



Catalogue of Lisbon College Roman Documents

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Introduction

Lisbon College Roman Documents

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Creator: Lisbon College

Language of material: Latin and Italian

Contents

Permissions, privileges and dispensations granted by Rome to Lisbon College.

About the creator

The English College of SS. Peter and Paul at Lisbon (or, as it is more commonly known, Lisbon College) was founded by Pedro Coutinho in 1624 as a college for English students training for the priesthood and mission work in England. As a pontifical college it was awarded the same privileges and rights as other colleges centrally controlled by Rome, such as the English College in Rome, whose aim was the maintenance of the Catholic faith in England, Scotland and Ireland. The driving force behind the college in its early years was William Newman. Although he was never to become president, Newman founded the college from property entrusted by the estate of the late Nicholas Ashton, a Catholic chaplain in Lisbon. Initial progress was slow until the arrival of a group of English students and teachers from the English College at Douai in 1628. The first president, albeit briefly, was Archdeacon Joseph Haynes who died the following year. The reputation of the college as a centre of academic excellence and its relevance as an English institution in Lisbon attracted patronage from varied sources during the seventeenth century, including Pedro da Costa and Maria de Oliveira Leitoa who transferred important funds to the College in exchange for daily masses for their special intention. In 1679, Pope Innocent XI granted the College the privilege of being considered as a High Altar of Christ on the Cross. In spite of its wealthy benefactors and papal patronage, the college faced a number of challenges in the following centuries. In 1755, Lisbon was shaken by a terrible earthquake in which 20,000 people died and 60,000 houses and 60 palaces and convents were destroyed. The college suffered badly both in terms of the physical devastation of its buildings and the mental well-being of many of its students and superiors who, like most of the population of Lisbon, chose to live under tents in the gardens of the college rather than risk being inside in fear of another quake. The college suffered another setback when it was occupied by French forces during Napoleon's invasion of Portugal in 1807 and, just days before the second French invasion, the president decided to close the college down, with all students being sent to an Anglo-Portuguese school in England until the war ended in 1814. The college was finally closed in 1973. Since the passing of the Roman Catholic Relief Act in Britain in 1829, the college's *raison d'être* had ceased to exist although its high reputation as a teaching and training establishment enabled it to survive for another 144 years.

Accession details

Lisbon College closed in 1973 and this collection, along with the rest of the Lisbon Archive and Library, was transferred to Ushaw College by Mgr James Sullivan the following year.

Arrangement

The papers follow the original arrangement of the collection which is broadly chronological.

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LC/A16/1 1 May 1579

Authenticated copy of Pope Gregory XIII's bull for founding, endowing and granting privileges to the Venerable English College at Rome

Language: Latin

5f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 24

LC/A16/2 25 April 1592

Copy of Pope Clement VIII's bull granting privileges to the English College at Valladolid

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 25(b)

LC/A16/3 15 May 1594

Authenticated translation of an extract of a clause in Pope Clement VIII's bull to the English College at Seville on the conferral of academic degrees

Language: Spanish

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 28

LC/A16/4 31 May 1614

Authenticated copy of an indult concerning ordinations without dimissorial letters, benefice or patrimony

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/5 30 September 1621

Authenticated copy of a licence by Pope Gregory XV to M. Kelleson (president of Douai College) for the taking of the four minor orders on the same day

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 167

LC/A16/6 17 April 1624

Decree of Pope Urban VIII ordering VEC students not to join regulars without papal dispensation

Includes a Spanish translation of the above and a copy of the translation of apostolic letters of Pope Gregory XIII concerning the VEX (1 May 1579)

Language: Latin and Spanish

6f

LC/A16/7 18 July 1628

Authenticated copy of Propaganda's answer (ratified by the legate at Brussels) to Kellison on a query about the ordination of Douai students by a bishop of another diocese

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 29

LC/A16/8 23 March 1641

Copy of a permission from the Congregation of Rites for England to celebrate the feast and octave of St Thomas of Canterbury

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/9 12 October 1645

Brief by Pope Innocent X to Lisbon College making the High Altar privileged

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 347

LC/A16/10 27 September 1679

Brief by Pope Innocent XI to Lisbon College making the High Altar privileged

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 236d

LC/A16/11 27 January 1680

Dispensation by Pope Innocent XI to Robert Langley (Langthey) from canonical age (13 months)

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/12 18 September 1698

(1) Plenary indulgence by Pope Innocent XII for visits to the altar of St Thomas of Canterbury on his feast

