

Tipperary Material in Ossory Archives

Fearghus Ó Fearghail

The manuscript collection of Canon William Carrigan which is kept in the archives of St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny, contains some valuable material relevant to Co. Tipperary. Much of it is contained in wills which Carrigan copied because of their relevance to priests or because of a Kilkenny connection. Carrigan was particularly interested in priests' wills and administration bonds of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries since in the absence of many ecclesiastical records, these provide valuable information especially for parish succession lists.¹ He also combed eighteenth century newspapers and magazines for priests' obituaries, of which he has a great number, and for more general information on people and events.² Another useful source for information on the clergy is provided by subscription lists.³ While he concentrated on his own diocese of Ossory and used much of this information in his history of the diocese,⁴ he gathered information on priests of all the Irish dioceses, but particularly on those bordering Ossory.⁵ In a number of cases these supplement the information contained in the edition of the Skehan index published in 1993 by the late archbishop of Cashel, Tomás Ó Muiris.⁶

Ossory diocesan archives contains a small number of documents that add to the information on Cashel priests. At Christmas 1792 the newly consecrated Archbishop Bray of Cashel sent a number of Cashel students, some of whom were probably priests, to the new seminary in Kilkenny.⁷ They were among a group of eighteen students, mostly from Cashel and Waterford, who began their ecclesiastical studies at this stage. They joined twelve students who had begun their seminary course the previous September in what was a quiet but historic venture – the provision once again of ecclesiastical studies in Ireland, the first such course in Ireland for many years, a year before Carlow and three years before Maynooth. Indeed the earliest identifiable ordinations from the Kilkenny seminary are of two Cashel students, in 1795 and 1796. The college only has partial lists (prize lists) of those who entered before 1811, but O'Carroll collected the names of some of these students.⁸ The documents in the Ossory Diocesan Archive give a close approximate date of ordination for a number of these and help to fill in lacunae and correct some of the information in Tomás Ó Muiris's invaluable work.

Wills

128,2

Thomas Ryan, of Mullinahone, gent.,⁹ to be burd in chapple of Mullinahone between the pulpit and the door in the men's chapple; my plate to be sold & the proceeds distributed among the poor of the Parishes of Kilvemnon, Modeshal & Izoldkerine; to Thomas Carew of

Co. Tip., gent, a debt due to me by note of Edward Galway Esq. to be applied for my intrn. as the sd Thomas Carew shall think proper; all rest to sd Thomas Carew and my bror Daniel Ryan, both of whom I appoint my exrs.

Febr. 9th 1777-Febr. 12th 1777.

Timothy Maher, town of Cullen; exrs my P.P. Mr. Nicholas Griffith⁰ & another.
May 17th 1770

Charles McCarthy, Goolden, gent.; The Rev. Edmund Marnane,¹¹ P.P. Goolden at date of will.
Aug. 11th 1779

128,3¹¹

Redmond English, Poulacapple, in By of Slievardagh & Compsey: Exrs. Mr. Thomas Carew, Mullinahone, Mr. Cornelius Shee of Ballytohill & Ellen Shee my wife. To be burd in churchyard of Grange.

Apl 2nd 1777-June 19th 1781

Bryan Kelly, of Cashel, gent.; to my cousin William Cormick of Brittas, Co. Kilkenny £100 and he is appointed one of the exrs.

Feb. 6th 1790

Mathias Darcy, Coumnageehy, Barony of Kilnamanagh, farmer: £1.2.9 to my P.P. Ino McNamara.¹²

April 8th 1779

128,3-4

Wm Bourke, of Loughmore, Co. Tipy, gent.,¹³ youngest son of the late William Bourke of Summer Hill, Co. Tip., deceased; to be burd in church of Glankeen; to my sister Margaret Meagher als. Bourke £200; to my bror-in-law Gilbert Meagher of Loughmore, gent. £300, and to his dr Mary Meagher £100; to my sister Judith Cooke als. Bourke £100 & to each of her 4 children George, William, Robert & Ellen Cooke £50 when they are 21; a horse to each of my brors Andrew & Richard Bourke & all his other goods.

Oct. 17th 1794-Dec. 20th 1794.

Mathew Byrne of Mellisan, Co. Tip.; to my wife Elizabeth Byrne als. Strange £1,000; to my dr Mary Byrne £1,500; to my sister Anne Byrne £100; all rest to my son Michael Byrne; exrs. my brother John Byrne and my uncle John Fitzpatrick of Urlingford; Wss. William Purcell, M.D., Michael Mackey, Danl Delany

Oct. 13th 1795-Nov. 22nd 1795

128,5

Daniel Meagher, Tullow McJames, gent.: to be buried in Templetohey; my lands of Tullow McJames commonly known as Lissatinnagh & Finnanes, (which I hold jointly with John Byrne, gent. from Michael Maher of Thurles), to Gilbert [Meagher] of Loughmore Esq. & sd John Byrne of Boulibegg, Queen's Co., gent., for certain purposes, viz. they paying to my mother Mary Meagher als Bourke £20 a year, and after her death to John Green, only son

of Nicholas Green of Thurles, gent; to my sisters Bridget, wife of John Dwyer, & Margaret, wife of aforesd Nicholas Green; to my nephew Charles Byrne a mare; to my nephew John Cook a horse; residuary legatees my sisters Margaret Green & Bridget Dwyer.
Feb. 19th 1795-Jan. 11th

128,6

Phillip Fogarty, Bolleduff [Inch P.], Co. Tip.: to my P.P. Rev. Thomas Howard £1.2.9.⁴
Dec. 14th 1790

John Kennedy, Newtown, Co. Tip., gent.,⁵ to Rev. Mr. Denis Kennedy,⁶ P.P. Ardcrone 1 guinea and my pixis; to the Rev. Mr. Francis Kennedy⁷ 11/4 ̄; to the Rev. Mr. Hyacinth Kennedy⁸ (O.P. Lorha 1756) 11/4 ̄; and the like sum to the Rev. Mr. Wm. Kennedy P.P. Barna⁹ for their praying for my soul; to the poor of the parish of Lorha and Durro 30/-, and my two vestments to the same two parishes; to be burd. in St. Dominick's Abbey at Lorha as near as possible to where my 2 sisters are burd.; gives some confidential commission to Mr John Kennedy, Coolrush.

