

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS

Bathampton, Bath, Somerset

PART 5

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Introduction

The following was inspired by the list of clergy currently (2026) by the west end of the nave, as well as the excellent work of the Bathampton Local History Research Group in publishing the previous four volumes. The research in the volume has amended some of the dates on this list, unearthed more clergymen and discovered the details about many of their lives.

My sources have primarily been the various Bishop's Registers (1309-1363, 1401-1443), Foster's *Alumni Oxoniensis* (1501-1855), the online Clergy of the Church of England Database (1527-1824) and the online *Cambridge Alumni Database* (1776-1930). It is hoped to use Crockford's *Clerical Dictionary*, Foster's *Index Ecclesiasticus* and the other Bishop's Registers in time as well.

Such a work as this is never complete: the earliest complete Bishop's Register in our diocese is that of John Droxford, starting in 1309, so the first generations of our clergy is unknown to us, while the end dates of most tenures are unknown until the 16th century.

Nonetheless, it is my hope that the list of our clergymen over the past ten centuries will encourage current and future generations of the Christian community at Bathampton, especially our ministers.

fl.c1190: Robert

- Brother of Peter
- Described as parson of Hamton in charters of uncertain date.¹
- Date implied by dating in other signatories to the charters.

fl.1261: John

- Isolated reference to William Button, Bishop of Bath, joining Hantone and Claverton as a liberty.
- John, 'rector of Hampton' is mentioned in a 1261 debt to the Prior.²
- A 'J' is referred to as the 'rector of the church of Hampton next Bath' in two similar debts to the Prior of possibly c.1290.³

fl.1297: Alan

- Presumably Alan de Brokeneberwe, who, as rector of Hampton, had a suit brought against him on 'charges of adultery and other crimes' in 1310.⁴
- During his tenure (1302-1310), Bishop Haselshaw gives Hampton Church to the Bath Priory.⁵

fl.1308: Roger**1314-1317: Henry of Foleham**

- Possibly of Fulham, London: others known as 'de Fulham' were resident in London in a similar period
- The Bishop collated Henry de Foleham, his Clerk, Acolite, to the Church of Hampton (May 1314 at Pucklechurch)
- Inducted by the Archdeacon of Bath⁶

1317-1326: William of Walcot

- Presumably of Walcot, Bath.
- Newly ordained.
- Instituted and inducted vicar of Bathampton (7 Kal. Nov. 1317 at Evercreech).
- Patron: Prior of Bath.⁷

¹ Chartularies, Vol. 2, p.13, p.14.

² Chartularies, Vol. 2, p.27.

³ Chartularies, Vol. 2, p.85.

⁴ Chartularies, Vol. 2, p.111.

⁵ Chartularies, Vol. 2, p.158-9.

⁶ Drokenford Register, p.71.

⁷ Drokenford Register, p.173.

1326-1342: John of Badmynton

- Presumably of Badminton, Gloucestershire.
- Instituted vicar of Bathampton (20th March 1326/7 at Blackford).
- Patron: Prior of Bath.
- Inducted by Archdeacon of Bath.⁸

1342-1348: John Brown

- Other Browns present in the diocese.
- Instituted to the vicarage of the parish church of Hampton juxta Bath (V Kal. December 1342 at Wyvelescombe).
- Presented by the Prior and Chapter of Bath.⁹

1348: William le Vynour

- Possibly relation to Richard le Vignour / Veygnour of Bath, imprisoned and bailed for 40 livres of silver in 1344.¹⁰
- Bishop instituted him to the vicarage of Hampton juxta Bath (IV Id. January 1348 at Wyvelescombe).
- Presented by the Prior and Chapter of Bath.¹¹
- Bishop instituted him to the church of Donkurtone (ij Id., February 1348 at Wyvelescombe).
- Presented by John de Poderton, Lord of Donkurton.¹²

1348-1349: John Herberd

- Bishop admitted him to the vicarage of the parish church of Hampton (iv Id., March 1348 at Wyvelyscombe)
- Presented by the Prior and Convent of Bath¹³
- Bishop admitted him to the vicarage of the parish church of Compton Dando (III Non. August 1349 at Wyvelyscombe)
- Presented by the Prior and Convent of Bath¹⁴

1349: John of Walcot

⁸ Drokenford Register, p.256

⁹ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.457

¹⁰ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.412

¹¹ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.572

¹² Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.579

¹³ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.584

¹⁴ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.615

- Presumably of Walcot, Bath
- Possibly a kinsman of William of Walcot, who served as vicar from 1317-1326, and / or Walter de Walcot, a laymen who participated in the 1340 trial of the Archdeacon of Bath for incontinency¹⁵
- Bishop admitted him to the vicarage of the parish church of Hampton (III Non. August 1349 at Wyvelyscombe)
- Presented by the Prior and Chapter of Bath¹⁶

1349-1362: Nicholas of Carssecombe

- Presumably of Castle Combe, Wilts
- Ralph de Salopa, Bishop of Bath & Wells, permits the vicar to celebrate services at the Hussee oratory
- Bishop admitted him (Sir Nicholas de Carscombe) to the church of Tymberghe, vacant by the death of Robert Morcoke, at the presentation of William de Edyngdon, Bishop of Winchester (23rd March 1361/2 at Wyveliscomb)¹⁷

1362-: William Eode

- Bishop instituted him (Sir William Eode) to the vicarage of Hampton, vacant by the resignation of Sir Nicholas de Carssecombe, pertaining to the Prior and Convent of Bath (15th April 1362 at Wyveliscomb)¹⁸

>1407-1410: John Stafford

- Bastard son of Sir Humphrey Stafford of various estates and 'Emma' of North Bradley
- Received papal dispensation, presumably to serve as a cleric, in 1408.
- Appointed Vicar of Bathampton.
- Appointed Rector of Farmborough on 25th September 1408, made vacant by the free resignation of Sir Nicholas Stykelynche, priest, the last rector, to which he was presented by Sir Humphry Stafford and inducted by the Archdeacon of Bath.¹⁹
- Made acolyte and sub-deacon by Bishop on Easter Saturday 1409.²⁰
- Resigned as Vicar of Bathampton by 29th July 1410.²¹
- Made Doctor of Canon Law by 1413.²²

¹⁵ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.429

¹⁶ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.615.

¹⁷ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.759.

¹⁸ Ralph of Salisbury Register, p.762.

¹⁹ Bubwith Register, p.408.

²⁰ Bubwith Register, p.490.

²¹ Bubwith Register, p.82.

²² Bubwith Register, p.165.