(2) Brief by Pope Innocent XII for one privileged altar in the chapel

Language: Latin

2 items

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 347

LC/A16/13 13 October 1702

Dispensation by Pope Clement XI to J. Manley (Thorpe) from canonical age

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 171

LC/A16/14 7 August 1706

Dispensation by Pope Clement XI to M. Watkinson from his obligation to recite the breviary and other pious exercises

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 369

LC/A16/15 3 February 1720

Copy of a decree by the Congregation of the Rites to "James III" (Old Pretender) agreeing to his request for St Anslem's feast to be put in the universal calendar

Signatory: Cardinal Paulutinus, pro-prefect

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/16 25 August 1722

Petition from the Lisbon College superiors and alumni to Pope Innocent XIII asking for money to help rebuild the college

Signed by (or for) 28 Lisbonians in England and seconded by the president and superiors.

Presumably not sent

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 162b

LC/A16/17 10 August 1757

Decree by the Roman Inquisition to John Preston on permission to read prohibited books

Valid for 5 years

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/18 29 September 1773

Authenticated copy of a papal letter of 21 September 1773 on the revenues of the abbacy of St Eulalia belonging to the de Gondoris family

This was Preston's benefice

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/19 20 July 1777

Dispensation by Pope Pius VI to J. Barnard from obligation to say 87,384 Masses (obligation masses which had not been said)

Signed: S. Borgia, secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 30

LC/A16/20 15 April 1778

Bull from Pope Pius VI to J. Barnard greatly reducing the number of obligation masses to be said in future

Signed: S. Borgia, secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 31

LC/A16/21 21 & 27 November 1779

Petition from Pope Pius VI to J. Barnard for dispensation from canonical age for Thomas Caton and Thomas Webster

Signed: S. Borgia, secretary of Propaganda

With an additional copy

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/22 [January] 1780

Petition by J. Barnard to the king of Portugal seeking approval of the above dispensation

Language: Portuguese

2f

LC/A16/23 9 March 1780

Royal beneplacitum from the king of Portugal to J. Barnard granting the above dispensation

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/24 19 February 1782

Printed decree by Pope Pius VI to the church of St Anthony, Lisbon, confirming exemption

Language: Latin

3p

LC/A16/25 17 November 1782

Decree by Pope Pius VI to W. Fryer granting permission for Fryer to read prohibited books and give permissions to others in Lisbon College

Valid during Fryer's presidency

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/26 3 February 1784

Authenticated copy of Pope Pius VI's bull of 23 December 1783, and the archbishop of Lacedemonia (vicar-general of Lisbon) giving Lisbon College 1,000 milreis p.a. from revenues in the diocese of Evora

Language: Portuguese and Latin

13f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 94

LC/A16/27 28 January 1785

Official copy of the terms of Jerome Allen's benefice

Sent by the Cancellaria of Rome

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/28 30 August 1785

Decree by Pope Pius VI to W. Fryer granting permission for each priest to celebrate mass daily, even on feast days, at Quita

Valid for ten years

Signed: S. Borgia, secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 92

LC/A16/29 25 September 1785

Decree by Pope Pius VI to W. Fryer granting permission for the president alone to present to orders when there is no procurator

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 299

LC/A16/30 26 May 1796

Copy by Pope Pius VI of indulgences granted

Language: Portuguese

8f

LC/A16/31 12 March 1798

Letter from Propaganda to Manoel Deas Santos informing him that the patriarch of Lisbon may dispense him from the Lisbon College oath and admit him to the priesthood

With a Portuguese translation

Language: Latin and Portuguese

3f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 327

LC/A16/32 30 March 1798

Brief by Pope Pius VI to Lisbon College giving permission to present to holy orders students of the college who have not taken the college oath, provided they have patrimony, pay for their education and are judged worthy

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 93

LC/A16/33 16 November 1798

Letter from the patriarch of Lisbon to the college approving of the papal brief above

Language: Portuguese and Latin

4f

LC/A16/34 11 January - 16 March 1807

Decrees from Pope Pius VII to the president of Lisbon College:

(1) Ten year permission for the president to read heretical books (11 January 1807)

(2) Permission for the president to read heretical books and to let students read prohibited books (25 January 1807)

(3) Royal beneplacitum (16 March 1807)

Language: Latin

3 items

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 95

LC/A16/35 25 January - 14 March 1807

Authenticated copy of a brief from Pope Pius VII to the superiors of Lisbon College giving perpetual permission to the president and regents of the college to read prohibited books and to give leave for reading them to their subjects

Language: Portuguese and Latin

1m

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 343

LC/A16/36 16 April 1817

Brief from Pope Pius VII to E. Winstanley for a personal privilege altar, the right to bless medals and for the right for himself, relatives and fifty others to gain plenary indulgence at the hour of death