Testator's signature seems not an old hand

Dec. 23rd. 1757 - [not proved]

Endorsed "ffar. John's will"

128,9-10

Conly Egan, Kivanistown [Kibarrory P.?]; to be interd at Nenagh; "Item I bequeath to Mr. Patrick Horigan my two horses, my four cows, my few sheep and all the other cattle I now possess or hereafter shall die possessed of for the good services he has heretofore done me as also towards the defraying of my funeral expences and paying two crowns to each clergyman that will assist at my burial and months mind by his directions. Item I bequeath to Mr. Joseph Farrell [Shuirgne, will dated 1767] als. Dulen all the household goods, vestments, books, saddles and all other the worldly substance I shall die possessed of together with a plate chalice left me by my brother for the manifold favours he has conferred on me and in the paymt of a five pound bond I perfected to him some years past. Item I appoint and constitute Mr. Connor Hogan of Carrigagoun and Mr. Willm Maddin of Garrynacurra, execrs of this my last will and testament". [Above extract gives all the bequests]. Signed,

Conly McEgan

Wss Connor Mooney, Oliver Deane, James Kennedy

March 6th 1738/9-Sept. 19th 1739

128,10

Charles Egan, Ballymas, Co. Tip., gent., to be burd in the Abbey of Luragh: "I doe also bequeath and leave to the clergy five pound to be disposed of as Father James Kennedy my parish priest shall think proper²⁰.....I order that all my stock and goods by sold and the abbey of Nenagh to get five pounds, I order a crown to William Hogan for Lurragh, and the remainder to John Carroll of Lisheen. I constitute my exrs Thomas Ledger and William Faulkner gent., and John Carroll of Lisheen. I leave to John Egan of Corvil ten pounds if it be after the other legacies.

March 9th 1741/2-March 15th 1741

128,12

Margt Crean, Borriskean: to my P.P. Father Molony £1.2.9. John Tuohy, Corroughanody, Co. Tip.: _ guinea to be given to Rev., John Kennedy P.P.
Killeen
March 14th 1806

128,13

Mary Hovenden Carroll, Borrisokeane: to Father Hogan, my P.P. ten guineas
1811

Patrick Kennedy, Nenagh: Rev. Ambrose O'Connor, P.P. Nenagh, to be guardian
March 2nd 1824

128,65-69

In the name of God, Amen. William Lanegan of Clonegose in the County of Tipperary, gen. being weake of body but strong of mind and memory Doe make this my last will and testamt. revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made ratifyyng and confirming this as my last will and testament.

first I bequeat my soule to God, and my body to the Earth from whence it came to be interred in the Church of Modeshell and as for what worldly substance God was pleased to bestoe on me I leave and bequeath as followeth:

Imprimis my will and deisre is that my debts, rents, servnts. wages be paid before any legassys, or any distribution be made of any of my goods and Chattles.

2ndly I leave and bequeath to my son Patrick Lanegan five pounds and noe more.

3rdly. I leave my Daughter Ann Lanegan fifty shillings and noe more

4thly I leave and bequeat to my Daughter Mary Lanegan als. tobyn five pounds and noe more.

5thly I leave and bequeath to my brother in Law James Grace one young new milcks Cow wth her calfe.

6thly I leave and bequeath to my brother thady Lanegan the sum of one pound & noe more.

7thly I Leave and bequeath to my sister Anastace one pound and noe more.

8thly I Leave and bequeath unto my sone John Lanegan to my sone Valentine Lanegan and my sone George Lanegan my farme and Lease of Clonegose, and my will and desire is that in case any diferences should hapen twixt my aforesd. sones John, Vallentine and George tuching and consarning any divition that may be made by them consarning the sd. farme that they shall be Lead and satisfied as Mr. Brien Meagher and Mr. Grace shall thinke fitt, for my will is that they be share and share Like in the Farme.

9thly My will and desire is that Father Thady Croagh be paid one pound in hopes he will allwise pray for me.

10thly I desire that four pounds may be ordered and paid towards the Cleargy and burryyng of me.

11thly I Leave and bequeath to both my friends Brien Meagher and Redmond Grace, the two best of my horses or mares.

12thly My will and desire is that after those Legassys and debts are paid that all my

goods, Chatles and other parsonall Estate, be divided into three partes, and that my best beloved wife shall have and injoy one parte therof, My Daughter Catheren Lanegan the second parte, and the theird and Last parte, my will and desire is that it be divided twixt my sone John Lanegan, James Lanegan, Valentaine Lanegan and George Lanegan share and share like, and if my sone James Lanegan be not now alive or that he should hapen to die before he should come into the country my will is that my son John Lanegan shall have his share and proportion and that John shall in the mene time receive his share and convert it to the best advantage he can for James use until he comes or knows of his death.

13thly My will and desire is that though I desire my goods, Chattles and other personall Estate should be divided into three equall partes betwixt my wife and children in maner and forme aforesd. yet my will and desire is that none shall be concerned in my farme of Clonegose but my sones John, Vallentine and George.