- Received Bishop's dispensation to have masses and other divine offices celebrated in his manor according to the chapter Cinn ex eo, in lieu of his fifth year granted to him of right (at 30th August 1413).²³
- Appointed Prebend of Barton St David in 1413, lasting until 1422/3.²⁴
- Received letters dimissory from the Bishop to the orders of the diaconate and priesthood (on 23rd February 1414 at London?).²⁵
- Resigned as rector of Farnborough by 20th March 1416, when his successor was appointed.²⁶
- Appointed Dean of the Arches in 1419 / 1423.²⁷
- Served as Archdeacon of Salisbury in 1419-1422.
- Served as Lord Privy Seal in 1421-1422.
- Served as Dean of Wells in 1422/3-1424.
- Served as Lord High Treasurer in 1422-1450.
- Served as Bishop of Bath & Wells from 18th December 1424, consecrated 27th May 1425.
- Served as Archbishop of Canterbury from May 1443.
- Died at his manor in Maidstone on 25th May 1452.

1410-1411: Phillip ap Wyllyn

- Alias 'Long'
- Instituted by Vicar General as perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hampton by Bath, vacant by the resignation of John Stafford, at the presentation of the Prior and Chapter of Bath (on 29th July 1410 at Wells).²⁸

1411-1413: Walter Clyve

- Possible kinsman to Thomas Clyve of Langelete Priory (made acolyte then deacon in 1413) and William Clyve (vicar of Canyngton from 1417)²⁹
- Priest by 30th January 1411
- Instituted by Bishop as perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hampton by Bath, vacant by the free resignation of Philip ap Wyllym, at the presentation of the prior and convent of Bath (on 30th January 1411 at Wells).³⁰
- Exchanged his role with that of John Barker, becoming vicar of Mynty, Diocese of Salisbury, on 5th November 1413.³¹

²³ Bubwith Register, p.145.

²⁴ Bubwith Register, p.165, p.418.

²⁵ Bubwith Register, p.169.

²⁶ Bubwith Register, p.231.

²⁷ Bubwith Register, p.483/4.

²⁸ Bubwith Register, p.82.

²⁹ Bubwith Register, p.508, p.136, p.282, pp.328-329.

³⁰ Bubwith Register, p.100.

³¹ Bubwith Register, p.151.

1413-1420: John Barker

- Formerly perpetual vicar of Mynty, Diocese of Salisbury
- Presented by the Prior and Chapter to the perpetual vicarage of the parish church of Hampton by Bath, due to the aforementioned exchange, he took the oath of obedience and had letters for his induction on 8th November 1413.³²
- Died in post by 6th March 1420.³³

1420: Thomas Beteyne

- Possibly kinsman to John Bateyn, rector of West Coker (to 1409) then St Thomas the Apostle, London (from 1409), then Oke (to 1417).³⁴
- Already priest by 1420.
- Instituted by Bishop as perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hampton, at the presentation of the prior and chapter of Bath (on 6th March 1420 at Dogmersfeld).³⁵
- Exchanged benefices with William Fitz Rauf, perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hundlavyngton of the Diocese of Salisbury (in c.7th November 1420).³⁶

1420-1421: William Fitz Rauf

- Formerly perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hundlavyngton of the Diocese of Salisbury.
- Instituted by Bishop to the vicarage of Hampton by Bathe at the presentation of the prior and chapter of Bath, and took the oath of obedience to the Bishop and had letters to induct (on 7th November 1420 at Dogmersfeld).³⁷

1421-1427: Henry Coventre

1427-1451: Thomas Keynesham

- Bishop instituted Sir Thomas Keynesham, chaplain, as perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hampton by Bath at the presentation of the prior and chapter of the cathedral church of Bath (25th August 1427 at Woky Manor)³⁸

1451-1459: William Crosse

- Possibly kinsman to William Crosse of Tetton (fl.1411) in the parish of Kyngeston.³⁹

³² Bubwith Register, p.151.

³³ Bubwith Register, p.385.

³⁴ Bubwith Register, p.51, p.282.

³⁵ Bubwith Register, p.385.

³⁶ Bubwith Register, p.396.

³⁷ Bubwith Register, p.396.

³⁸ Stafford Register, p.56.

1459-1464: Gregory Rothymberg

- Possibly connected to Rothenburg

1464-1465: William Barry

1465-1467: Hugh Baker

1467-1474: Roger Crump

1474: Thomas Stevyn

1474-1483: Thomas Portman

1483-1487: Henry Harwode

1487-1493: William Biconal

1493-1500: Thomas Rundel

1500-1501: John Fox

- A M. John Fox served as prebendary from 15th July 1511 until he exchanged it with Richard Rawson for a prebendary in St Stephen's Chapel, Westminster.

1501-1527: Thomas Cogan

- 'M.A. (sup. 20 May) 1506, vicar of Over Stowey and of Bathampton, Somerset, 1500. See Weaver'⁴⁰

1527-1567: Richardus Gybens

- Title: Dom.
- Instituted 2nd September 1527 at Hampton.
- Visited 23rd April 1561.⁴¹
- A 'Richard Gibbes' was curate of St Mary de Stalls Chapel, licenced 4th September 1541 and visited 23rd April 1561.⁴²

³⁹ Bubwith Register, p.105.

⁴⁰ Alumni, p.298

⁴¹ SRO, D/D/Ca 30 (Liber Cleri).

⁴² SRO, D/D/Ca 30 (Liber Cleri).

1567-1571: Richardus Houseman

- Title: Dom.
- Noted as 'literate' in 1560/1 i.e. 'did not possess a degree, but that he was judged by the bishop to possess sufficient learning to qualify for ordination'.
- A 'Richardus Houseman' was licenced as Reader on 8th March 1560 at Winterborne with the comment: 'Houseman of parish of Holy Trinity, Bristol'.⁴³
- A 'Richardus Houseman' was licenced as Reader on 3rd September 1561 at Omnium Sanctorum, Bristol, with the comment: 'Housman of Sancti Trinitatis'.⁴⁴
- Instituted perpetual vicar on 31st October 1567 at Bathehampton.⁴⁵
- Resigned 28th June 1571 as perpetual vicar of Bathehampton.⁴⁶
- A 'Richus Howsenam' was visited on 8th January 1578 as stipendiary curate at Chewe Magna.⁴⁷
- A 'Richus Howsman' was visited on 8th January 1579 as stipendiary curate at Wraxall.⁴⁸
- A 'Richardus Houseman' was visited on 8th January 1582 as stipendiary curate at Chewe Magna.⁴⁹

1571-1577: Mathew Pickering, B.A.

- Title: Dom.
- Matriculated scholar at Trinity College, Oxford, in 1569; graduated B.A. on 12th February 1571/2.⁵⁰
- Instituted perpetual vicar on 28th June 1571 at Bathehampton.⁵¹
- Resigned 23rd July 1577 as perpetual vicar of Bathehampton.⁵²
- Appointed 21st May 1577 as rector of Henton Blewet under the Advowson from Richardus Sheward of Chilcompton Arm. and Elenora his wife.⁵³
- Subscription 21st June 1577 as rector of Henton Blewett.⁵⁴
- Visited 7th August 1606 as rector of Henton Blewett.⁵⁵
- Died 12th May 1612 as rector of Henton Blewett.⁵⁶

⁴³ BRO, EP/J/1/5 (Cause Book).

