

Parish Records of Drax

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1-20 Parish registers

[see also 79-85]

- 1 baptisms 1598/9-1638
burials 1632-1635
- 2 baptisms 1639-1653/4
marriages 1597-1652
burials 1597-1631/2, 1635-1653
- 3 baptisms 1653-1668/9
marriages 1654-1668
banns 1654-1659
burials 1653-1668/9
- 4 baptisms 1669-1697
marriages 1669-1696/7
burials 1669-1678
- 5 burials in woollen [1681]-1716 (very damaged; lacking some years)
- 6 baptisms 1697-1728/9
marriages 1697-1728/9, 1735
burials 1716-1728, 1735-1736
- 7 baptisms 1729-1734/5
marriages 1729-1734/5
burials 1729-1734/5, 1740 (including terrier n.d., briefs
1734-5; memoranda on the Rev.
J. Teasdale)
- 8 baptisms 1735-1765
marriages 1735-1754
burials 1735-1764 (including memoranda on incumbents)
- 9 marriages 1754-1812
- 10 baptisms)
burials) 1765-1777 (including list of papists 1767, memoranda
on Drax school 1788-1805, notes on the
weather 1768-1779)
- 11 baptisms)
burials) 1777-1796
- 12 baptisms)
burials) 1796-1812
- 13 baptisms 1813-1838
- 14 baptisms 1838-1863
- 15 baptisms 1863-1895
- 16 baptisms 1895-1947
- 17 marriages 1813-1837
- 18 marriages 1837-1907
- 19 burials 1813-1857
- 20 burials 1857-1900 (including parish register transcripts,
burials 1893-5)

21 Banns registers

[see also 86-88]

- 1 1813-1824
- 2 1823-1841, 1844
- 3 1841-1871
- 4 1873-1904

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- DR 22 Modern copies of registers
- 1 copy of 1
- 2 copy of 2
- 23 Lists of parish registers and other records made at various dates
- 24 Table of fees 1914
- 25-28 Registers of services [see also 89]
- 25 1904-1913
- 26 1913-1925
- 27 1928-1955
- 28 1955-1964
- 29 Archbishop's licence to Rev. S.H. Hooper to hold services in three schoolrooms in Camblesforth, Newland and Langrick for parishioners residing at a distance from Drax church 1870
- 30-36 Accounts and minute books [see also 40, 77, 78, 97-103]
- 30 churchwardens' accounts (including later vestry minutes) 1778-1874
- 31 vestry minutes (including burial committee minutes), church council minutes and churchwardens' accounts 1875-1919
- 32 church meeting and vestry joint minutes 1920-1925
- 33 Parochial Church Council minutes 1920-1924
- 34 Parochial Church Council minutes 1924-1935
- 35 churchwardens' and church accounts 1909-1931
- 36 Church Hall Committee minutes 1926-1931
- 37 Faculties
- 1 new seating, pulpit and reading desk; to move font 1850
- 2 to remove gallery at west end, alteration of tower, rebuilding of west wall of south aisle 1905
- 3 stained glass window (Spink memorial) 1914
- 4 memorial tablet to Gunner Edmund Hutchinson (with file of correspondence, newspaper cuttings, about his death in a prisoner of war camp, etc.) 1919
- 5 new porch 1921
- 6 war memorial tablet 1921
- 7 installation of new heating system and altering position of organ 1925
- 8 stained glass window (Thompson memorial) 1927
- 9 installation of electric lighting 1936
- 10 altar cross and pair of vases (Dyson and Binnington memorials) 1942
- 11 rebuilding of organ 1955
- 12 processional cross (Butler memorial) 1955
- 13 brass altar cross (Cowling memorial) 1961
- 14 memorial tablet and clergy prayer desk (Adamson memorial) (bundle of correspondence) 1965

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DR 38 Letter from Church Assembly about churchyard and tombstones
and accompanying printed material 1939

39-45 Church fabric and churchyard

39 church restoration and repairs (to 1936)

- 1 estimates for repairs 1851, 1854, 1862
- 2 note of cost of various restorations 1896-1935
- 3 statement of accounts of restoration work 1905-7 (printed)
- 4 matter re Spencer donation 1910
- 5 Sir Charles A. Nicholson's report and specifications for restoration 25 Jan. 1929 (which initiated the major restoration work of the 1930s)
- 6 printed appeal leaflets and poster, appeal fund reports, etc. 1929-1934
- 7 accounts with Messrs E. Bowman and Sons of Stamford who undertook the restoration 1932-34

40 book of accounts for restoration fund 1934-36 [see also 30-36, 77,
78, 97-103]

41 packets of correspondence 1954-63

- 1 architect's reports on church fabric with schedules of repair to be done 1954-63 (including references to damage to tower by lightning)
- 2 rebuilding of organ 1955-56; correspondence with various firms and with Dr G.F. Linstead; reports and suggestions for proposed new organ 1952-54; correspondence about rebuilding with Hall and Broadfield Organ Co.; report on Drax choir singing 1955
- 3 papers about installation of oil fired central heating in church (1959) and heating in church hall (1954)
- 4 papers relating to various purchases: memorial boss for church roof 1955; war memorial tablet 1956; processional cross 1955; frontal 1957; altar cross 1961; choristers' gowns and caps 1962; fire equipment 1963