14thly This I make my Last will and testament under my hand and seale this thirteenth day of Apr.1722, and do nominat, Constitute and appoint Mr. Brien Meagher and Mr. Redmond

Grace execrs. of this my last will and testamt.

Signed, sealed and delivered

in presence of us and when

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ye word five pounds was

Willm X Lanegan

made fifty shillings

mark

Thos. (?) Langford

David Oldis James Grace

1722

Endorsed: "Testament Gulielmi Lanegan de Clonegoose pbati in coi forma p. Mar. Lanagan viduam 11 die Julii 1722"

Ap. 13th 1722-July 11th 1722

72,4

Grany Kelly als Hurly, of Derrynaslen [CloghJordan], Co. Tip.: to St. Francis Abby, Nenagh 10/, to the Abby of Lorha 10/-, to my P.P. ffa James McIngowan 10/-, to fa Donnogh Kenedy curate of Killbarrane²¹ 20/-

Aug 20 1697

72,8

Peter Roth, Clonmel, gent.: to wife Cornelia Roth [als Wright] a third of all property; 4 drs Ann, Mary, Ellinor and Rose all the rest; to brother William Roth £100. "Item I leave to his Grace, John Lord Archbishop of Cashel the sum of £13., Item I leave to Father Luke White 20/-²², to the Convent of Clonmel £5, to be distributed among the R.C. Clergy of Waterford, Callan & Kilkenny £5 to each place, to the Convent of Carrick 20/-, to my special friend Father Edmond Fleming 12/-, to fathr ffrancis Daniel, far William Daniel, fJohn Woodlock, Far Morish Doyle, far William Bourk,²³ .far. James Daniel²⁴ and far William Tobin²⁵ 10/- each June 15th 1693-July 7th

72,20

Edmond Thobin, of Tenraheen, Co.Tip.:to be burd with ancestors in Kilvemnon; to my

parish priest Edmond Butler one guinea.
July 22 1747

Denis Dwyer, Glangarr, Co. Tip., Parish of Doon: my P.P. far Nicholas Hayes to be one of the execrs.
May 5 1752

Patrick Doran, Fethard, skinner, leaves Mr. Mathias Dwyer £1.14.1.1/2, to Nicholas Fitzpatrick £1.2.9, to Michael Brian 10/- to John Healy 8.1 1/2, to Thadeus Biragra 8.1 1/2, to John Manning 8.1 1/2, to John Meagher 8.1/2
Nov., 8 1754

James Birhagra, Touratagart [Killoscully P.], Co. Tip., farmer: to my P.P. Rev. William Kennedy £3.
March 3 1756

72,21

Elan Gready made her will in virtue of a verbal will made by her husband Darby Gready, in presence of Rev. Kearny Popish Priest of Killmurry: she bequeaths to my Parish Priest Father Ryan 10/10
May 23 1758

Laurence Lonergan, Gortnecrohy, Co. Tipperary, Parish Priest of Ballingarry: to be burd in Ballingarry.
May 10 1758-May 14 May 1759

Patrick Morrissy, Knockourugh, Co. Limerick, yeoman: o my Parish Priest Denis Heffernan²⁶ 1/2 guinea.
Oct.29 1762

William Brien, Clonine, Barony of Killnamane, Co. Tip.: to my P.P. William Quinlan 11-4 1/2.²⁷
March 14 1746

Michael Fihane, of Thurles, Parish Priest:²⁸
Sept. 20 1765-Nov.13 1765

Father Thady Fogarty P.P. Cashel mintoned in wills of 1750 & 1763.

James Fogarty, Ballanlonty, Co. Tipperary, 1755 was, I think, an M.D., was rich, was mard to Brien Murphy's sister but had no issue. Left £1,000 to Brien Murphy, his brother-in-law, living in Ballintesken, Co. Kilkenny, and some hundreds of pounds to each of Brien's sisters.

72,24

Charles Egan, ballymas, Co. Tip.: "I bequeath to the clergy £5 to be disposed of as Father James Kennedy my P.P. shall think proper.
March 9 1741/2

72,31

John Shee Grangemockler, Co. Tip. gent.: to be burd. in Grangemockler; wife Ellis Walsh; son, Wm Shee; my dr. Margaret Shee; "Item I leave to ffather Richard Shee praying for my soule one pound sterl.; I leave unto Thomas Boorke 5/-, Item I leave and bequeath unto ffather William Shee praying for my soule £1, Item I leave unto ffather Edmund Meagher parish priest of Grangemockler praying for my soule tenn shillings sterl.;"²⁹ my dr. Joan; my son Henry Shee; my son Wm. and my wife execrs.; my eldest son Robert Shee & my son in law James fforstall overseers.

Dec.14 1650 - Feb.29 1658 proved by Richard Shee, Adam Shee, Thomas Shee and Walter Shee, of Blenelyn, Co. Tip., gents., children of this sd. testator, on their own behalf and on behalf of the other children James, Ellen & Ellinor Shee, minors. In this administration grant testator is described as of Ballyloghdduff, Co. Tip. His son William was then dead.

72,36

Harry Comerford, Polacaple, Co. Tip., gent.: to be burd. in Cullan (sic); to my bror Thomas Comerford overseer; to my wife Catherine my michan 1/3rd. of everything; remainder to my brothers James, Thomas and Patrick Comerford.

Aug.13 1632-1632

Wss. Richard O'Shea, parochus, John (his mark) O Magher &c.,

72,43

John Grainger, Shrugavadda, Co. Kilky.: "I bequeath to the poor of the parish of Ballylooby, Co. Tip., to be distributed to them by the Rev. Mr. Healy³⁰ or successor" 1 guinea yearly. Several bequests for Masses.