⁴⁴ BRO, EP/J/1/5 (Cause Book).

⁴⁵ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁴⁶ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register).

⁴⁷ TNA, E179/5 (Clerical Subsidy records).

⁴⁸ TNA, E179/5 (Clerical Subsidy records).

⁴⁹ TNA, E179/5 (Clerical Subsidy records).

⁵⁰ Foster Ind Eccles; <https://www.british-history.ac.uk/alumni-oxon/1500-1714/pp1154-1181>

⁵¹ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁵² SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register).

⁵³ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register): Patron: lay (type), *pro hac vice* (role), Edwardus Lewknor (name).

⁵⁴ BL, Add. MS 33973 (Subscription Bool)

⁵⁵ SRO, D/D/Vc 73 (Consignation Book): 1606.

⁵⁶ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/31 (Institution Book): comment: 'patron 2 - wife of patron 1'.

1577-1606: Thomas Powell

- Title: Dom.
- Appointed & subscribed 12th August 1573 as rector of Burnett.⁵⁷
- Instituted rector there on 9th November 1575.⁵⁸
- Instituted & subscribed perpetual vicar on 23rd July 1577 at Bathehampton.⁵⁹
- Died as vicar on 12th May 1606.⁶⁰

1606-1620: Ludovicus Jones

- Alias Lewis Jones
- Ordained in Bath & Wells by William Lyon, Bishop of Cork, on 17th June 1607.⁶¹
- Appointed as vicar of Bathehampton on 12th May 1606 and as perpetual vicar on 27th May 1606 with 'presentation addressed to John, Bishop of Bath and Well' and under the ordinary / jurisdiction of 'Bristol, Dean and Chapter'.⁶²
- Visited 8th August 1606.⁶³
- Instituted and installed as rector of Monkton Farleigh on 23rd December 1606, which was 'instituted by the authority of the Bishop of Salisbury' and under the jurisdiction of George Abbot / Henry Cotton with the additional comment 'Patron from an assignment by Georgius Brittain, Gentleman'.⁶⁴
- Visited as rector of Monkton Farleigh on 31st May 1613 with the comment 'non est grad nec predicator' (he is not graduate? nor preacher).⁶⁵
- Visited as vicar of Bathehampton 1st August 1620.⁶⁶
- Resigned as vicar of Bathehampton on 30th December 1620.⁶⁷
- Died as rector of Monkton Farleigh on 11th October 1639 with the comment 'King is patron per lapsum temporis by depravity, simony or some other cause'.⁶⁸

Richardus Shute (fl.1614)

⁵⁷ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register); BL, Add. MS 33973 (Subscription Book): lawfully vacant, patron: lay (type), own right (role) and Johannes Cutt, merchant of City of Bristol, (name).

⁵⁸ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register): patron: Queen Elizabeth I.

⁵⁹ SRO, D/D/B Register 15 (Episcopal Register); BL, Add. MS 33973 (Subscription Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁶⁰ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/31 (Institution Book)

⁶¹ SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁶² SRO, D/D/B.Reg/31 (Institution Book); SRO, D/D/Vc 73 (Consignation Book): 1606; SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620. BRO, DC/E/1/1(C) (Chapter Act Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right / pleno jure (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁶³ SRO, D/D/Vc 73 (Consignation Book): 1606.

⁶⁴ W&SRO, D1/53 (Exhibit Book): patron: lay (type), *pro hac vice* (role), Widow Catherine Cornewallis.

⁶⁵ W&SRO, D1/53 (Exhibit Book)

⁶⁶ SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁶⁷ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/31 (Institution Book).

⁶⁸ WAM, CH/02/01/005 (Subscription roll)

- Ordained priest on 19th March 1611 by John Lancaster, Bishop of Waterford & Lismore.⁶⁹
- Licenced as curate of Bathehampton on 15th February 1614.⁷⁰
- Visited as curate of Bathehampton on 1st August 1620, though 'entry crossed through'.⁷¹

Howellus Lewse (fl.1620)

- Visited as curate of Bathehampton on 1st August 1620, 'Replacing Richardus Shute - crossed through'.⁷²

1620-1663: Owen Lewis, B.A.

- Graduated B.A. from Christ Church, Oxford, on 3rd March 1602/3.⁷³
- Ordained priest by Henry Cotton, Bishop of Salisbury, on 9th March 1603.⁷⁴
- Appointed as rector / vicar of Bathehampton on 30th December 1620.⁷⁵
- Visited 1639.⁷⁶

1664-1670: John Doling, B.A.

- Alias: Johannes Dollen, Dolling, Dolinge
- Born 1618/9, son of Josia Doling of St. Phillip's, County Gloucester, pleb[ian]; matriculated St. John's College, Oxford, on 27th April 1638, aged 19; graduated B.A. from Pembroke College, Oxford, on 22nd January 1641-2.⁷⁷
- Ordained deacon by Robert Skinner, Bishop of Bristol, on 19th September 1641.⁷⁸
- Ordained priest by Thomas Westfield, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 24th September 1643.⁷⁹
- Appointed as perpetual vicar of Tickenham on 22nd October 1661.⁸⁰
- Swore oath against taking arms against the King on 14th August 1662.⁸¹
- Visited 1662.⁸²

⁶⁹ SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁷⁰ SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁷¹ SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁷² SRO, D/D/Vc 79 (Consignation Book): 1620.

⁷³ <https://www.british-history.ac.uk/alumni-oxon/1500-1714/pp892-921>

⁷⁴ SRO, D/D/Vc 40 (Consignation Book): 1639.

⁷⁵ SRO, D/D/Vc 40 (Consignation Book): 1639; SRO, D/D/B.Reg/31 (Institution Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno iure (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁷⁶ SRO, D/D/Vc 40 (Consignation Book): 1639.

⁷⁷ 'Foster'

⁷⁸ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book).

⁷⁹ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book).

⁸⁰ SRO, D/D/Vc.41 (Exhibition Book) 1662: Patron: Episcopal (type), pleno iure (role), Gilbertus, Bishop of Bristol (details).

⁸¹ SRO, D/D/BS/40 (Subscription Book).

⁸² SRO, D/D/Vc.41 (Exhibition Book): 1662.

- Appointed as vicar of Bathford and Bath Hampton on 3rd February 1664 and 2nd February 1663/4.⁸³
- Visited 1669; the Bathford visitation bears the comment ‘not licensed to preach’.⁸⁴

1670: Nathaniel Masters

- Born 1646-9, son of James Masters of Bath, minister; matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxford, on 12th February 1663/4, aged 16.⁸⁵
- Ordained deacon by Gilbert Ironside, Bishop of Bristol, in Diocese of Bath & Wells on 24th December 1665.⁸⁶
- Ordained priest at Wells Cathedral Chapel by William Peirs, Bishop of Bath & Wells on 20th December 1668; record notes ‘title = curacy of Wells, St Cuthbert’.⁸⁷
- Appointed preacher in Diocese of Bath & Wells on 17th July 1668; record notes ‘curate of Bathewecke’.⁸⁸
- Visited as curate at Bath Sancti Jacobi in 1669.⁸⁹
- Visited as curate at Bath Sancti Michaelis in 1669.⁹⁰
- Instituted as vicar at Bath Hampton and Bathford on 9th February 1670.⁹¹

1670-1684: Thomas Sneed, B.A.

