	Hangings for the pulpit		1886		Worked and given by Miss Nunn
56	Book cover, white		1886		Worked by Mrs Murphy(?)
57	Crucifix for High Altar		1886		
58	Swell and additional manual added to organ		1886		
59	Semi-circular cushions for altar steps		1886		
60	Vestment, white		1886		Given by Mrs Murphy (or Morpley)
61	Picture of St Lucy		1890		Given by Mr Todd
62	£1,000		1890		Given by Captain Rushbrooke to assist choir and organist
63	Benedictine furniture and vestments		1894		Damaged by fire
64	Church bell installed		1896		
65	Church walls cleaned	£34	1900		
66	Carved statue of St Edmund		Circa 1900		
67	Relic of St Edmund		1901		Exposition of relic at Church (relic subsequently discredited)
68	New flagstaff		1903		
69	Church cleaned		1903		
70	Marble plaque to commemorate members of the Rushbrooke family		Circa 1906		
71	Roof above the porch rebuilt		1907		
72	Chandeliers for Sanctuary		1912		Given by Countess Adele Cadogan
73	New organ	£587	1912		Mr and Mrs Johnston contributed £467. Old organ sold for £35 – Fr O'Connor of Luton eventually paid after complaint was made

74	Organ loft alterations	£36	1912		
75	Carpet outside the Sanctuary		1913		Given by Mr Eyre
76	Electric apparatus for organ	£74	1915		Given by Miss B S Taylor
77	Vestments repaired	£20	1915		
78	Carpet for Sanctuary	£40	1916		Given by congregation
79	Wrought iron railings beside Church frontage	£18 17s 6d	1916		
80	Church windows repaired	£18 7s 3d	1916		
81	Hot water pipes in Church	£128	1917		Given by Mr Eyre and congregation
82	Two ventilators	£32	1917		
83	Hot water introduced to Church	£60 6s 0d	1919		
84	Books – around 2,000 retained, worthless ones cast out for £8 4s 6d		1919		Moved from the Crypt to the Presbytery
85	Sacred Heart marble altar	£590	1921		Given by Mr Hervey, supplied by Jones and Willis, London
86	Candlesticks, five, for Sacred Heart altar		1921		Given by daughters of Mr Hervey
87	Renovation of apse painting and lighting above	£38	1921		
88	Crucifix		1922		Given to Fr O’Gorman by Mrs Gurney – allowed to hang in the Convent first room (Jesuit property)
89	Statue of Our Lady, marble		1922		Given from the estate of Mrs Milner Gibson (as per letter from Patridge and Wilson of 7 December 1921). Property of the Church.
90	Ciborium	£20	1924		Given by Fr O’Gorman (Jesuit property)

91	Hangings of the Sacred Heart altar	£7 0s 9d	1925		Given by the Misses Hervey
92	Hangings of the Lady Altar	£18 0s 3d	1925		
93	Statue of St Theresa the Little Flower	£7 10s	1925		From voluntary subscriptions
94	Statue of St Anthony	£7			Given by Miss Home or Mrs Horne (?)
95	Votive candle stand	£18 0s 3d	1925		
96	Stone cross on top of the Church replaced	£15 4s 6d			Expense defrayed by Sir Pierce Lacy
97	Two flags	£3 11s 0d	1925		
98	Painting, gas stoves and electrical fittings for house	£120 10s 6d	1925		
99	Hangings at the statue of Our Lady	£24 16s 9d	1925		
100	Votive stand	£10 4s 3d	1925		
101	Candles for high altar	£8.14s 0d	1925		
102	Holy oil stocks	£3 10s 6d	1925		
103	Holy water stoup	£1 3s 7d	1925		
104	High altar redecorated, large candlesticks re-gilded	£41 17s 0d	1925		
105	New Stations of the Cross, each accompanied by a brass tablet showing donors' names		1926		In 2012 the brass tablets were removed
106	Porch and sacristies redecorated		1926		Through subscriptions
107	Books, about 5,000 in total			1928	Distributed to Jesuit houses
108	Chalice, known as a 'Rookwood chalice'			1928	Originally given by Elizabeth Rookwood, sent to Heythrop
109	Monstrance, large			1928	Originally presented to Fr Blount on leaving Worcester, sent to St Beuno's

110	Monstrance, small			1928	Sent to Stamford Hill
111	Cope, white			1928	Originally presented to Fr Blount on his Jubilee sent to Heythrop
112	Chasuble, thought to be mediaeval			1929	
113	Furniture, best items from the house			1928	Sent to Heythrop
114	War memorial in the porch	£45		1928	Unveiled by Sir Pierce Lacy 23 October 1928

