

ARCHBISHOP DRUMMOND'S VISITATION 1764

THE ARCHDEACONRY OF
NOTTINGHAM

ROBERT HAY DRUMMOND 1711-1776

- 2ND SON OF GEORGE HAY, 7TH EARL OF KINOULL and LADY ABIGAIL HARLEY, DAUGHTER OF THE FIRST EARL OF OXFORD AND EARL MORTIMER, the LORD HIGH TREASURER.
- MATERNAL GRANDFATHER WAS VISCOUNT STRATHALLAN WHOSE ESTATES IN PERTHSHIRE WERE LEFT TO ROBERT WHO THEN ADOPTED THE DRUMMOND NAME
- 1749 MARRIED HENRIETTA AURIOL, DAUGHTER OF A LONDON MERCHANT
3 DAUGHTERS DIED EARLY BUT 6 SONS SURVIVED
- GRAND TOUR 1731-1735 WITH HIS COUSIN THOMAS, DUKE OF LEEDS
- 1737 – ROYAL CHAPLAIN AND ACCOMPANIED GEORGE II ON THE GERMAN CAMPAIGN OF 1738
- 1748 BISHOP OF ST. ASAPH (made 3 visitations and assisted Archbishop Gilbert in a York visitation)
- 1761 BISHOP OF SALISBURY
- AUGUST 1761 ARCHBISHOP OF YORK

1764 VISITATION OF THE YORK DIOCESE

- ❖ drew upon his St. Asaph experiences
- ❖ drew upon the visitation questions of Archbishop Gilbert and Archbishop Herring at York
- ❖ can compare the questions and answers between Herring Visitation of 1743 (CHP web site) and Drummond's 1764 one
- ❖ questions submitted to clergy prior to visitation
they were expected to either send the answers before the visitation or hand them in at the time.
- ❖ clergy expected to attend and present their 'articles'
- ❖ allowed Drummond to meet his clergy and socialise with them

Herring received 174 completed return forms

Drummond received 191

5 parishes making returns to Herring failed to do so for Drummond.

List of those parishes which did not make a return or where the clergy were at fault *e.g. had incorrect articles or an unlicensed curate*

Direct comparison between 1743 and 1764 can be made at parish level

More difficult at Archdeaconry level because of the different questions and variable answers

Do not expect full detail for all parishes, some clergy less forthcoming than others; some very succinct and some professing a lack of knowledge

Lists of the clergy and churchwardens are useful

THE QUESTIONS

1. WHAT NUMBER OF FAMILIES HAVE YOU IN YOUR PARISH? OF THESE, HOW MANY ARE DISSENTERS? AND OF WHAT SORT OF DENOMINATION ARE THEY?
2. IS THERE ANY LICENSED OR OTHER MEETING-HOUSE IN YOUR PARISH? HOW MANY? OF WHAT SORT? HOW OFTEN DO THEY ASSEMBLE? IN WHAT NUMBER? WHO TEACHES THEM?

3. IS THERE ANY PUBLIC OR CHARITY SCHOOL, ENDOWED OR OTHERWISE MAINTAINED, IN YOUR PARISH?

WHEN AND BY WHOM WAS THE SCHOOL FOUNDED?

HOW IS IT NOW SUPPORTED?

WHO IS THE MASTER OR MISTRESS?

WHAT NUMBER OF CHILDREN, BOYS OR GIRLS, ARE TAUGHT IN IT?

IN WHAT LANGUAGE?

ARE THEY CLOATHED, MAINTAINED OR LODGED?

WHAT ARE THEY TAUGHT?

ARE THEY EMPLOYED IN WORKING, AND AFTERWARDS PUT OUT TO HUSBANDRY, TRADES OR SERVICES?

MORE PARTICULARLY, IS THERE CARE TAKEN TO INSTRUCT THE CHILDREN IN THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION, ACCORDING TO THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, AND TO BRING THEM DULY TO CHURCH, AS THE CANON REQUIRES?

4. IS THERE IN YOUR PARISH ANY ALMS HOUSE, HOSPITAL, OR OTHER CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT?

HAVE ANY LANDS OR TENEMENTS BEEN LEFT FOR THE REPAIR OF YOUR CHURCH, OR TO ANY OTHER PIOUS USE?

WHO HAS THE DIRECTION OF SUCH BENEFACTIONS?

HOW ARE THEY MANAGED?