- Born 1621/2, son of John [Sneed] of Bristol, a gentleman, matriculated at New Inn Hall on 31st March 1637, aged 16, graduated B.A. on 12th November 1640.
- Appointed rector of Lamyat in 1651.⁹²
- Instituted as perpetual vicar of Bathford and Bathampton, and preacher in Archdeaconry of Bath / Diocese of Bath & Wells on 1st September 1670.⁹³

1684: Richard Roberts, M.A.

- Alias Richardus Roberts

⁸³ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/20 (Register); SRO, D/D/BS/40 (Subscription Book); SRO, D/D/BS/2 (Subscription Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno iure (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁸⁴ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book).

⁸⁵ Alumni, p.986.

⁸⁶ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book); BRO, Ep/A/10/1/1 pp.17 (Subscription Book).

⁸⁷ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/20 (Register).

⁸⁸ SRO, D/D/BS/41 (Subscription Book).

⁸⁹ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book): curiously still termed ‘Deacon’ here.

⁹⁰ SRO, D/D/Vc.43 (Exhibition Book).

⁹¹ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/20 (Register): patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), *pleno iure* (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (name); SRO, D/D/BS/4 (Subscription Book); SRO, D/D/B.Reg/20 (Register).

⁹² Alumni, p.1386; *Calamy*, iii. 226

⁹³ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/20 (Register); SRO, D/D/B.Reg/21 (Register); SRO, D/D/BS/5 (Subscription Book); SRO, D/D/BS/41 (Subscription Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno iure (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

- Born 1660/1, son of John [Roberts] of Bristol, Somersetshire, pleb[ian]; matriculated St John's College, Oxford, on 28th April 1676, aged 15; graduated B.A. from Magdalen Hall, Oxford, on 11th March, 1679/80, took M.A. in 1682.⁹⁴
- Ordained Wells Cathedral by Peter Mews, Bishop of Bath & Wells on 16th August 1684.⁹⁵
- Instituted perpetual vicar of Bathford and Bath Hampton on 16th August 1684.⁹⁶
- Received testimonials from Ricardus Thompson, Dean of Bristol; Georgius Williamson, Prebendary; and Jacobus Taylor, Clericus, on 12th September 1684; a note reads that these are either testimonials before ordination or for appointment.⁹⁷
- Vacated as perpetual curate of Bathford and Bath Hampton on 22nd October 1684.⁹⁸
- Appointed vicar of All Saints' Church, Bristol, witnessed by Henry Jones, on 1st October 1685; his successor was appointed on 29th September 1686.⁹⁹

1684-1695: William Jones, B.A.

- Alias Gulielmus Jones or Willielmus Jones
- Born 1660/1, son of Th[omas] Jones of Bristol city, pp; matriculated St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, on 20th July 1677, aged 16; perhaps graduated B.A. from University College, Oxford, on 26th March 1681.¹⁰⁰
- Ordained deacon at Wells Cathedral by Peter Mews, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 27th September 1681.¹⁰¹
- Instituted 22.10.84 as perpetual curate of Bathford and Bath Hampton on 22nd October 1685.¹⁰²
- Died in post as perpetual vicar by 12th December 1695.¹⁰³

1695-1721: William Heath, B.A.

- Alias Gulielmus or Wilhelmus Heath
- Born 1665/6, son of William Jones of Garsdon, Wiltshire, paup[er]; matriculated Magdalen Hall, Oxford, on 6th May 1684, aged 18; graduated B.A. on 6th March, 1687-8.¹⁰⁴
- Instituted rector at Bathweek and Wooley on 15th June 1684.¹⁰⁵

⁹⁴ Alumni, p.1264.

⁹⁵ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register).

⁹⁶ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

⁹⁷ BRO, Ep/A/12/1 (Ordination Papers).

⁹⁸ SRO D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register).

⁹⁹ BRO, Ep/A/10/1/4 (Subscription Book).

¹⁰⁰ Alumni, p/382

¹⁰¹ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register).

¹⁰² SRO, D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register); patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹⁰³ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/24 (Register).

¹⁰⁴ Alumni, p.687

- Ordained deacon at St Peter-in-the-East Church by Baptist Levinz, Bishop of Sodor & Man on 9th or 10th June 1688.¹⁰⁶
- Ordained priest at Wadham College Chapel, Oxford, by Gilbert Ironside, Bishop of Bristol on 22nd December 1689; this bears the note ‘Gilbertus ordains with the authority of the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury.’¹⁰⁷
- Instituted as (variously) perpetual vicar, preacher and vicar to Bathampton and Bathford and preacher, vicar on 12th December 1695.¹⁰⁸
- Visited as vicar of Bath Hampton, Bathford, Bathweek and Wooley in 1698.¹⁰⁹
- Instituted rector at Walcott under George Hooper, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 25th March 1707.¹¹⁰
- Died in post as rector of Bathweek / Capella de Wolley by 27th April 1721¹¹¹

1741-1766: Thomas Symons, B.A.

- Born 1710/1, son of Thomas Symons of Elborough, Somerset, gentleman; matriculated Balliol College, Oxford, on 4th November 1727, aged 16; graduated B.A. in 1731.¹¹²
- Ordained priest at Wells Cathedral on 21st December 1735 by John Wynne, Bishop of Bath & Wells.¹¹³
- Instituted vicar on 19th September 1741 at Hampton als Bath Hampton.¹¹⁴
- Instituted vicar on 3rd October 1741 at Fford als Bathford.¹¹⁵
- Appointed vicar on 26th March 1754 as surrogate to Edward Willes LLB Vicar General and Commissary Principal of bishop; James Tuthill appointed to post on 31st August 1758.¹¹⁶
- Died in post as vicar of Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton annexed on 7th January 1766.¹¹⁷

1766-1776: Thomas Chapman, B.A.

¹⁰⁵ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/22 (Register): patron: lay (type), pleno jure (role), Militerm (title) Henricus Capell (name), Balneo (Resid. Office).

¹⁰⁶ OCRO, MS Oxf. Dioc. Papers e. 16 (Subscription Book); OCRO, MS Oxf. Dioc. Papers d. 106 (Register)

¹⁰⁷ Where?

¹⁰⁸ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/24 (Register); SRO, D/D/BS/7 (Subscription Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol Cathedral, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹⁰⁹ SRO, D/D/Vc.2 (Liber Cleri).

¹¹⁰ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/25; SRO, D/D/BS/8 (Subscription Book): Patron: lay (type), pleno jure (role), Armiger (title) Robertus Gay (name).