1929: Departure of the Jesuits

	Item	Cost	From	To	Comment
115	Redecoration of the statue of the Sacred Heart		1932		
116	New pole for banner of St Edmund		1938		
117	Processional cross		Circa 1954		
118	Church redecorated		1959		
119	Frames surrounding Lady Altar and Chapel installed		1959		
120	Porch door surrounds installed		1959		
121	Wall plaque inscribed 'Oct 1960 in thanks B H'		1960		
122	Creation of shrine to St Edmund		1960		
123	Bath used as the altar		1964	2013	Sold at auction
124	Teeth of St Edmund, three, within altar		1964		Removed by persons unknown – not present at time of disposal of bath
125	Memorial plaque 'D D George Pemberton'		1965		
126	Memorial plaque to B H				

127	Candlesticks, four		1973		
128	Glazed door to Chapel		1978		
129	Church redecorated		Circa 1980		
130	Access ramp with commemorative brick		1982		
131	Books, 637, audio tapes 319		1987		
132	Carving of the Madonna		1987		
133	Baptismal font		1996		
134	Tapestries, nine, depicting martyrdom of St Edmund		2002		
135	Icon of Christ Pantocrator		1999		
136	Icon of St Alban		2000		
137	Cambodian processional cross Christ the Amputee		2006		
138	40 chairs for Chapel	£3200	2012		
139	Carpeting of Chapel		2012		
140	New altar		2014		
141	New carpeting of Church		2014		
142	New lighting in Church		2014		
143	Relic of St Alban Roe		2014		
144	Relic of St Thomas Reynolds		2014		
145	Relic of St Ignatius of Loyola		2014		
146	Unauthenticated relics of unknown Saints				
147	Church bell converted to remote timer operation		2014		
148	Credence tables, two		2014		
149	Mar Thoma Cross		2015		

150	Improvements to sound system		2016		
151	Statue of St Thomas		2016		
152	Statue of St Lorenzo Ruiz		2016		
153	Statue of		2016		
154	Tree (Sorbus Vilmorinii)		2017		
155	Tabernacle and free-standing lamp		2018		
156	Chalice of Spanish or Flemish origin, circa 1600		2018		
157	Silver paten		2018		
158	Welcome sign		2022		Depiction of St Edmund and wolf, carved by Clint Rose
159	Pair of stands for holy water stoups		2022		

SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND A SIGNPOST TO FURTHER RESEARCH

This publication has been compiled from a variety of sources, including those listed below. Of necessity it has excluded a considerable amount of other information that has been researched but which remains available to those who might wish to delve deeper into the history of St Edmund's Parish.

- *The Present From Our Past* - St Edmund's History Group
- Documents held at Suffolk Archive Office, Bury St Edmunds
- Census records
- Various editions of the *Bury and Norwich Post and Suffolk Herald* and the *Bury Free Press*
- *Records of the English Province of the Society of Jesus* – Henry Foley
- *Yesterday's Town Bury St Edmunds* – Margaret Statham
- Kelly's Directories (various dates)
- *Genealogical Collections Illustrating the History of Roman Catholic Families of England* – Henry Lawson and others
- *Gentlemen's Magazine 1848*
- *The Oakes Diaries* - edited by Jane Fiske
- Information from the Diocesan Archives at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich
- Information from the archives maintained by the Society of Jesus at Farm Street, St Beuno's, Heythrop and Stonyhurst
- Registers maintained at St Edmund's Parish Church, Westgate Street, Bury St Edmunds
- Various Church 'blotters' and bulletins
- Editions of *The East Anglian Guild Magazine*
- Editions of Diocesan Yearbooks and Calendars
- Diocese of Northampton Centenary Souvenir 1850 – 1950
- *The Pilgrim Parish Magazine 150th Anniversary 1837 - 1987*

- Records of interments at Bury St Edmunds Cemetery
- Various written works of Joy Rowe
- Various written works of Francis Young
- The Buildings of England by Nikolaus Pevsner
- The Faithful Few, A History of Norfolk Roman Catholics 1559 – 1778 by F J Devany
- Information supplied by Marian Read
- Records of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC)
- Various military records, Regimental records
- Grave/memorial tablet locations as shown in Section 'G'. Cemetery plans can be downloaded from the CWGC website <http://www.cwgc.org/>
- Grave headstone photographs as shown in Section 'G', courtesy of The War Graves Photographic Project. Copies of these and photographs of memorials can be obtained for a small charge through <http://www.twgpp.org/>
- Suffolk Regiment Museum Records
- Websites relating to the Cambridgeshire Regiment:
<http://www.1914-1918.net/cambridge.htm>
http://www.suffolkregiment.org/cambridgeshire_history.html
http://www.cofepow.org.uk/pages/armedforces_r_camb.html
- Cambridgeshire Regiment archives held at Cambridgeshire Record Office, Cambridge
- Various Regiment and RAF Squadron Web sites
- Battalion war diaries
- Information and photograph supplied by the family of Karel Valach (deceased)
- *A Simple Story* - Elizabeth Inchbald
- *Suffolk Summer* - John T Appleby
- *A Nun's Story* - Sister Agatha with Richard Newman

- *Prêtre rejeté* - Rev B R S Houghton
- *Taught to be Good* - John Saunders