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/37 22 April 1817

Brief from Pope Pius VII to E. Winstanley for lifelong permission to read forbidden books

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/38 21 June 1822

Brief from Pope Pius VII to C. Le Clerc offering a dispensation from canonical age (16 months)

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/39 1 July 1822

Petition by C. Le Clerc to Pope Pius VII for dispensation of one month for canonical age

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/40 5 July 1831

Copy from the Sacred Penitentiary on whether St Alphonsus Liguori can be safely followed by theology professors and confessors

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/41 24 - 31 August 1831

Copy of answers given by the Inquisition to queries about the lawfulness of lending money at interest

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/42 14 November 1837

Brief by Pope Gregory XVI to Lisbon College making St Joseph's a privileged altar

With an additional copy

Language: Latin and Italian

3f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 422

LC/A16/43 20 May 1838

Brief by Pope Gregory XVI declaring the Lady altar privileged

Signed by the secretary of Propaganda

With an additional copy

Language: Latin

3f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 409

LC/A16/44 30 January 1840

Brief by Pope Gregory XVI to J. Ilsley granting permission to Ilsley to say Matins and Lauds for the following day

Signed by Cardinal Frasoni, prefect of Propaganda

Language: Latin and Italian

1f

LC/A16/45 16 May 1841

Letter from Cardinal Frasoni to T. Hurst informing him that, as a result of the resumption of relations between the Holy See and Portugal, there is no need to get the patriarch's faculties confirmed

Also includes a copy of Hurst's petition

Language: Portuguese

3f

LC/A16/46 9 November 1841

Brief from Pope Gregory XVI to Lisbon College on the reduction of the founder's masses

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 424

LC/A16/47 2 August 1842 - 19 March 1853

Brief from Pope Gregory XVI to E. Winstanley, with approvals by the nuncio, of the new location of a private oratory in the college

Language: Latin

9f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 432

LC/A16/48 4 May 1845

Brief by Pope Gregory XVI to E. Winstanley confirming a faculty to absolve from heresy

Signed by the secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 428

LC/A16/49 4 May 1845

Brief by Pope Gregory XVI to the president of Lisbon College confirming the recent custom that, in the absence of a protector, the president or acting president may present men to orders

Signed by the secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 427

LC/A16/50 28 July 1851

Brief by Pope Pius IX to Lisbon College erecting the altar of St Thomas of Canterbury into a privileged altar

Language: Latin and Italian

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 433

LC/A16/51 25 April 1852

Brief by Pope Pius IX granting the nuncio's request on behalf of the college and Syon to extend permission granted to England and Wales to allow the feast of St Gregory to be a double of the second class, and St Bede's a major double, with a plenary indulgence attached to the feasts

Signed by Cardinal Barnabo, secretary of Propaganda (1 May 1852)

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 437

LC/A16/52 24 January - 20 March 1854

Authenticated copy (20 March 1854) of a brief (24 January 1854) constituting the nuncio as protector of Lisbon College and the president to be appointed by Propaganda (with names proposed by the English hierarchy)

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 439

LC/A16/53 7 November 1855

Letter from Cardinal Fransoni to the nuncio informing him that there is no obstacle on the nuncio's appointment of Baines as vice president because only the president's appointment needs to be approved by Propaganda

Language: Italian

2f

LC/A16/54 28 September 1856 - 25 March 1859

Brief by Pope Pius IX to Lisbon College granting permission to recite the office of Our Lord's Passion on the Fridays after Septuagesima

Signed by Gaetani, secretary of Propaganda

Includes a later note from P. Baines on the nuncio allowing the college and Syon to transfer this office

Language: Latin

3f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 499

LC/A16/55 28 February 1857

Letter from Cardinal Barnabo (prefect of Propaganda) to J. Ilsley: doctorates for Lawrence Richmond and Edward Brown and the Council of Cardinals planning to discuss the petition to revive the college's privileges of granting doctorates

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/56 20 April 1857

Letter from Cardinal Barnabo (prefect of Propaganda) to J. Ilsley: thanking him for his congratulations on the cardinalate and his promotion to the prefecture of Propaganda; informing him that the petition to make two of the staff doctors will be referred to the pope; and recommending the Rev Thomas MacAuliffe

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/57 21 February - 20 June 1857

Letter from Cardinal Barnabo (prefect of Propaganda) to J. Ilsley: referring the petition to the nuncio at Lisbon concerning conferring doctorates on Lawrence Richmond and Edward Browne