42 chancel repair

- 1 correspondence of the vicar (Rev. S.H. Hooper) with the Archbishop of York about liability of tithe owners for repair of chancel in event of proposed sale of tithe to the owners 1888
- 2 record of ascertainties relating to apportionment of chancel liability, being the basis on which contributions may be sought from owners remaining liable to chancel repair 1943

43A churchyard extension: correspondence with the Poor Law Board about proposed sale of cottages for the purpose of extending the churchyard 1857, 1861-2

43B licence of the Archbishop of York to Rev. S.H. Hooper, vicar of Drax, for interments to take place in certain property bordering on the churchyard recently acquired for that purpose (plan of churchyard and extension on deed) 20 Oct. 1865
the licence recites the deeds by which Frederick Robert Pease

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DR 39-45 Church fabric and churchyard (continued)

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and the Overseers of the Poor of Drax severally conveyed the properties to the vicar in 1864; and also recites an Order of Quarter Sessions stopping up the highway or lane between the churchyard and the said properties 17 Oct. 1864

44 account of the churchyard improvement committee with E. and T. Clark, in connection with purchase of land from Lord Beaumont 1875-6

45 burial ground extension 1958-60: plan of proposed extension, correspondence, order of service of consecration and copy of sentence of consecration

46-50 Benefice income and property [see also 90-94]

46 glebe terriers

- 1 1809
- 2 1825
- 3 1890
- 4 1900

47 statements of income: profits and emoluments of the vicarage 1809; sources of income of the vicarage 1800; papers re Ealand's gift; statements of gross annual income 1961, 1962; valuation of church and churchyard 1919 (also duplicate returns to Central Board of Finance giving overall view of parish 1957, 1958, 1961 - access restricted)

48 augmentation of benefice

- 1 application by vicar to Endowment Aid Society, letters from Ecclesiastical Commissioners concerning benefaction from the Society and grant for augmentation of the benefice 1862-63
- 2 copy of conveyance of a messuage and land in Drax in augmentation of the glebe 1865
- 3 correspondence about purchase of land adjacent to parsonage house and improvement of the house, out of the augmentation 1875-6
- 4 letters from Ecclesiastical Commissioners about additional annuity and endowments 1894, 1909 and a few later papers
- 5 papers concerning sale of parcels of glebe in 1918 and 1919, including printed posters announcing sale; and abstract of title of Mr John Wetherell's shop and premises 1927

49 vicarage house: specifications of improvements and additions 1876, and subsequent papers about dilapidations to 1943; surrender of claim on vicarage garden wall

50 church hall: estimates 1926 and letters re addition of kitchen 1956

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51 Plans

- 1 section of proposed nave roof 1862
- 2 tracings of plans and elevations of the church and plan of chancel as restored 1896
- 3 approved plans and elevations of church hall 1926
- 4 proposed addition of kitchen to church hall 1956 and oil heating
- 5 vicarage house: plan of proposed additions 1876; drainage plan 1907; approved plans and elevations for additions 1908; rough plans of ground and first floors (undated)

52-60 Parish activities

- 52 Sunday school registers 1876-96
- 53 roll book of Drax branch of Church of England Temperance Society (abstaining section and non-abstaining section) c.1883
- 54 register of missionary boxholders with half-yearly receipts 1913-25
- 55 Drax brass band
 - 1 minute book 1927-37
 - 2 account book 1929-39, 1950-51
- 56 Social Committee minute book 1931-36
- 57 Girls' Friendly Society (Drax branch) minute book 1938-50 (founded 1938)
- 58 Drax Men's Discussion Group minutes 1951-52 (2 books)
- 59 Drax Coronation Committee minutes 1952-53, programme of events, photographs 1953
- 60 Drax Youth Club (re-organised) minutes 1958-60, and various papers

61-66 Parochial history

- 61 two letters re boundary of parish and date of foundation of church
- 62 guides to the church: printed and duplicated (various dates), and volume of MS notes
- 63 photographs of church and church plate, with notes on church plate and return to a questionnaire about the plate, sent by the YAS
- 64 list of vicars 1518-1965; photographs of vicars Hooper, Black, Richards and Fothergill; list of churchwardens from 1775 (extracted from the accounts); obituary notes of Rev. W. Drennan, headmaster of Drax school (1904-1909)
- 65 folder of cuttings about church and village and miscellaneous photographs; programmes of Drax Show 1951, 1952
- 66 folder of notes for a history of Drax compiled by the Rev. Cyril Dodd; a few other miscellaneous notes have been placed in it, including burials at Summercroft extracted from Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting (Quaker burial ?) c.1679-1769