¹¹¹ SRO D/D/B.Reg/25 (Register).

¹¹² Alumni Vol 4 p.1382

¹¹³ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/26 (Register).

¹¹⁴ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/26 (Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno jure (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹¹⁵ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/26 (Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno jure (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹¹⁶ SRO, D/D/BS/44 (Subscription Book)

¹¹⁷ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 28 (Institution Book) (Institution Book).

- Born 1719/20, son of John Chapman of Bristol, pleb[ian]; matriculated Magdalen College on 20th May 1737, aged 17; graduated B.A. on 3rd February 1740/1.¹¹⁸
- Ordained deacon at Wells Cathedral by John Wynne, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 19th September 1742.¹¹⁹
- Instituted vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton' annexed on 7th January 1766.¹²⁰
- Died in post as vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton' on 26th July 1776.¹²¹

1776-1790: John Berjew

- Baptised 5th December 1720 in Bristol, the son of Thomas & Ann Berjew of Bristol, gentleman.¹²²
- Matriculated Balliol College, Oxford, on 10th March 1737-8, aged 17; took B.A. in 1741 and M.A. from Christ Church, Cambridge, in 1753.¹²³
- Ordained deacon in Palace Chapel Gloucester by Martin Benson, Bishop of Gloucester, on 19th December 1742.¹²⁴
- Appointed assistant curate (office / status) and deacon (clerical status) at Frampton Cotterell in December 1742.¹²⁵
- Married Mary Cook c.1745, with whom he had at least two children.¹²⁶
- Instituted vicar of St Leonard's Church, Bristol, on 30th July 1750.¹²⁷
- Visited as vicar of St Leonard's Church in 1752.¹²⁸
- Resigned as vicar of St Leonard's Church on 12th May 1753 or 5th July 1753.¹²⁹
- Instituted vicar of All Saints, Bristol, on 30th May 1753.¹³⁰
- Visited as vicar of All Saints, Bristol, in 1757 and 1760.¹³¹
- Appointed chaplain to the Mayor of Bristol in 1771, which he held until 1775.¹³²
- Appointed domestic chaplain to Edward Southwell, 21st Baron Clifford on 9th May 1776, which was registered on 3rd June 1776.¹³³

¹¹⁸ Alumni Vol 1, p.240

¹¹⁹ SRO, D/D/B.Reg/26 (Register).

¹²⁰ SRO, D/D/B.Reg 28 (Institution Book) (Institution Book); SRO, BD/D/BS/45 (Subscription Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), pleno jure (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹²¹ SRO, D/D/B.Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register).

¹²² Alumni Vol 1 p99; <http://www.thosebefore.com/g0/p745.htm#i745>

¹²³ Alumni Vol 1 p99

¹²⁴ GRO, GDR 282A.

¹²⁵ GRO, GDR 282A.

¹²⁶ <http://www.thosebefore.com/g0/p745.htm#i745>

¹²⁷ BRO, Ep/A/5/1/2; Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname)..

¹²⁸ BRO Ep/V/1.

¹²⁹ BRO, Ep/A/9 (Resignations) vs BRO, Ep/A/5/1/2 (Institution Book).

¹³⁰ BRO, Ep/A/5/1/2; Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹³¹ BRO Ep/V/1.

¹³² <http://www.thosebefore.com/g0/p745.htm#i745>

¹³³ LPL, FV/I/XIV (Register of noblemen's chaplains).

- Instituted vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed' on 26th July 1776.¹³⁴
- Died on 10th January 1790 in his house in King Square, Bristol, while in post as vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed' and All Saints Bristol – note reads 'admitted and instituted' – and was buried with his wife in Bristol Cathedral.¹³⁵

1790-1794: John Camplin

- Born 1753/4, son of John Camplin of Bristol, gentleman; matriculated Merton College, Oxford, on 8th April 1772, aged 18; graduated B.A. in 1775.¹³⁶
- Received letters dimissory for the status of deacon on 18th May 1776 and was ordained deacon on 2nd June 1776 at Christ Church, Oxford, by Robert Lowth, Bishop of Oxford, under Thomas Newton, Bishop of Bristol; the record notes 'LD to bishop of Oxford'.¹³⁷
- Ordained priest by Charles Moss, Bishop of Bath & Wells, under Thomas Newton, Bishop of Bristol, on 1st June 1778; the record notes 'LD to bishop of Bath & Wells'.¹³⁸
- Subscribed on ordination to the priesthood at Chapel in Palace at Wells under Charles Moss, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 18th July 1778.¹³⁹
- Instituted vicar on 2.3.90 at 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed' on 2nd March 1790.¹⁴⁰
- Died by 3rd June 1794 in post as vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed'.¹⁴¹

Thomas Street (fl.1790)

- Born 1763/4, son of William Foster of St Michael's, Bath, gentleman; matriculated Queen's College, Oxford, on 24th May 1784, aged 18; graduated B.A. in 1788; curate of Widcombe, Somerset; died 1830.¹⁴²
- Entitled to curacy of North Wraxhall and ordained deacon at Mongewell Church, Oxford, by Shute Barrington, Bishop of Salisbury, on 7th June 1789.¹⁴³
- Entitled to curacy, and licensed as curate with 'subscription on ordination' status of priest at Bathampton and Bathford in 1790 by Charles Moss, Bishop of Bath & Wells.¹⁴⁴

¹³⁴ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register).

¹³⁵ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register); BRO, EP/A/1/2 (Act Book 1782-1810) (Episcopal Act Book). <http://www.thosebefore.com/g0/p745.htm#i745>; cf. *A Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

¹³⁶ Vol 1, p.215

¹³⁷ BRO Ep/A/1/1; ORO, ODP, b. 21 (Episcopal Register 1737-1802) (Episcopal Register).

¹³⁸ BRO Ep/A/1/1.

¹³⁹ SRO, BD/D/BS/12 (Subscription Book 1776-88) (Subscription Book).

¹⁴⁰ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹⁴¹ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register).

¹⁴² Foster.

¹⁴³ W&SRO, D1/2/28 (Episcopal Register).

¹⁴⁴ SRO, DB/D/BS/13 (Subscription Book).

- Licensed as stipendiary curate / assistant curate at St James' Church, Bath, on 28th April 1817; the record notes 'Office: assistant Stipendiary Curate. Seventy five Pounds'.¹⁴⁵
- Licensed as curate at Widcombe under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 27th March 1818.¹⁴⁶

1794-1816: John Chapman, D.D.

