



Catalogue of the Ushaw Collection of Manuscripts: Volume V

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Introduction

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Contents

“Volume” V of the Ushaw Collection of Manuscripts covers a wide range of subjects relating to Catholic history, including the Roman Catholic penal laws in England, political campaigns involving the Catholics in England, the religious orders, the Cisalpine movement, diocesan administration, Catholic synods, and other aspects of the government of the Catholic Church.

Previous custodial history

The origins of Ushaw Collection of Manuscripts Volume V are unknown but the continuation of the number sequence suggests it is likely to have been compiled by Mgr Bernard Payne (who was librarian at Ushaw from 1930 until 1977) after the completion of the fourth volume in the mid-20th century. Unlike its predecessors, Volume V has not been bound and is a loose-leaf collection of documents.

Arrangement

The sequence retains the original volume-number arrangement

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There is a bound printed catalogue of the first five volumes of the Ushaw College Manuscripts (excluding the more recent additions) compiled by Rev Michael Sharratt: “Ushaw College Catalogue of Archives: Ushaw Collection of Manuscripts” (Ushaw College: Durham, 1987). Card indexes are also available with both chronological and numerical arrangements.

Form of citation

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UC/M5/400 8 May 1849

Memorial from the Lancashire clergy to Bishop John Briggs for the annual synod recommending chapters or boards to manage temporalities, the District Fund, and a Finance Committee; the lack of an answer to their complaints about Common Stock; arguing that every priest should be maintained by the bishop, and recommending the Sheffield mission for the Rosminians.

2f

UC/M5/401 26 October 1849

Letter from Thomas Grant to Bishop John Briggs: on the Charitable Trust Bill including the action by Propaganda and Bishop Griffiths in 1847, the possibility of Parliament reopening the question, Propaganda's view, the opinion of the Methodists, past maladministration and general complaints, and the need for a committee to assist bishops in seeking the truth of the matter.

2f

UC/M5/402 [?1840]

Printed circular, signed "Clerici", arguing against the frequency and unnecessary changes of clergy from one parish to another.

This copy has been sent to the Rev T.A. Slater.

12p

UC/M5/403 [1840 x 1849]

Printed petition from the London clergy to the pope seeking the restoration of the Hierarchy.

2p

UC/M5/404 [?1846]

Memorial by the Congregation of St William's Chapel, Lee House, Thornley, to Bishop Sharples, on the historic administration of the chapel by lay trustees and the suspension of Frank Trappes by Bishop Brown, and its effect in denying the right to lay presentation.

2p

UC/M5/405 [1850 x 1859]

Printed letter by Bishop William Hogarth to the clergy, enclosing a petition against the Charitable Trusts Bill to be signed and sent to a Liberal Member of Parliament.

1 sheet

UC/M5/406 [1840 x 1849]

Printed circular by members of the Catholic clergy to the Vicars Apostolic concerning the way in which the rights of priests are ignored by bishops.

2p

UC/M5/407a 1851

Memorial of certain Catholic priests [?in Robert Hogarth's hand] to Cardinal Wiseman seeking the establishment of church laws resting on English law as well as canon law, including no spiritual interference with property, no foreign system, no spiritual courts, and a role in the election of bishops.

1f

UC/M5/407b 1 July 1850

Statute for the formation of ecclesiastical councils of the London District addressed to the clergy of this district by Nicholas Wiseman, with postscript.

Includes significant manuscript annotations and comments in the hand of Robert Hogarth criticising the statute.

11p

UC/M5/408 15 November 1850

Printed broadside of a letter from Charles Langdale to Lord John Russell, entitled *The Catholic Hierarchy*.

1 sheet

UC/M5/409 7 June 1851

Draft memorial from Robert Hogarth to Cardinal Wiseman asking for a voice in the nomination of bishops, the appointment of archdeacons, a consistorial court, and the immovability of priests after five years in the care of souls.

6f

UC/M5/410 10 August 1806-7 March 1808

Copy by Thomas Eyre of a letter from Francis Tuite to [?] on the state of the funds of St Omers and the debt owed by St Edmunds.

(On same sheet): copy by Thomas Eyre of a letter from Francis Tuite to Henry Rutter on the recent payment of an outstanding debt to St Omers.

2f

UC/M5/411 7 May 1853

Printed suggestions by Catholicus for managing Catholic ecclesiastical property in England with a plea for including lay trustees for each fund (2 copies).