March 5 1786-April 29 1786

72,67

Rev. James Butler, of Callan,³¹ leaves £10 to be distributed by Rev. John Meagher of Shangerry [Parish of Mowny], Co. Tipperary,³² amongst the poor of Callan parish; execrs. Rev. John Meagher and Thomas Ryan of Whitechurch, Co. Tip. I leave to the Rev. Thomas Bourke of Kilkenny, clk. a guinea.

May 20 1768-June 1 1769. Proved by his sister Elizabeth, wife of George Bryan of Callan.

72,68

Thady Meara, Nenagh, Co. Tip. gent. "I leave and bequeath unto Rev. Cornelius Cormick of Nenagh £2 5 6 ster."

Oct. 3 1766-July 4 1769 (Prerog.)

72,68-69

Daniel Carroll of Nenagh, gent. to be buried with his mother; to my father, to my sisters Nancy & Catherine when of age; to my brother Michael; to my sisters Mary Lawlor, Elizabeth Forrister & Margaret Hogan; to my nephew Daniel Carroll now an apprentice to my brother-in-law Philip Hogan; to my aunts Catherine Towers, Margaret Mullowny; and I leave and bequeath unto father William Hogan, friar, 30/- ster., unto father Francis Kinnedy and Bryan O'Loughlin, friars, £1.2.9; a lawsuit already instituted by my uncle Michael Carroll

against the executors of my uncle Dr. Daniel Carroll
Jan. 15 1749-Febr. 1st 1749

72,69

[Dr.] Cornelius Cormick of Nenagh, gent. "I bequeath unto my superior Doctor McMahon one guinea and to father Mathew Molony and William Meara half a guinea apiece to be given them for their two days attendance, and I bequeath to Rev. John Dunn of Litter the like sum of half a guinea for the like attendance." Executors, Mathew Morres of Nenagh, gent., and my nephew Reverend John Ryan and James Quinlin of Nenagh.

May 30 1773-June 23 1773

Endorsed: "Doctor Cormick's will"

72,69-70

Mathew Geran, P.P. Silvermines: Wss., Joseph White, Edmond Gleeson, Michael Keating & Miles Molony.

Aug. 10 1776-April 3

When signing his will testator states he was on his death bed and had received all the last rites of the Church.

72,70

Patrick Hourigan, sick and weak of body &c; to every P.P. of our Conference, as also to ffar Edmd Scanlan³³ 2 English crowns sterl., as also to Mr Pat McDonagh £1.10.; to Mr Mathew Geran³⁴ £1.10s, over and above his portion as P.P.; I also bequeath to Mr Francis Nolan £1.3; I constitute Mr Mathew Geran of Bawn and Mr John Hogan [P.P. Toomevara]³⁵ of Ard Corboy execrs.

Aug.13 1748-Feb.28 1748

Ws John Kelly

Endorsed: "The last will and testamt of the Reverend Mr Patt Hourigan not to be broken open but in the presence of Mr Mathew Geran of Bawne and Mr John Hogan of Ard Corboy".

72,161

Will of Rev. Father James Meagher, of Cashel,³⁶ dated Sept. 11th 1768 & signed by testator with his X mark; all to 2 laics including interest in 2 houses in Cashel. Not proved.

Endorsed "The original last will of James Meagher late of the city of Cashel, Popish Priest deceased. 1768"

"Condemned by decree"

(The will apparently valid in every way. A forgery?)

72,162

John Wright, Cloneen, Co. Tip.³⁷: to my daughter Catherine Sillito my farm of Mullinoly, Co. Tip; to my son-in-law George Miles £100 being remainder of his fortune with my daughter Margarit; to my daughter Mary £24 a year; to my daughter Rebecca my farm of Cloneen; to my sons John & Bernard & my brother Thomas £10; to one of my grandsons Bernard Wright or John Wright £10 a year out of the profits of Cloneen when he comes to

14 provided he be trained up in Protestantism & continues in it. Execrs William Marteham of New Abbey, Co. Tip. & Edward Briscoe of Garrynerchy.
1765-Dec. 8th 1770, on which day Rebecca Dalton als Wright, wife of Patrick Dalton and residuary legater in above will was sworn as to her belief &c.

72,162-3

John Butler, Ballinakill, Queen's Co., merchant : to my wife Mary Butler als Nowlan als Dillon, all my goods & chattels, Lands and tenemants lying in or near Killenaule, Co. Tip., which I hold by lease & which are now in possession of James Magrah & Edmond Butler, together with all rents due or to be due by said Magrah & Butler, i.e. all to my said wife & to my children born of her, viz. John Butler the younger & Meabla Butler; also I bequeath to said wife & children all else I possess; to my daughters Catherine Phelan alias Butler, Alice, Joan and Anne Butler, and to my sons Patrick & Laurence, all children by my sons Patrick & Laurence, all children by my furst wife, 1/- each. Executor, Anthony Gale of Raggetstown.

Wss. Richard Buggy, James Fitzgerald

April 17th 1771-April 27th 1772

72,166

Richard Tobin, Cloneen, Co. Tip., farmer: to be buried in Cloneen with my father & mother; all to my wife & such of my children as are not yet preferred. Wss, Edmond Shee, William Tryney & James ffogarty.

May 26th 1714-Dec. 18th 1714

Endorsed : "The last will and Testament of Richard Tobin, to be left in Captn. Edmond Shee's hands."

