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22 July 2003

Dear Ms Phillips

Church of All Hallows Ringmore

I enclose the following parish registers for safekeeping at the Devon Record Office:

Ringmore Burial Register

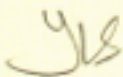
Entries 1-696 from January 1813 to November 1993.
The register was closed at December 1993

Ringmore Register of Marriages

Entries 1-176 (with missing entries) from December 1837 to September 1978
The register was closed in March 1979.

I should be grateful if you would let me have an official receipt for these parish records.

Yours sincerely



Yvonne Sheppard
Churchwarden

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL

Mrs M M Rowe
DEVON | HEAD OF RECORD SERVICES (ARTERS),
Concord | DEVON RECORD OFFICE
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OFFICIAL RECEIPT FOR DOCUMENTS

Deposit Number 1980A/add

Code MMR/LB

The items specified below were received on ~~XXXXXX~~/permanent deposit in the Devon Record Office on 4th October 1978

from The Reverend George Corbett, The Rectory, Ringmore, Kingsbridge, TQ7 4HR.

I acknowledge that the ownership and copyright of the documents deposited remain vested in the depositor, his/~~her~~/their successors and legal representatives.

Signed A. M. Rowe pp A.E. Bennett
(County Secretary)

Date 6/10/78

Schedule

Parish registers (6), 1719 - 1860 (with one entry 1940); registers of services (4), 1912 - 1978; Churchwardens' accounts (3), 1770 - 1961; Rural Dean's book (1), 1823 - 1965; misc. accounts and faculties, etc., 1919 - 1955; Men's Club account book, 1907 - 1933, all being additional parish records of Ringmore.

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RINGMORE
PARISH

REGISTERS

PR 1	Baptisms Marriages Burials	1719 - 1793 1719 - 1748 1719 - 1792
PR 2	Baptisms and Births	1794 - 1814
PR 3	Baptisms	1813 - 1860 (and one entry 1940)
PR 4	Marriages	1754 - 1805
PR 5	Marriages	1806 - 1812
PR 6	Marriages	1813 - 1836
PR 7-10	Registers of Services (4) 1912-1931; 1931-1945; 1945-1949; 1959-78.	1912 - 1978

BENEFICE

PB 1	Copy Glebe Terrier	1745 (extracted 1861)
PB 2	Valuation of the Rectory Glebe.	1876

CHURCHWARDENS

PW 1	Account book, with rates	1770 - 1860
PW 2	Account book, with some Vestry minutes from 1925	1860 - 1940
PW 3	Account book	1887 - 1961
PW 4	Rural Dean's Visitation Book	1823 - 1965

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PW 5	Bundle of accounts and vouchers, correspondence, chiefly with Mr. Hingeston Randolph.	c. 1925 - 1955
PW 6	Specification and estimate for cleaning and renovating the organ.	1931
PW 7	Faculty for a stained glass window.	10 Sept. 1919
PW 8	Petition for Confirmatory faculty for the triptych and processional cross.	1929

MISCELLANEOUS

PX 1	List of Rectors of Ringmore, 1434-1909	20th cent.
PX 2	Copy Conveyance of land for a parish hall.	1908
PX 3	Men's Club account book.	1907 - 1933

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PAROCHIAL REGISTERS AND RECORDS MEASURE, 1978

FORM 1. Schedule of Registers in
Parochial Custody

1. DIOCESE EXETER	2. PARISH RINGMORE
3. Name and Address of Inspecting Officer MMR Mrs. M.M. Rowe, Devon Record Office, Castle Street, Exeter, EX4 3PQ.	4. Date of First Inspection 4th October 1978
5. Usual Place of Custody Parish Church	DRO USE ONLY List prep by Copies to: Diocese DRO Incumbent ✓ PCC Form 5 RG Date 5/10/78

INVENTORY OF REGISTERS

6. NO.	7. CLASS/DESCRIPTION	8. DATES	9. REVIEW DATE
1	Register of Baptisms	1866 - still current	
2	Registers of Marriages	1837 - still current	
1	Register of Burials	1813 - still current	
1	Register of Banns	1945 - still current	
1	Register of Services	1978 - still current	
1	Confirmation Register	1956 - still current	AR

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PAROCHIAL REGISTERS AND RECORDS MEASURE, 1978

FORM 2. Schedule of Records in
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<p>5. Usual Place of Custody Parish Church</p>	<p>DRO USE ONLY List prep by Copies to: Diocese DRO Incumbent ✓ PCC Form 5 RG Date 5/10/78</p>

INVENTORY OF RECORDS

6. NO.	7. CLASS/DESCRIPTION	8. DATES	9. REVIEW DATE
1	Rural Dean's Book	1908 - still current	

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FORM 3. Report on Registers and Records
in Parochial Custody.

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WRITTEN REPORT

6. How and Where kept In wooden chest in the church. The chest is kept locked.	
7. Condition of Documents Fair	
8. Facilities for students and researchers By arrangement with the incumbent	
9. Temperature 60°	10. RH 64°
11. Central Heating None	

Registers last set to PBO L. 10. 78
Banns of marriage first 1948
last 9.5.1999 ✓

Registers of marriage first 1837
closed March 1879.

Burials 1813 start 1993 end

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1. INTRODUCTION

Every parish has a number of official registers and records. Most of these records have been discussed in previous chapters, so they are not described in detail here. It is useful to have a list of the registers and records which a church should have when preparing for an archdeacon's inspection. You also need to check the records and registers each year before the annual parochial church meeting.

2. BAPTISM AND OTHER REGISTERS

Ballpoint pens should not be used for official registers. The registers should be written up in a quality ink suitable for permanent records. The official registers are the following:

- Service register.
- Baptism register.
- Confirmation register.
- Banns of marriage register.

Baptism. 1860 - first entry
20799 last entry

to 40 years

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not
at

PART III. CHURCH PROPERTY

- Marriage register.
- Burial register (where the churchyard is still used for burials).

3. CLOSING REGISTERS

A register should be closed as soon as its oldest entry is 150 years old. That means that no further entries should be made in it. The only exception is marriage registers begun after June 1837, which are allowed to stay in use.

To close a register, draw a line in ink across the page beneath the last entry in the register, and write the following:

This register is now closed so that it can be deposited in the [name of diocese] Diocesan Record Office under the Parochial Registers and Records Measure 1978. *

followed by the date and the parish priest's signature.

4. DEPOSITING OLD REGISTERS IN THE DIOCESAN RECORD OFFICE

All registers which have been closed should be deposited in the diocesan record office.

Any register whose last entry is over 100 years old should also be deposited in the diocesan record office.

You do not need a faculty in order to deposit registers in the diocesan record office.

If the PCC wants to retain these old registers it should write to the bishop asking for permission to keep the records in the parish. The PCC will have to agree to very strict standards for their preservation.¹ These include:

- keeping the registers in a wood-lined, rust-proofed, vented steel cabinet, fitted with a multi-lever lock.
- The cupboard should be loosely packed, and opened *every week* to allow free air circulation. Nothing except books or documents may be kept in the cupboard.
- The temperature and humidity should be checked *every week* and kept within strict limits. Records of all temperature and humidity readings