- Born 1742/3, son of John Chapman of Bath, Somerset, gentleman; matriculated Christ Church, Oxford, on 27th April 1761, aged 18; graduated B.A. in 1765; took M.A. 1768 and B.D. & D.D. in 1791.¹⁴⁷
- Ordained deacon at Chapel Royal, St James, London by Richard Terrick, Bishop of London, on 3rd March 1765.¹⁴⁸
- Ordained priest at St Mary the Virgin, Oxford, by John Hume, Bishop of Oxford, on 22nd June 1766.¹⁴⁹
- Instituted vicar of Weston on 5th October 1767.¹⁵⁰
- Licensed curate at St Michael's Church / Octagon Chapel, Bath, under Charles Moss, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 1st January 1777; the record notes 'Office: "the Sacred Offices of reading the Common Prayer Preaching & Administering the Sacrament of the Lords Supper..."'.¹⁵¹
- Instituted canon of the first prebend at Bristol Cathedral under Christopher Wilson, Bishop of Bristol, on 18th May 1791; the record notes 'admitted and instituted. Office - Prebend or Canonry'.¹⁵²
- Instituted Master of the Ancient Hospital of St John the Baptist, Bath.¹⁵³
- Received dispensation to be vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed' with a 'living value about £100' from John Moore, Archbishop of Canterbury, on 31st May 1794.¹⁵⁴
- Instituted vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton Annexed' on 3rd June 1794.¹⁵⁵
- Resigned as vicar of Weston Juxta Bath on 23rd July 1808.¹⁵⁶

¹⁴⁵ SRO, D/D/Bc1 (Curates licences 1813-17) (Bound Curates' Licences); SRO, BD/D/BS/15 (Subscription Book).

¹⁴⁶ SRO, BD/D/BS/15 (Subscription Book).

¹⁴⁷ Vol 1, p.239.

¹⁴⁸ Guildhall Library 9548 (Episcopal Act Book).

¹⁴⁹ ORO, ODP, b. 21 (Episcopal Register 1737-1802) (Episcopal Register).

¹⁵⁰ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 28 (Institution Book): Patron: crown (type), pleno jure (role), King George III (name).

¹⁵¹ SRO, BD/D/BS/12 (Subscription Book 1776-88) (Subscription Book).

¹⁵² BRO, EP/A/1/2 (Act Book 1782-1810) (Episcopal Act Book): Patron: crown (type) and own right (role) King George III (name).

¹⁵³ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: lay corporation (type), own right (role) and Bath, Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens (name).

¹⁵⁴ LPL, VB 1/12 (Act Book), p.317.

¹⁵⁵ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 32 (Moss Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (surname).

¹⁵⁶ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 33 (Beadon Register) (Episcopal Register).

- Died in post as prebendary, Master of the Ancient Hospital of St John the Baptist and vicar of Bathford & Bathampton by 5th June 1816.¹⁵⁷

John Symons (fl.1809)

- Born 1784/5, son of John Symons of Walcot, Bath, armiger; matriculated Trinity College, Oxford, aged 16; graduated B.A. in 1806; took M.A. in 1814.
- Ordained deacon at Exeter Cathedral on 28th August 1808 by George Pelham, Bishop of Exeter.¹⁵⁸
- Subscribed on ordination as priest at Chapel in Palace by Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 20th September 1809.¹⁵⁹
- Licensed as curate of Bathford on 21st September 1809.¹⁶⁰
- Licensed as curate of St Feock, Cornwall, on 24th September 1810; record notes 'stipend: £40 a year'.¹⁶¹
- Instituted vicar of Wilcot, Wiltshire, on 14th August 1823.¹⁶²

John Julius Kerie, M.A. (fl.1810)

- Born in 1784/5, son of Jedediah Kerie of the Isle of St Christopher, West Indies, armiger; matriculated University College, Oxford, on 18th October 1806, aged 21; graduated B.A. in 1810; took M.A. in 1821.
- Ordained deacon at the Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Exeter Palace, under George Pelham, Bishop of Exeter, on 21st December 1809.¹⁶³
- Subscribed on ordination as priest in Wells Cathedral under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 20th September 1810.¹⁶⁴
- Licensed curate of Bath Hampton and Bathford on 21st September 1810.¹⁶⁵
- Died in Bideford, Devonshire, in 1857.

Charles Crook, M.A. (fl.1810)

- Born in 1777/8, son of Charles Crook of Bath, gentleman; matriculated Oriel College, Oxford, on 25th January 1806, aged 18; graduated B.A. in 1809; took M.A. in 1812.
- Subscribed on ordination as deacon at Wells Cathedral under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 29th November 1810.¹⁶⁶

¹⁵⁷ BRO, EP/A/1/13 (Act book 1810-36) (Act Book); SRO, D/D/B/Reg 33 (Beadon Register) (Episcopal Register; His death as vicar is only registered on 16th September 1816!

¹⁵⁸ Devon RO, Chanter 715 (Ordination Register).

¹⁵⁹ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶⁰ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶¹ Devon RO, Chanter 88 (License).

¹⁶² W&SRO D/1/2/31 (Episcopal Register): Patron: lay (type), own right (role), spinster (title), Susanna Wroughton (name).

¹⁶³ Devon RO, Chanter 715 (Ordination Register).

¹⁶⁴ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶⁵ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

- Licensed curate of Bath Hampton and Bath Fordd on 30th November 1810.¹⁶⁷
- Subscribed on ordination as priests at Chapel in Palace, Wells, under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 7th December 1811.¹⁶⁸
- Instituted rector of St Peter & St Paul in Bath with the Chapel on 4th October 1815.¹⁶⁹
- Appointed royal chaplain ('chaplain in ordinary') to George, Prince of Wales, on 3rd January 1818.¹⁷⁰
- Instituted to the prebend of Combe XIII at Wells Cathedral by George Henry Law, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 6th October 1832.¹⁷¹

Thomas Jacob John Hale, D.D. (fl.1813)

- Born 1789/90, son of Thomas Hale of Batheaston, Somerset, gentleman; matriculated Queen's College, Oxford, on 16th May 1808; graduated B.A. in 1812; took M.A. in 1812, B.D. & D.D. in 1826.¹⁷²
- Subscribed on ordination as priest at the Chapel in Palace, Wells, under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 12th June 1813.¹⁷³
- Licensed curate of Bathford & Hampton on 13th June 1813.¹⁷⁴
- Licensed minister / stipendiary curate of All Saints' Chapel, Walcot; the record notes 'Office: Stipendiary Curate and Officiating Minister in All Saints Chapel, Walcot. Sixth pounds (which is secured and payable to the Officiating Minister of the said Chapel by the Proprietors thereof) whilst you shall continue to perform the Duties required of you as Officiating Minister of said Chapel'.¹⁷⁵
- Chaplain at Versailles, St Germain en Laye, and to the British Embassy in Paris in 1851.¹⁷⁶
- Died 1857.¹⁷⁷

John Fletcher M.A. (fl.1814)

- Appointed Stipendiary Curate at Bathford and Bathampton on 21st December 1814; the record notes 'Eighty Pounds and allot the Ho[use] of Res[idence] belonging to the

¹⁶⁶ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶⁷ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶⁸ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁶⁹ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 33 (Beadon Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: lay corporation (type), own right (role), Bath, Mayor, Aldermen & Citizens of (name).