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 459

LC/A16/58 12 February 1858

Letter from Cardinal Barnabo (prefect of Propaganda) to J. Ilsley: Propaganda requesting an annual report

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/59 18 August 1858

Letter from the nuncio to Lisbon College granting permission to have Benediction twice a month and on feast days

Language: Latin and Portuguese

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 465

LC/A16/60 16 October 1860 - 30 January 1861

Documents sent by Lisbon College to Pope Pius IX:

(1) Loyal letter of condolence to the pope on the usurpation of the Papal States

(2) Signed reply of Pius IX

(3) Memorandum on the reading by P. Baines, vice-president, of Pius IX's reply to the students

Language: Latin

3 items

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 472

LC/A16/61 9 March 1863

Brief by Pope Pius IX granting permission to have the Benediction every Sunday, on holidays, and one other day a week

Signed by Pius XI (signature attested by George Talbot)

Language: Latin and Italian

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 478

LC/A16/62 29 April 1863

Brief by Pope Pius IX allowing all in the college to use lard or dripping on fasting and abstinence days

Language: Latin and Italian

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 479

LC/A16/63 9 November 1866 & 8 March 1867

Brief by Pope Pius IX to Lisbon College granting permission to erect *Via crucis* in the college chapel

Signed by Cardinal Barnabo (prefect of Propaganda)

Includes a certificate of completion by P. Baines

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 491

LC/A16/64 9 June 1867

Loyal address by the president and Lisbon College to Pope Pius IX to accompany a donation of £84

Signed by all in the college

Endorsement by P. Baines records that he presented it on 2 July 1867

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 494

LC/A16/65 21 June 1867

Decree from the Congregation of Rites to Lisbon College granting permission to keep the feast of St Eleutherius on May 29

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 497

LC/A16/66 6 July 1867

Letter of thanks by Pope Pius IX to the president and Lisbon College for their letter of 9 June 1867

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 494

LC/A16/67 14 July 1867

Brief from Pope Pius IX to James O'Connell granting a dispensation from canonical age (18 months)

Signed by the secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 496

LC/A16/68 14 July 1867

Brief from Pope Pius IX to William John Hogan granting a dispensation from canonical age (11 months)

Signed by Capalli, secretary of Propaganda

Language: Latin

1f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 495

LC/A16/69 3 April 1869

Printed poster in honour of Pope Pius IX on the 50th anniversary of his priesthood on the eve of the Vatican Council

Language: Portuguese

1 sheet

LC/A16/70 4 November 1870

Printed protest by Antonio d'Almedia E Sa and others against the taking of Rome from Pope Pius IX

Language: Portuguese

1 sheet

LC/A16/71 22 September 1874

Brief by Pope Pius IX making P. Baines a domestic prelate

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/72 19 December 1884

Brief by Pope Leo XIII making William Hilton a domestic prelate

Language: Latin

1f

LC/A16/73 21 December 1884

Notice by the secretary of State of Hilton's appointment as Domestic Prelate

Language: Italian

2f

LC/A16/74 16 January 1899

Letter from the Congregation of Propaganda to William Hilton on the dispute between Lisbon College and the bishops over the Williams Fund

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/75 11 December 1909

Decree from the Consistorial Congregation to the nuncio delegating him to watch over the discipline, studies and administration of Lisbon College and instructing him to report to the Congregation

Language: Latin

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 527

LC/A16/76 22 April 1922

Letter from the Congregation of Seminaries to the nuncio and Lisbon College: the ruling out of the superiors' privilege of presenting to orders

Language: Portuguese

2f

Ownership history: Old Catalogue Number 541

LC/A16/77 25 September 1922

Letter by Pope Pius IX to J. Cullen congratulating him on the tercentenary of the foundation of Lisbon College

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/78 30 September 1922

Brief by Pope Pius XI making J. Cullen a domestic prelate

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/79 24 March 1923

Letter from the Congregation of Seminaries to J. Cullen informing him that Pope Pius XI has refused dispensation for early ordinations to major orders

Includes a copy of Cullen's petition

Language: Latin

2f

LC/A16/80 21 February 1936

Copy of a report for 1932 - 34 from J. Cullen to the Congregation of Seminaries and Universities in compliance with an enclosed letter from Congregation of 1 February 1936, as well as an acknowledgement of 2 March 1936

Language: Latin

30f

LC/A16/81 15 September 1937

Brief from Pope Pius XI making J. Cullen a protonotary apostolic

Signed by Cardinal Pacelli

Includes a printed *ritus* for execution of the apostolic letters

Language: Latin
2 items