1p

UC/M5/412 31 July 1852

Draft copy of an address of gratitude by the Cathedral Chapter to Pope Pius IX, with a pencilled list of signatures.

Language: Latin

2f

UC/M5/413 July 1852

List of capitulars by the Old Chapter, with deaths noted until 1857.

1f

UC/M5/414 17 July 1852

Synodical letter of the Westminster Province relating to the first Provincial Synod at Oscott.

6p

UC/M5/415

Number not in use

UC/M5/416 13 - 14 December 1853

Printed admonitions and exhortations addressed to the clergy of the diocese of Beverley by Bishop Briggs on the occasion of the First Synod at York.

8p

UC/M5/417 21 February 1854

Printed pamphlet by the diocese of Hexham entitled *Synodus Dioecesana, Hagulstadenis Habita in Ecclesia Pro-Cathedrali S. Marie....*

Language: Latin

6p

UC/M5/418 9 May 1855

Diocese of Beverley, *Acta et statuta Secunde Synodi Dioecesanae Beverlacenis* (York, 1855).

6p

UC/M5/419 15 July 1855

Printed synodical letter from the Second Provincial Council of the Westminster Province at Oscott (2 copies).

4p

UC/M5/420 [?1847]

Observations by Henry Stonor on three bills (superstitious uses, Roman Catholic trust property and Roman Catholic charities).

4f

UC/M5/421 1856

Observations on the positions of Catholic trusts under existing laws and under a bill entitled "A Bill to Amend the Law relating to the Conveyance of Lands for Charitable Uses".

2f

UC/M5/422 28 February 1856

Circular by Bishop John Briggs of Beverley to the clergy concerning rules from the Holy See for obtaining a dispensation for, and assisting at, a mixed marriage, with an application form.

3p

UC/M5/423 28 April 1856

Letter from Bishop William Hogarth to Charles Newsham: proposals to regulate and save the Institute of St Ninian's in Wooler, and the monks from Ampleforth visiting Ushaw for ordinations.

1f

UC/M5/424 18 December 1856

Extracted letter from Henry Edward Manning to Cardinal Wiseman: report on the Oblates of St Charles.

Copied by Charles Newsham.

2f

UC/M5/425 16 July 1859

Synodical letter of the fathers assembled in the Third Provincial Council of Westminster, at St Mary's College, Oscott.

8p

UC/M5/426 8 April 1860

Letter from Frederick William Faber to Cardinal Wiseman: admitting that he may have made theological mistakes in a recent book but will submit unreservedly, and hoping that Wiseman will not let the incident affect him.

2f

UC/M5/427 31 January 1859

Notes on the Cathedraticum in England before the Reformation and in the present day, including an account of the collections and subscriptions for the diocese of Liverpool for 1849 - 1858.

2f

UC/M5/428a 27 February 1862

Diocese of Liverpool Ecclesiastical Education Fund for the year ending 31 January 1862.

1f

UC/M5/428b [1780 x 1789]

Draft, in the hand of Matthew Gibson, of an address to the Holy See about the English College in Rome.

Language: Latin

2f

UC/M5/428c 13 January 1867

Printed letter in support of J.H. Newman's projected Study House for the Oratory in Oxford.

3f

UC/M5/429 20 May 1862

Printed rules of the Old Brotherhood of the English Secular Clergy.

11p

UC/M5/430 16 October 1863

Printed circular by Nicholas Wiseman to the bishops sending a copy of a decree of Propaganda confirming decree XV of 3rd Westminster Synod about the jurisdiction of bishops over the three seminaries.

1 sheet

UC/M5/431 18 March 1865

Bishop William Hogarth granting faculties as Vicar General to Robert Tate, to be exercised within Ushaw College.

Language: Latin

1 sheet

UC/M5/432 8 May 1869

Letter from the Congregation of Propaganda to Archbishop H.E. Manning: answering queries about bishops and regulars, regional seminaries, and the projected Catholic University.

Language: Latin

2f

UC/M5/433 6 November 1884

Release by Bishop John Bewick, and others, to Thomas Trehwitt of West Hartlepool on the execution of John Lawrenson's will.

1f

UC/M5/434 1848

Printed memorial to Pope Pius IX by Catholic priests and laymen of Great Britain warning of dangers in a proposed Act of Parliament to establish diplomatic relations between Britain and the Holy See.

