

Papers of Fr Peadar Mac Suibhne

Identity Statement	
Reference Code	IE DA P2
Title	Papers of Fr Peadar Mac Suibhne
Creation Dates	1794-1981
Level of Description	Fonds
Extent & Medium	25 boxes
Context	
Administrative & Biographical History	Fr Peadar Mac Suibhne (1896-1982) was born as Peter Swayne near Ballon, Co. Carlow. He was educated at Knockbeg College, Clonliffe College, University College Dublin and Carlow College (1916-1920), and was ordained in 1920 for the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. Fr Mac Suibhne was on the staff of Knockbeg College (1920-1949), including a period as Rector (1927-1949). He then served as parish priest, Suncroft (1949-1951) and Kildare (1951-1970), both Co. Kildare. He retired to Carlow College in 1970 and worked on the College archives. Fr Mac Suibhne was a keen historian and wrote or edited a number of books, including a five-volume work on the letters of Paul Cardinal Cullen, Archbishop of Dublin (1803-1878); parish histories of Killeslin/Graiguecullen, Clonegal, Ballon and Rathangan; the 1798 Rebellion in Carlow and Kildare; St Brigid; and various works relating to Carlow College and Knockbeg College.
Immediate Source of Acquisition	Transferred by Carlow College, St Patrick's
Content & Structure	
Scope & Content	The collection reflects Fr Mac Suibhne's research interests. There are various sources about local and ecclesiastical history. There is also some material arising from Fr Mac Suibhne's parish appointments in Suncroft and Kildare. While some documents were likely collected by Fr Mac Suibhne himself, it is considered that the provenance of some items is Carlow College or the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin and that these documents are preserved among Fr Mac Suibhne's Papers due to access to the college and diocesan archives.
Arrangement	A – Archival documents by county I - Carlow II – Kildare III- Waterford IV - Laois V - Wexford VI – Offaly VII – Kilkenny B – Clergy I – General

	II – Fr Edward O’Leary C – Writings of Fr Peadar Mac Suibhne I – General II – Professor James W. Kavanagh III – Paul Cardinal Cullen D – Carlow College I – Seminary and Lay College II - Knockbeg E – Newspapers, other printed matter and publications F – Photographs and other images G – Scrapbooks H – Correspondence I – Parish work, County Kildare I – Suncroft II – Kildare J – Political material K – Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin L – Research papers and lectures M – Community organisations I – Muintir na Tíre II – Carlow Arts Council N – Edward O’Toole, local historian O – Maps P - Miscellaneous
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