67 Parish magazines

- 1894-1901, 1912, 1917, 1919-1966 (some incomplete)
[some magazines 1909-19 are pasted in DR 31]

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- DR 68-69 Drax enclosure
- 68 enclosure act 1773
 - 69 enclosure award 1775
- 70 Drax tithe award 1838
- 71 Drax tithe map (separate) [1838] 43½" x 64"
- 72 Plan of Long Drax fields and Newland fields n.d. [19th century]
25" x 37"
- 73 Altered apportionment of tithe rent-charges
- 1 1886
 - 2 1887
 - 3 1908
 - 4 1923 (Sept.)
 - 5 1923 (Sept.)
- 74 Sale particulars of impropriate tithe rent charges in the
townships of Newland, Drax, Long Drax and Camblesforth (printed)
1888
- 75 Certificates of redemption of tithe rent charges (sealed copies)
- 1 1911
 - 2 1913
 - 3 1920
 - 4 1921
 - 5 1922
 - 6 1924
 - 7 1925
- 76 Vestry minute book, Drax township 1855-1894 (lacking 1865-1871;
the later years include separate minutes for Newland and Long
Drax)
- 77 PCC and vestry minute book 1959-1964 (including Snaith Ruridecanal
Chapter minutes 1960-1964)
- 78 PCC account book 1969-1973 [see also 30-36,40,77,78,97-103]

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Nos. 1-67 deposited by the Vicar and Parochial Church Council of Drax (transferred
from Sheffield Archives Department) October 1977

Nos. 68-76 deposited by the Parish Council of Drax (transferred from Sheffield
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Nos. 77-78 deposited by Rev. M. Warchus, The Vicarage, Drax, Selby June 1984

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- DR 79- 85. Parish registers [see also 1-20]
- 79 marriages 1907-1924
 - 80 marriages 1924-1934
 - 81 marriages 1934-1942
 - 82 marriages 1942-1950
 - 83 marriages 1950-1961
 - 84 marriages 1961-1977
 - 85 burials 1900-1980
- 86- 88 Registers of banns [see also 21]
- 86 1905-1933
 - 87 1933-1958
 - 88 1958-1985
- 89 Register of services 1964-1981 [see also 25-29]
- 90- 94 Benefice income and property [see also 46-50]
- 90 papers, including plans, relating to sale of parsonage house and construction of new vicarage 1965-1967
 - 91 correspondence on dilapidations 1962-1974 and proposed housing site 1973-1974
 - 92 correspondence on vicarage improvements 1982-1987
 - 93 correspondence on uses of church hall site 1951-1977
 - 94 correspondence and policies relating to Ecclesiastical Insurance 1960-1965
- 95 Correspondence relating to Read School, Drax 1960-1970
- 96 Parish Societies - Pathfinder Group 1972-1976
- 97-103 Parochial Church Council [see also 30-36, 40, 77, 78]
- 97 minute book - PCC annual meetings 1927-1975 and PCC meetings 1976-1981
 - 98 PCC minute book 1935-1951
 - 99 PCC minute book 1951-1958
 - 100 PCC minute book 1958-1976
 - 101 PCC accounts 1956-1958
 - 102 PCC account book 1960-1968
 - 103 deeds of covenant to Drax church 1958-1964
- 104-115 Items relating to Carlton and Drax parishes
- 104 Exercise of Rights of Preservation papers including Pastoral Scheme for merging of the parishes of Carlton and DRax 1975-1976
 - 105 correspondence and papers relating to appointment of new vicar 1986
 - 106 united PCC minute book 1975-1984
 - 107 united PCC meeting agenda 1978-1984

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Parish Records (on deposit)

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- 108** accounts Carlton and Drax 1938-1982
- 109** accounts, annual statistics Carlton and Drax 1970-1981
- 110** bills Carlton and Drax 1972-1986 (3 files)
- 111** photographs of parish events
- 112** archdeacon's visitation and Diocesan correspondence 1982-1987
- 113** correspondence on assessment 1979-1987
- 114** Carlton and Drax electoral rolls 1972-1984
- 115** correspondence on keeping of parish records 1972-1977
- 116** Parish magazines Nov 1945-Dec 1952, Jan Apr May & June 1953, Dec 1955
- 117** Notes on the restoration of the nave and aisle roofs, 1932
- 118-121** Carlton and Drax Parochial Church Council minutes and accounts 1991-2004

(includes minutes and related papers of PCC, AGM and annual parishioners' meetings, minutes of the meetings of the Trustees of the Elizabeth Fisher Charity, minutes of the meetings of the Worship Sub-Committee, and annual reports and accounts for Carlton, Drax, and the Elizabeth Fisher Charity).
- 118** PCC minutes 1991-1995
- 119** PCC minutes 1996-1999
- 120** PCC minutes 2000-2002
- 121** PCC minutes 2003-2004

Nos. 79-115 deposited 1990, No. 116 deposited 2005; Nos 118-121 deposited 3 Nov 2011