1 sheet

UC/M5/435 1789

Names of the lay gentry subscribers to the Fund General [?Northern Brethren's Fund] since its institution.

2f

UC/M5/436 [19th century]

Oeconomia Clericus or the clergymen instructed in housekeeping.

1 sheet

UC/M5/437 [1790 x 1799]

Fragment of a notebook containing a list of foundation/anniversary Masses for members of Lancashire families.

4f

UC/M5/438 1788

Confirmation and other statistics of Yorkshire Catholics under Bishops Maire, Walton and Gibson.

6f

UC/M5/439 1736

Notes and extracts from books on Jansenism.

Language: French and Latin

2f

UC/M5/440 1784

Account of the estate and effects of George Wilmot.

2f

UC/M5/441 [1800]

Account of the Faculties of Theology and Greek at the University of Edinburgh.

2f

UC/M5/442 [?1777]

Printed petition from the Roman Catholics of Ireland presented to the earl of Buckinghamshire (Lord Lieutenant of Ireland) requesting further relief from prohibitive land tenure regulations.

2p

UC/M5/443

Number not in use

UC/M5/444 1720

Printed instructions by the bishop of Ypres for confessors, including the form of faculties.

Language: Latin

4p

UC/M5/445 2 August 1788

Bishop Matthew Gibson granting faculties to James Pope, O.S.B..

2 copies

Language: Latin

1 sheet

UC/M5/446

Number not in use

UC/M5/447

Number not in use

UC/M5/448 [1740]

Affidavit by Robert Carnaby concerning Bishop William's declaration that the Vicar-General was to govern *sede vacante*.

1f

UC/M5/449 [1780 x 1789]

Transcript, in the hand of Bishop Matthew Gibson, of a papal document beginning "Inscrutabili Divinae Sapientiae atque Bonitatis consilio".

1f

UC/M5/450a [1780 x 1789]

Pope Pius VI's instructions for a jubilee, with an English translation in Bishop Matthew Gibson's hand.

2f

UC/M5/450b 1750

Pope Benedict XIV's *Abstractum brevis jubilaei*, with a note in English stating that the publication of the jubilee is fixed for Low Sunday.

Language: Latin

1f

UC/M5/451 17 November 1791

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: informing him that he has received the stated case and the *Answer to the Blue Books*, commenting on Plowden's work and Bishop Matthew Gibson's difficulties with Bishop James Talbot and others over the Oath of Allegiance.

2f

UC/M5/452 10 February 1792

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: offering advice on responding to the committee, criticising Hornyold's letter to Gibson, the Staffordshire address, making suggestions about Douai College's difficulties, advising that a college in England should be in an isolated place, and possible legal action against the Vicars Apostolic.

2f

UC/M5/453 26 July 1792

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: commenting on the second edition of Sir John Throckmorton's second letter.

2f

UC/M5/454 30 July 1792

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: advice on how to condemn Sir John Throckmorton's 2nd edition.

2f

UC/M5/455 16 November 1795

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: the lack of urgency in setting up a college in England, advising him that the French will restore property and rent arrears, he will be pressed to agree with Douglass and Walmesley, Daniel remaining president at Douai, Douglass wanting Old Hall and Gibson wishing for Crook, advising against London because of its Cisalpine leanings, and news of Bishop Berington.

2f

UC/M5/456 26 January 1796

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: the northern clergy's desire for the college to be in the north, advising him to tell Douglass not to join him at Old Hall, the implications of Douai's restoration, advising him to appoint [John] Barrow to set up the college, and Plowden and the museum deed.

2f

UC/M5/457 14 August 1797

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: Blancoe's suitability as a chaplain for the Cloughton nuns, his astonishment at Douglass's approval of Joseph Berington's epistle, Berington seeking clerical support in Lancashire, and advising Gibson that he and Barrow will walk out if Berington appears at the general meeting.

2f

UC/M5/458 11 October 1797

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: Bishop Berington's desire not to retract as Propaganda demands, Douglass's approval of Joseph Berington, his opinion of Crook Hall, Daniel's hopes for the restoration of Douai in spite of costly repairs, Barrow's scepticism on whether the English government will allow Douai to reopen, suggesting that Daniel be appointed as president at Crook, Douglass's deception of Erskine over Old Hall, and recommending Old Elvet for the site of the new college.