72,166-167

Peter Dalton, Kilburry, Co. Tip., gent.: to be buried with my deceased children at Drangan, Co. Tip., to my wife Honora Dalton als Murphy £30 a year; to my eldest son Patrick Dalton £500 provided he shall pay the several sums laid out by me in Denis Kearney's suit & other suits; to my 2nd eldest son Richard Dalton £300 when hi's 21; to my son Peter £300 when he's 21; to my son Joseph Dalton £100 when he's 21; to my son Bryan Dalton £100 when he's 21; to my eldest daughter Bridget Dalton £200; to my daughter Julian Dalton £100; to my daughter Honor Dalton £100; to my daughter Frances Dalton £100; to James Dalton my silly brother £4 a year; all the children, except Patrick, to be supported etc. in the house free till they get settled; the residue to be disposed of at discretion of execrs.

Execrs., Stephen Creagh Butler, Esq. now of city of Dublin & my wife Honora

Wss. "Peter Daton."

Thomas Carew & Phil Comins

Sept. 8th 1771-Oct. 15th 1774

Testator signs with a distinguished but dying hand.

72,169

Daniel Ryan of Inch, Esq., Co. Tip.: "I leave to Mr. Roger Fogarty of Lissaroon 5 guineas & to Mr. James Prendergast of Thurles 5 guineas

Aug. 22nd 1757-Nov. 4th 1773

72, 170

Patrick Fanning of Fethard, Co. Tipperary, merchant: "I bequeath to Mr. William Howley of Fethard £5;³⁸ to Mr. Nicholas Fitzpatrick a guinea; to Mr. John Wall of Springhouse £10."³⁹
Dec. 18th 1745

72,170-71

James Fogarty, Ballinlonty, Co. Tip., gent.: my debts to be paid out of the purchase money due to me of my brother-in-law Bryan Murphy of Ballinteskine, Co. Kilkenny, gent. by 3 bonds perfected by the sd Bryan Murphy to William Butler of Ballyadams, Queen's County Esq., in trust for me of the penalty of £2,000 each conditioned for the payment of £1,000; to sd Bryan Murphy £1,000; to my wife Alice Fogarty; to sd Bryan Murphy my brother-in-law; to my sister-in-law Mary Murphy £250; to my Sister-in-law Cath. Murphy £50; to my brother Roger Fogarty £300; testator had conveyed his lands to sd Bryan Murphy; Excers, Daniel Ryan of Inch, Esq, & Dennis Kearney, who are also to be joint administrators of this will along with my wife.

Wss. Lu. Murphy, John Shea & Jean Murphy
Apl 9th 1755-Sept. 19th 1755

Mortogh Sweeney of Farney, Co. Tip., gent: my lands of Farney; what lands the priest Father Walter Rawley⁴⁰ now possesses of mine to be continued to him at 12 pence a year.
Febr. 17th 1755

72,171-2

Thomas Morrissy, Fryarsgrange, Co. Tip., farmer: to be buried in Cloneen; the Wss. were Thady Birhagra, John Healy & Michl Morressy.
Aug. 11th 1761

72,172

Derby Scully, Shanbally, Co. Tip., farmer: 4thly I order my excers. to pay my son-in-law John Fitzpatrick £40 which was bequeathed his wife Catherine by my son Daniel Scully deceased; to my daughter Ann Scully £348; to my four sons; he had large means. Excers, My wife son-in-law Denis Moylan, brother Roger Scully, son Timothy Scully & son-in-law John Testator's children Roger, Edmond, Denis & Darby & Anne were all apparently, minors. Part of his land of Graig was held by Rev. Michael Ryan.
April 24th 1765-May 8th 1765

72,172-3

Daniel Scully of Kilconnell, Co. Tip.: was son of above Derby Scully of Shanbally: £40 to my sister Kitty Scully & £22 to my sister Nancy Scully; bulk of means to my two children, minors, Derby Scully and Kitty Scully; to my uncle James Fogarty; to my uncle John Meagher; my brother-in-law Denis Moylan of Cork [bror of Bp.Moylan]
June 17th 1761-June 22nd 1761

72,173

Thomas Tobyne, late of Keillnagranagh & now for a time of Cappaghmagarrane, Co. Tip.: to

be buried in my ancestors' tomb in Fethard Abbey; my lands in Co. Galway (505 ac.), let to Henry Stotesbury, at £37.17.9, to my son Edmund temporarily; my wife Mary Tobyn and our daughters Margerie & Ellenor; my eldest son & heir Walter Tobyn; my lands in Co. Roscommon (495 ac.) to my sons Edmund & Rickard; my ancient inheritance of Brissclagh, in Co. Tip., if ever recovered and the reversion of the Co. Galway lands, to Walter Tobyn my eldest son & heir; I have a mortgage of year 1644 on Ballyhomuck, Co. Tip., of which, if recovered Fr. David Meagher shall have £80, being interested for so much therein; a mare to my son Thomas Tobyn as a token from my testator had £100 mortgage on Forr stallstown & other townlands in right of his wife; he regrets that owing to his many removals he had only 5 cows, 10 garrans & a little corn to leave presently to his wife & daughters; execrs., my wife & sons Edmund and Rickard, & in case of doubt to take instruction from Fr. David Meagher, my son-in-law Richard Shea & my cousin Morrish Kearney.

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Wss

Thomas X Tobyne

Mor. Kearney, Hen. Comerford, Rich. Hennessy?, Margat Sweetman, Brien Kearney.

Dec. 8th 1666-Febr. 27th 1666

Joanne Tobin als Shea of Clonagouse, Co. Tip.: to be buried in Kilvemnane; my grandson Thomas Tobin execrs.; John Tobin Esq., Morrish Kearney & Richard Shea & William Meagher, gentlemen, supervisors; to my grandson said Thomas Tobin my farme of Clonagouse & 2/3 of rest of my goods, the remaining 1/3 to my granddaughter Bridget Tobin; to my nieces Joanne Tobin & Mary Comerford.