DO YOU KNOW OR HAVE YOU HEARD, OF ANY ABUSES OR FRAUDS COMMITTED IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THEM?

HAS THERE BEEN ANY AUGMENTATION TO YOUR CHURCH BY BENEFACTION, OR LOT FROM QUEEN ANN'S BOUNTY, AND WHEN?

HAS THERE BEEN ANY PURCHASE OF LANDS, ETC. IN CONSEQUENCE OF THAT AUGMENTATION?

AND WHAT DOES THAT PURCHASE CONSIST IN, AND AMOUNT TO YEARLY?

5. DO YOU RESIDE PERSONALLY UPON YOUR CURE, AND IN YOUR PARSONAGE HOUSE?

IF NOT, WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

AND WHAT IS THE REASON OF YOUR NON-RESIDENCE?

6. HAVE YOU A RESIDING CURATE?

WHAT IS HIS NAME?

HOW LONG HAS HE BEEN CURATE?

IS HE DULY QUALIFIED ACCORDING TO THE CANONS IN THAT BEHALF?

DOETH HE LIVE IN YOUR PARSONAGE HOUSE?

IF NOT, WHERE DOETH HE LIVE?

WHAT ALLOWANCE DO YOU MAKE HIM?

7. DO YOU PERFORM DIVINE SERVICE IN ANY CHURCH BESIDES YOUR OWN?

ON WHAT DAYS AND AT WHAT TIMES IS DIVINE SERVICE PERFORMED IN YOUR CHURCH?

IF NOT TWICE EVERY LORD'S DAY, WITH A SERMON IN THE MORNING FOR WHAT REASON?

8. DO YOU KNOW ANY WHO COME TO CHURCH IN YOUR PARISH THAT ARE NOT BAPTIZED?

OR THAT BEING BAPTIZED, AND OF COMPETENT AGE, ARE NOT CONFIRMED?

HAVE YOU BAPTIZED ANY ADULTS SINCE MY COMING TO BE YOUR BISHOP?

IF YOU HAVE, I DESIRE YOU TO EXHIBIT A SCHEDULE OF THEIR NAMES AND AGES.

9. HOW OFTEN, AND AT WHAT TIMES, DO YOU CATECHISE IN YOUR CHURCH?

DO YOUR PARISHIONERS DULY SEND THEIR CHILDREN AND SERVANTS TO BE INSTRUCTED AND CATECHISED?

DO THEY LEARN ANY, AND WHAT, EXPOSITING, FOR BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHURCH CATECHISM?

10. HOW OFTEN IS THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER ADMINISTERED IN YOUR CHURCH?

DO YOU GIVE OPEN AND TIMELY NOTICE THAT IT IS TO BE ADMINISTERED?

WHAT NUMBER OF COMMUNICANTS ARE THERE IN YOUR PARISH?

HOW MANY OF THEM USUALLY RECEIVE?

PARTICULARLY HOW MANY DID COMMUNICATE AT EASTER LAST?

HAVE YOU REFUSED THE SACRAMENT TO ANYONE?

FOR WHAT REASON?

AN HOW HAS THE PERSON SO REFUSED BEHAVED HIMSELF SINCE THAT TIME?

11. HAVE YOU ANY CHAPELS WITHIN YOUR PARISH?

WHAT ARE THE NAMES OF THEM?

HOW FAR ARE THEY DISTANT FROM THE PARISH CHURCH?

HOW ARE THEY ENDOWED?

BY WHOM, AND AT WHAT TIMES, ARE THEY SERVED?

IS THE CURATE DULY QUALIFIED?

BY WHOM, AND WHEN, WAS HE NOMINATED?

HAVE YOU ANY CHAPEL IN RUINS, IN WHICH NO DIVINE SERVICE IS PERFORMED?

12. HAVE ANY PUBLIC PENANCES BEEN PERFORMED IN YOUR CHURCH SINCE I BECAME YOUR BISHOP?

DO YOU KNOW OF ANY COMMUTATIONS OF PENANCE MADE BY ANY OF YOUR PARISH WITHIN THE SAME TIME?

BY WHOM WAS IT DONE?

FOR WHAT MONEY?

AND TO WHAT USE WAS THAT MONEY APPLIED?



He finishes with a request for advice, proposals to be made to him and also requests details of the dates of the incumbent's Deacons and Priest's orders.