2f

UC/M5/459 16 December 1797

Letter from Robert Banister to Bishop William Gibson: news of Greenway, Bishop Douglass, Bishop Berington and Joseph Berington; and informing him that Douglass and the London clergy have opposed Daniel's appointment at Crook.

2f

UC/M5/460 7 April 1668 & 1772

Letter from J.A. Comenus to Antonia Bourignon: offering spiritual advice (includes portrait dated 1772).

3f

UC/M5/461 [1690 x 1699]

Memoranda by Bishop James Smith "to be recommended to the P.P." dealing with the virtues and life of the clergy including how to dispose of church money, general meetings, sacraments of penance and matrimony, saying grace standing, catechising children, Gooden's school, and Barlow.

2f

UC/M5/462 29 November 1709

Printed letter from the London clergy to "each respective member of the clergy in the country" denying accusations of Jansenism among the clergy.

1 sheet

UC/M5/463 13 August 1850

Printed celebrat by Bishop Nicholas Wiseman to Edward Consitt of the Northern District (endorsed for Ambroise and Paris).

Language: Latin

Ownership history: This item is described as such in the printed catalogue but cannot be located.

UC/M5/464 1699

Manuscript of a Catholic hymn book.
32f

UC/M5/465a-b 2 March 1844

Letter from William Riddell to Pope Gregory XVI: his acceptance of the coadjutorship going to Bishop Francis Mostyn.

English and Latin drafts.

Language: English and Latin

2 letters

UC/M5/466 1701

Copies of documents concerning the history of English Catholics, taken from Dodd's *Church History*.

40f

UC/M5/467

Number not in use

UC/M5/468 4 June 1733

Letter from Robert Witham to Mr Woolfe: statement on the Woolfe Fund.

1f

UC/M5/469 25 August 1783

Memorandum by Bishop Francis Petre on his will.

2f

UC/M5/470 16 January 1794

Certificate of the baptism of Richard Thompson by John Worthington, signed by Richard Barrow.

Language: Latin

1f

UC/M5/471 15 July 1795

Certificate confirming that Richard Thompson of Crook Hall has taken the oath (relating to the Roman Catholic Relief Act of 1791) at the Durham Quarter Sessions.

1f

UC/M5/472 26 September 1818

Letter from Robert Gradwell to Richard Thompson: Cardinal Litta's attitude to Stonyhurst's clash with Bishop Gibson.

1f

UC/M5/473 1807

Printed address of "several of His Majesty's Roman Catholic subjects to their Protestant fellow subjects" on the loyalty of Catholics; signed by John Douglass and 58 others (i.e. the new Catholic Committee or Board).

7p

UC/M5/474 29 December 1886

Printed English translation by the Congregation of Sacred Rites of a decree confirming the honour given to the Blessed Martyrs John Cardinal Fisher, Thomas More and others put to death between 1535 and 1583.

4p

UC/M5/475 1791

Declaration and protestation signed by the English Catholic dissenters in 1789, including the names of those who signed it.

13p

UC/M5/476 26 November 1814

Letter from William Croskell to Bishop William Gibson: the dress and titles of the nuns at the Bar Convent, York, during the time of hostility.

2f

Provenance: Owned by St Cuthbert's, Old Elvet, Durham.

UC/M5/477 30 June 1816

Letter from the Congregation of Propaganda to the Bar Convent, York: removing the convent from the jurisdiction of the superiores in Munich and placing it under the control of the Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District.

Language: Italian and Latin

2f

UC/M5/478 6 July 1816

Letter from P. MacPherson (Rome) to Bishop William Gibson: sending a rescript for the Bar Convent, York (UC/M5/477), and James Stevenson in Naples wishing to leave the world and dedicate himself to God.

2f

Provenance: Owned by St Cuthbert's, Old Elvet, Durham

UC/M5/479 20 May 1814

Elizabeth Shepherd (Mary Xaveria of the Infant Jesus) declaring her freedom to be professed as a Carmelite nun at Cocken Hall.

2f

Provenance: Owned by St Cuthbert's, Old Elvet, Durham

UC/M5/480 20 March 1848

Letter from G.B. Pagani (Radcliffe College) to a bishop: commenting on an article in the *Tablet* which had created an unfortunate impression on Pagani.

2f

UC/M5/481 [1780 x 1789]

Notebooks [by Matthew Gibson] on scripture.

3 volumes

UC/M5/482 6 February 1771

Photostat of John Lingard's certificate of baptism, carried out by James Nolan.

1f