Wss

her mark

William Shea & Robert Shea

Joanne X Tobin

Aug. 24th 1670-1670

72,175

Thady Donoghue, sick in bed: to be burd in parish church of Cloneen;⁴¹ one crown to each Catholic priest assisting at my office, with obligation to say 2 Masses each; 3 crowns to Mr Philip Meagher of Feathard⁴² & 3 crowns to Mr. Laurence Lonergan⁴³ (who are both to be my execrs.); 2 crowns to Mr. Thomas Loghling with obligation of saying 6 Masses; my chalice, vestments, Mass book etc. for the use of the P.P. of Killenale, with obligation of saying 5 Masses yearly, & if the P.P. of Killenale does not take upon himself this obligation, then they shall be given to any other P.P. of Cashel Diocese, provided always that the preference be given to the P.P.'s of Killenall or Cloneen; 2 crowns to Mr. Thomas Hennessy of Clonmel;⁴⁴ 2 crowns to Mr. Sall of Cashel;⁴⁵ to my friend Mr. Butler £1.10s.; my Breviary & books to Mr. Laurance Lonergan. Thady Donnogue (sic)

Wss. John + Meagher, Edmond +Shea

Maur. Kearney & Edmond Henness.

March 27th 1723/24 (sic) May 12th 1724.

72,176

John Daniell of Killaghy, Co. Tip., yeoman: had small means; "I order my funeral expenses to be paid according to the discretion of my brothers & Mr. Redmond Grace."

Ws

Redmd. Grace (priest & wrote a good youngish hand)

Oct. 15th 1721

“Will to be kept wth Mr. Redmd. Grace” (Endorsement)

Geffery Sall of Kiltenan,⁴⁶ parish priest: all the little wordly substance he has is to be disposed of as his execrs. James Hackett of Orchardstown & Michael Kearney of Killosty, Co. Tip., think fit.

Wss. G. Sall

Jon. Bourke & David Roche.

Dec. 18th 1712-March 19th 1712/13

124,15

John Keating of Garranlea [Knockgraffon P.], Co. Tip., Esq.: had very large means; to be buried in churchyd of Dangan; to my wife Alice Keating; to my dr Elinor Keating £3,000; to my 3rd son Bryan Keating £3,000; to the children of my son Michael Keating & his wife Mary Burgh £2,000; to John and Francis, sons of my son Maurice Keating £200 each & to Alice & Ellen, drs of same Maurice £100 each; to my son Michael & his wife Mary £100; to my son Maurice Keating £5,000; to my son-in-law James Butler & his wife Mary Butler als Keating \$50; to my sister Mary Kennedy 20 guineas; to my brother Maurice Keating £10; to Philip Dwyer of Cashel, gent., £3, & to Wall of Knockgraffan, gent. £3, & to my executors £50 to be by them employed in such charities as they shall see fit; £100 for a monument in Dangan churchyard; execrs my son Michael & my daughter Ellinor.

March 18th 1766 – not proved.

124,17

Maurice Keating, Lisdowney, Co. Kilky: to my wife Anne Keating; to my eldest dr Alice Keating £500; to my 2nd dr Eleanor Keating £400; all the rest to be divided equally between my four sons Francis, Bryan, Michael & Maurice, all minors; my interest in the Race Course of Durrow, being a lease for 3 lives or 31 years, to be sold by my execr. Dr James Fogarty & the result to be divided between my sons; execrs my wife Anne Keating and my kinsman Dr James Fogarty of Castle Fogerty

Wss Hugh Bathorm, Pierce Purcell, Ter. Fitzpatrick

Nov.25th 1775-June 20th 1776

124,21

Edward Grace, of Dromdeel [parish of Baptistgrange], Dioc. of Cashel: to be burd in Drangan; to my only son Redmond Grace; to my only dr; to my wife Mary Grace als Woulfe.

1743/4-1744

18,26

Lady Iveagh of Kilcash: “I devise & bequeath unto my brother Dr Chris. Butler the sum of £100, & the sum of £20 to Mr St. Laurence and the sum of £10 to Mr Edmd Butler”;⁴⁷ £10 to clergy of Clonmel and Carrig; £800 worth of plate (wch is worth about £1,000) to my dr Jellen wife of Richard Butler, Esq.; £80 worth of my plate to my dr Mary Kavanagh wife of Bryan Kavanagh, Esq.; & £80 more worth of my plate to my dr Catherine wife of James Mandeville, Esq.; & £80 worth of my plate to my dr [Margaret] wife of George Mathews, Esq.; to my granddrs Margaret, Hellen, Franny, Lucy, Mary & Honr Kavanagh £40 each; to

my granddr Wogan and her sister Catherine Browne £40 each; to my dr Hellen Butler wife of Richd Butler, Esq., £200; to my niece Mary Butler dr of sr Walter Butler £200; to my cousin Mary Fitzgerald £50; "I devise & bequeath unto my brother Dr Chris. Butler, &c as above; my 4 drs Hellen Butler, Mary Kavanagh, Catherine Mandeville & Margt Mathews; to my sister Frances Gould £50; to the poor of the parish of Kilcash £40; execrs my sons-in-law Richard Butler of Westcourt & Bryan Kavanagh of Borris, Esqrs.

Mary Iveagh

Ap; 18th 1749-Sept.21st 1744.