¹⁷⁰ LPL, FV/I/XVIII (Register of noblemen's chaplains)

¹⁷¹ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 34 (Law's Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: episcopal (type), own right (role), George Henry Law, Bishop of Bath & Wells (name).

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¹⁷³ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁷⁴ SRO, BD/D/BS/ 14 (Subscription Book).

¹⁷⁵ SRO, BD/D/BS/15 (Subscription Book); SRO, D/D/Bc1 (Curates licences, 1813-17) (Bound Curates' Licenses).

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Benefice of Bathford and Bathampton annexed, during the Non residence of the Incumbent therein, and require you to reside... during such Non residence'.¹⁷⁸

1816-1824: Richard Bedford, M.A.

- Baptised on 9th September 1767, son of Richard Bedford of Crediton, Devonshire, pleb[ian]; matriculated Queen's College, Oxford, on 1st June 1786, aged 18; had taken M.A. by 1804.¹⁷⁹
- Ordained deacon and licenced curate for Middleton Scriven, Shropshire, at Hereford Cathedral under John Butler, Bishop of Hereford, on 19th June 1791; record notes 'stipend £30'.¹⁸⁰
- Ordained priest and licenced curate for Witheridge, Devonshire, at Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Exeter Palace, under William Butler, Bishop of Exeter, on 1st January 1793; record notes 'Stipend: £31.10s. 0d a Year payable Quarterly Clause of residence'.¹⁸¹
- Appointed curate of St Michael's Church, Bristol on 28th August 1804; record notes 'Stipend: £31 10s'.¹⁸²
- Instituted vicar of Marden, Wiltshire on 2nd January 1813.¹⁸³
- Resigned as vicar of Marden, Wiltshire on 4th October 1816.¹⁸⁴
- Instituted vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton annexed' on 16th September 1816.¹⁸⁵
- Resigned as vicar of 'Bathford with the Vicarage of Bathampton annexed' under Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 29th January 1824.¹⁸⁶
- Licensed chaplain of St Augustine's Church, Bristol / New Chapel on 14th January 1824.¹⁸⁷
- A 'Richard Gordon Bedford' instituted as vicar of St George's Church, Brandon Hill, on 15th December 1832.¹⁸⁸
- A 'Richard Gordon Bedford' re-entered 12th June, 1833, graduated B.A. 17 October 1833; took M.A. on 10th June, 1835.¹⁸⁹

¹⁷⁸ SRO, D/D/Bc1 (Curates licences 1813-17) (Bound Curates' Licences); SRO, BD/D/BS/15 (Subscription Book).

¹⁷⁹ Devon RO, Chanter 714 (Ordination Register); Alumni Vol 1, p87; Foster.

¹⁸⁰ HCRO, CA19/1 (Episcopal Register).

¹⁸¹ Devon RO, Chanter 714 (Ordination Register).

¹⁸² BR0, EP/A/10/1/11 (Sub Book 1803-36) (Subscription Book).

¹⁸³ W&SRO, D/1/2/30 (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type); true patron (role); Dean & Chapter, Bristol Cathedral (name).

¹⁸⁴ W&SRO, D/1/2/30 (Episcopal Register).

¹⁸⁵ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 33 (Beadon Register) (Episcopal Register): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), own right (role), Bristol Dean and Chapter (name).

¹⁸⁶ SRO, D/D/B/Reg 33 (Beadon Register) (Episcopal Register).

¹⁸⁷ BRO, EP/A/1/13 (Act book 1810-36) (Act Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type); Luke Heslop (name); DD Vicar of St Augustine's Church, Bristol (resid. office).

¹⁸⁸ BRO, EP/A/1/13 (Act book 1810-36) (Act Book): Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Bristol (name).

¹⁸⁹ Foster.

George Downing Bowles, M.A. (fl.1820)

- Born 1778/9. Son of Edward Bowles of Olveston, Gloucestershire, cleric; matriculated St Edmund's Hall, Oxford, on 9th May 1807, aged 18; graduated B.A. from St Mary's Hall in 1812; took M.A. in 1813.¹⁹⁰
- Ordained deacon at the Cathedral Church of Lincoln by George Pretymen Tomline, Bishop of Lincoln, on 27th September 1812.¹⁹¹
- Ordained priest by George Isaac Huntingford, Bishop of Gloucester, on 12th March 1815; the record notes 'private ordination held [in the] Chapel of St Mary, Winchester College'.¹⁹²
- Licensed curate of Quanton, Buckinghamshire, on 27th September 1812; record notes 'stipend: £90'.¹⁹³
- Licensed curate of Bitton on 24th May 1815; record notes 'pay to be £130 p.a. paid quarterly'.¹⁹⁴
- Licensed curate of Upton upon Severn on 24th October 1816.¹⁹⁵
- Licensed curate of Bathford with Bathampton on 22nd March 1820.¹⁹⁶
- Licensed curate of Fawley with Exbury on 14th July 1826; record notes 'stipend: £100'.¹⁹⁷
- Visited as curate of Exbury Chapel on 12th August 1829.¹⁹⁸

1824-1855: James Carter, M.A.

- Born 1780/1, son of Oliver Carter of Dublin, gentleman; matriculated St Alban's Hall, Oxford, on 17th November 1806, aged 25; took 'SCL' by 1807.¹⁹⁹
- Subscribed on ordination as deacon at Wells Cathedral by Richard Beadon, Bishop of Bath & Wells, on 3rd October 1807.²⁰⁰
- Licensed curate of Clevedon on 3rd October 1807.²⁰¹
- Licensed and licenced perpetual curate in Churchdown, Gloucestershire, on 10th September 1814.²⁰²
- Appointed perpetual curate of St Augustine's Chapel, Bristol, on 3rd October 1823.²⁰³
- Instituted vicar of Bathford and Bathampton on 29th January 1824.²⁰⁴

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¹⁹¹ LA Reg. XL (Act Book).

¹⁹² GRO, GDR 334A.

¹⁹³ LA Reg. XL (Act Book).

¹⁹⁴ GRO, GDR 334B; GRO, GDR 333; GRO, GDR 341.

¹⁹⁵ WRO, B716.051-BA2697 parcel 3 (Subscription Book 1).

¹⁹⁶ SRO, BD/D/BS/15 (Subscription Book).

¹⁹⁷ HRO, 21 M65 A2/5 (Act Book).

¹⁹⁸ HRO, 21 M65 B1/154 (Sumner Exhibition Book).

¹⁹⁹ Foster, *Alumni* Vol 1, p.224

²⁰⁰ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

²⁰¹ SRO, BD/D/BS/14 (Subscription Book).

²⁰² Foster, *Index Ecclesiasticus* (Oxford: Parker & Co., 1890), p.31; GRO, GDR 334B; PRO, E331/Gloucester/45 (Returns to First Fruits Office); GRO, GDR 333: Patron: Ecclesiastical Corporation (type), nominator (role), Bristol, Dean and Chapter (name).