18,30-31

John Grene of Thomastown, Co. Tipp.: to my bror Patrick all my farms & the stock on them, cash, debts, &c; to my brother Thomas Grene £50 which he owes me; to my sister Jane Fitzpatrick £5 a year during my lease of Gortneecooly, & I recommend her earnestly to the care of my bror Patrick & his successors so as that she be kept from distress; execrs. my brors Patrick & Thomas; shd my brother Patrick die before me, all I willed him is left to his present wife & his children by her; I revoke a will I made in 1751, of which I left a duplicate with my worthy firemd [since dead] Justin McCarthy of Springhouse, now in the keeping of his son Denis McCarthy. Oct. 2nd 1759 John Grene

I further bequeath £5 each to my nephews Silvester and Michael Grene. Should both my above executors die before myself then I appoint as executors Susanna Grene my bror's wife and her two sons John and James Grene.

Oct.2nd 1759

Jon. Grene

Proved by Patrick Grene, Dec. 18th 1759

18,32⁴⁸

Elizabeth Hennes, widow, Fethard, widow of Thomas Hennes of Fethard, gent.; she had already, to pay her debts, sold her plate and the furniture of his room to Mr. Mathew Dwyer; to my bror Pierce Meagher; £2. 3s. yearly to Mr Mathew Dwyer; my wearing cloths & linen unto Miss Helen Lea, dr. of Mr. Nicholas Lea of Garran, Co. Kilky. deceased; to Mr. Thady Birhagra of Cloran £1.2.9;⁴⁹ to Mr. James Slattery⁵⁰ and Mr Michael Kelly⁵¹ both of Fethard £1 each; to be buried if possible with my husband in Church of Fethard, if not in Drangan. Oct.3rd. 1766-June 1st 1767

Will of Edward Butler, Kilroe, Co. Tip: to my brother Edward Butler of Kilcorane £40 a year out of the profit rent of Kilroe & to his wife Mary after him; to my nephew Edmond, son to Sr Edward £20 & to sd Edward's 2nd son William £300 & to Rich. 3rd son of sd Edward £300 when 21 yrs of age; £100 to issue of Catherine dr of Edward & wife of Mr James Buckston; to my nephew the Rev. James Butler of Callan,⁵² son of my brother James £50; to Elizabeth dr of my said brother James & wife of Mr George Brien of Callan £50; to my kinsman Dr James Butler of Cashel now living in Thurles £50; to my kinsman John Granger & to Mary Granger £100 each; to the Honble Doctr John Butler ten guineas; to the Rev. Thomas Farrell £5; to the poor of the parish of Tubrid £3; all the rest for my soul. Execrs Mr James Brown of Mitchelstown, my said brother Edward & my nephew James Butler by the directions of the aforesaid James Butler of Cashel or his successors. I likewise bequeath

to my kinsman Michael Butler of Kilbeny 10 guineas. His creditors to set all his lands and sell his stock and furniture &c.

March 25 1762-Aug ? 1765

Wss Mr John Baldwin, Erasmus Swiney, Ed Butler, Pat Sevlly (Scully?)

Above the will of Edward Butler, late of Kilroe, Co. Tip., gentleman.

Administration Bonds

18,32

Green, Charles, Thurles, 1724

Lidwill, John, Clonboe, gent. 1744

Lidwill, Robert, Lissanure, Esq. 1786⁵³

72,159

Rev. Anthony Dwyer, Cashel 1787

William Howley, Fethard, gent. 1751

72,161

Gilbert Meagher, Knocke (Drum P.) gent. 1782 Adm

Meagher, Derby, Cullen 1725

Mara, John, Dually 1732

McIncrow, John, Dowriss, Co. Tip., yeoman 1734

Meagher, Thomas, Ballywalter, Co. Tip. 1760 yeoman.

Meagher, William, Ballywalter, Co. Tip. 1765

Meagher, Thomas & Philip, Belagh, gents. 1771

Meagher, John, Liskeven, farmer. 1773

Meagher, Mary, Ballywalter, Tip., widow 1774

Ryan, William, Gortmanagh, Limerick, 1757 (Doon P)

Ryan, Laurence, Ballybricken, gent. 1758

128,7

Rev. Patrick Purcell, Clonmel, late Cork, Priest 1785

Quinlan, Rev. Darby,⁵⁴ P.P. Bansha 1814

Cashel priests ordained in Kilkenny 1796

The first ordination from Burrell's Hall (the founding site of St. Kieran's College) was of John or James Brown (PP Ballylanders, 1809-1839), a native of Clonoulty Hill. According to Fr O'Carroll's notes he studied in Kilkenny. The document which is signed by Thomas Bray and was sent to Bishop Lanigan, bishop of Ossory, grants permission to receive orders.⁵⁵ It is dated 1796. Ordination usually followed quickly, and indeed Brown is found as CC in the Thurles Conference area from August 1796, suggesting that he was probably ordained priest in May or June and in the Tipperary Conference area from 05/1808, probably as CC Galbally (Bray's Conference Lists, C & E Archives). He died 19/06/1839, aged 88, and was buried in Clonoulty churchyard.

Philip Cleary, PP Ballybricken, 1814-46, a native of Rathduff, Golden, born 24/12/1781, studied in Kilkenny according to Fr Carroll's notes and was ordained there in 08/10/1806, by the bishop of Ossory, Dr. James Lanigan, Bp. A document in the Ossory Diocesan Archive confirms this.

Subscription lists

1779

Thomas Bray, Cashel
 Edward Cormick, Cashel
 John Cuoney (Quaney?), Moyne
 John Meagher, Cashel
 John Ryan, Loughmore
 Mchael Ryan, Cashel
 Philip Ryan, Cashel
 Thomas Ryan, Borris [Cashel]
 Richard Wright, Cashel

1791

Mr Bray, Cashel
 Mr Griffith, Cashel
 Mr Roger Hayes, Donaskeagh
 Denis Kennedy, Doon
 Edm Marnane PP Tipperary
 Richard Wright, Cashel

References

- ¹See index of Hilary Walsh: 'An Index to the Wills in the Carrigan Collection', *Irish Genealogist* 4 (1968-73), 221-42.
- ²E.g. *Faulkner's Dublin Journal* (1743-67), *Finn's Leinster Journal* (1767-1814), *Pue's Occurrences* (1756), *Hibernian Magazine* (1771-1810), *Dublin Evening Post* (1779-93) and *Dublin Chronicle* (1787-92)
- ³I. Fennessy, 'Some Irish Clerical Subscribers, 1800-24', *CollHib* 36-37 (1994-5) 196-242; see also P Ó Súilleabháin, 'Catholics Books Printed in Ireland 1740-1820 containing lists of subscribers', *Coll Hib* 5-6 (1963-64) 231-233.
- ⁴*History and Antiquities of the Diocese of Ossory*, (Dublin, 1905).
- ⁵See F. Ó Fearghail, 'Canon Carrigan: Achievement and Challenge', *Kilkenny. Studies in honour of Margaret M. Phelan*, ed. J. Kirwan, (Kilkenny, 1997), 199-200.
- ⁶W.G. Skehan, *Cashel & Emly Heritage*, ed. T Ó Muiris, (Hollycross 1993); henceforth Ó Muiris, *Heritage*.
- ⁷Priests were still part of the student body in 1800 when Dr Edward Cormack PP Cashel left money for 200 masses to be offered for his soul by 'those priests standing most in need of assistance, and particularly those studying in Kilkenny': cited in F. Ó Fearghail, *St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny, 1782-1982*, (Kilkenny 1982) 27. There were still priests there twenty years later.
- ⁸See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, *passim*.
- ⁹Priest? See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 222-3 (date of death given there as 1780).
- ¹⁰See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 414.
- ¹¹See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 117-8; in subscription list of 1791 (Carr MS 104).
- ¹²See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 73.
- ¹³This will copied because of Kilkenny connections.
- ¹⁴See Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 34 (already PP 1790?).
- ¹⁵Killaloe will.
- ¹⁶see Murphy, 30, 42, 75.
- ¹⁷Templederry? - Murphy, 233.36-7.243.
- ¹⁸Hib Dom.; Murphy, Killaloe, 104; Fenning.
- ¹⁹Dunkerrin parish.
- ²⁰PP Roscomroe, Kinnity (Murphy, Killaloe, 99, 310).
- ²¹See Denis Kennedy above, registered PP 1704.

- ²²Registered as PP Clonmel 1704 (Power, W & L, 143, 370).
- ²³Registered PP Lismoragh, etc. 1704 (Power, W & L, 369).
- ²⁴James Daniel, PP Kilonan, Newcastle and Inislounaght (Power, W & L, 229, 370).
- ²⁵Registered PP Tallow, etc. 1704 (Power, W & L, 372).
- ²⁶Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 240 (PP Cappawhite, 1766).
- ²⁷Cf. Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 239-40 (PP Annacarty & Donohill, 1743-83).
- ²⁸Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 3.
- ²⁹Not in Power, *Waterford and Lismore*, (Cork & London, 1937).
- ³⁰Presumably PP Ballylooby and Tubrid; not in Power, *Waterford and Lismore*, (Cork & London, 1937).
- ³¹See ref. in Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 222; Carrigan, History III.
- ³²See subscription list in 104, 1779, John Meagher, Cashel.
- ³³Murphy, Killaloe, 312.
- ³⁴Murphy, Killaloe, 101-2 see above.
- ³⁵Carrigan's addition; John Hogan signs himself John Hogan Youm in Rathdowney register (Carrigan History II, 358) in 1772; see Murphy, Killaloe, 310.
- ³⁶Meagher is not described as PP Cashel in this will as would be usual if he were PP; see discussion in Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 85.
- ³⁷Carrigan's note: "John Wright this testator was father of V.Rev.Dr.Richard Wright PP, V.G." (On this Rd Wright, PP Cashel, see Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 87-8).
- ³⁸Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 145; may have been in charge of Kilkenny seminary.
- ³⁹Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 231 (PP Tipperary in 1750).
- ⁴⁰Walter Raleigh (Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 390).
- ⁴¹PP Killenaule, 1704-1724; cf. Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 212-3.
- ⁴²PP Fethard at this stage most likely (PP in 1731; died 1742; Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 164-5.
- ⁴³PP Ballingarry-1723/4-1756; Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 189-90.
- ⁴⁴PP St. Mary's, Clonmel (Power, *Waterford and Lismore*, 146).
- ⁴⁵Cf. Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 84.
- ⁴⁶Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 174-5.
- ⁴⁷Ref. to Edmond Butler, P. Power, *Waterford and Lismore*, (1765 will).
- ⁴⁸Brief extract, 72,22 : " Elizabeth Hennes of Fethard: To Mr. Thady Biraghra of Cloran £1.2.9, to Mr. James Slattery £1 and to Mr. Michael Kelly (both of Fethard) £1". Oct. 3 1763.
- ⁴⁹PP Drangan & Cloneen, 1731-1771; cf. Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 198-199.
- ⁵⁰CC Ballingarry in 1792; PP Boherlahan & Dualla, 19795-1800; see Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 100.
- ⁵¹Candidate for orders 1758; CC Killenaule, 1764; later PP Cloneen & Killusty; cf. Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 199.
- ⁵²PP Callan.
- ⁵³Carrigan adds a note (PP.32-33): "According to their wills the County Tipperary Lidwills of circa 1750 were to be buried in their family burying place in Castledermot, Co. Kildare. Even their wills show that they had some Powell relatives".
- ⁵⁴Ó Muiris, *Heritage*, 248-9.
- ⁵⁵Such permission was and still is required.