²⁰³ Foster, *Index Ecclesiasticus* (Oxford: Parker & Co., 1890), p.31.

- Ceased being perpetual curate of Churchdown by 'cession' on 6th July 1826.²⁰⁵
- Died in post as vicar of Bathford and Bathampton in October 1854.

Benjamin Weaver, M.A.: 1843-4

- Born 29th November 1801, youngest son of William Weaver of Chard, Somersetshire
- Admitted pensioner Sidney Sussex College 13th January 1821
Educated at Blundell's School Tiverton, Devonshire, Dr – Richards
- Matriculated in January 1821, Lent Term
- Took BA in 1825
- Took MA in 1828
- Served as curate of Winterbourne-Monkton, Wiltshire from 1841 to 1842
- Served as curate of Bathampton, Somersetshire, (no cure) from 1843 to 1844
- Served as curate of North Bradley, Wiltshire, from 1845 to 1850
- Disappears from *Clergy List* 1868²⁰⁶

1855-1856: Robert Hancock, B.D.

- Born c.1820
- Admitted sizar to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, on 30th March 1838
- Gained B.D. as a 'ten year man'
- Ordained deacon in York in 1840
- Ordained priest in 1841
- Potentially served as Head Master of Bristol Diocesan School
- Presented to Bathampton & Bathford on 17th January 1855.
- Served as vicar until the division, then served as vicar of Bathford until 1870
- Died 19th January 1870 at Bathford²⁰⁷

1856-1866: Edward Duncan Rhodes, B.D.

- Born 13th October 1797, the fourth son of Rev. George Rhodes, of Exeter, at Colyton, Devonshire. Brother of George A. Rhodes (1791)
- Educated at Blundell's School, Tiverton under Mr Richards
- Admitted pensioner to Sidney Sussex College on 4th July 1815, matriculated in October(?) 1815
- Graduated B.A. from Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, as 1st Sen. Opt. in 1819
- Served as President of the Cambridge Union Society in 1820.
- Appointed Fellow of Sidney Sussex College in 1821

²⁰⁴ Foster, *Index Ecclesiasticus* (Oxford: Parker & Co., 1890), p.31.

²⁰⁵ GRO, GDR 351; PRO, E331/Gloucester/48 (Returns to First Fruits Office).

²⁰⁶ See *Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

²⁰⁷ *Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

- Took M.A. in 1822
- Took B.D. in 1829/30
- Ordained Deacon in 1821 and Priest in 1822 or 1832 at Exeter Cathedral.²⁰⁸
- Appointed to sinecure as Rector of Ermington, Devonshire, and curate of West Teignmouth in the Diocese of Exeter (presumably) in 1822 or 1833; Patron: J.B. Cholwick Esq.²⁰⁹
- Came to Bath c.1841 with his sister, Susan Loveday Rhodes
- Appointed to the perpetual curacy of Kensington in 1842, which he held for a short while.
- Move to Hampton Villa (now Avonstone) by 1845.
- Delivered lectures at Kensington Church, Bath, in Lent 1845, which were published by Binns & Goodwin.²¹⁰
- Appointed vicar of Bathampton on 1st October 1856; Patron: Dean & Chapter of Bristol; Tithe: Imp. 120l, Vicar 130l; Vicar's Gross Income 480l and Ho; Pop. 356.²¹¹
- Delivered a lecture entitled 'A National Church Scriptural and Serviceable to Religion' in Bath Guildhall on 10th January 1860 on behalf of the Bath Church Defence Association.
- Appointed to the Prebend of Wedmore II at Wells Cathedral in April 1861.
- Delivered a lecture entitled 'The Relation of Scripture to Modern Science' to the Church of England Young Men's Society on Monday 22nd February 1864.
- Died in post as sinecure rector of Ermington and vicar of Bathampton – as well as President of the Church of England Young Men's Society, Secretary of the Church Missionary Society and President of the Bath School of Art – 18th September 1866.
- Library sold by Sotheby's from 10th until 14th May 1867.

James Edward De Visme, B.A.: 1851-1858

- Born 1791 to James De Visme of Newent, Gloucestershire; the De Vismes (or De Vismes) descend from the eldest branch of the sovereign house of Ponthieu, which was of the blood-royal of France and were French Protestant exiles
- Educated at Gloucester School, Gloucestershire, under Mr Skillern
- Admitted as a pensioner to Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, on 1st January 1810, and matriculated in October 1810
- Appointed a Scholar in 1810 to 1818
- Graduated B.A. in 1815
- Ordained priest at Gloucester in 1815
- Served as curate of St John's Chapel, Bath, from 1841 to 1851
- Served as curate of Bathampton, from 1851 to 1858
- Married Sophia Staines, daughter of Sir W. Staines, and had issue

²⁰⁸ Crockfords 1860, p.516

²⁰⁹ Crockfords 1860; also notes , Tithe: App. 6l, Imp. 399l 8s, V. 418l 8s, Sencure R. 384; 14s; R's Gross Inc. 510l; Pop. 765)

²¹⁰ Crockfords 1860, p.516

²¹¹ Crockfords 1860, p.516

- Died at Bath on 12th November 1859

Theophilus Barton Rowe, M.A.: 1859-1861

- Born in Croydon, Surrey, on 25th January 1833, as the eldest son of Samuel Rowe, Wesleyan Minister of Croydon, and Mary Anne; brother of Frederick J. Rowe (1864)
- Admitted sizar of St John's College, Cambridge, on 3rd July 1852
- Educated at the School for the Sons of Wesleyan Ministers, Woodhouse Grove, near Leeds, for six years
- Educated then as a King's Scholar at Durham Cathedral School under the Rev. Dr Edward Elder, M.A. (later Head Master of Charterhouse School)
- Matriculated as sizar at St John's College, Cambridge, in October 1852, later 'proper sizar'
- Appointed Scholar in 1855
- Graduated B.A. in 1856 as 31st Wrangler, as 3rd in Class I of the Classical Tripos and winning 2nd Chancellor's Medal
- Took M.A. in 1859
- Served as Fellow in 1858 to 1861, but did not reside
- Ordained deacon by Lord Auckland, Bishop of Bath and Wells in 1859
- Ordained priest at Canterbury by Archbishop Tait in 1879
- Served as curate of Bathampton from 1859 to 1861
- Married Eliza Nicholls Buckle, eldest daughter of J. V. Buckle of Sandgate, Australia, on 12th June 1861
- Served as Vice-Principal of Grosvenor College School, Bath, in 1861
- Served as Assistant Master and House Master at Uppingham School, Rutland, from 1861 to 1875
- Served as Headmaster of Tonbridge School, Kent, from 1875 to 1890
- Published *A Sixth Form Greek Syntax* (1889) and *Bacon's Essays Modernised*
- Retired to Bournemouth, Hampshire
- Died 13th January 1905²¹²

1866-1896: Henry Girdlestone, B.A.

- Born 13th October 1833 to Charles Girdlestone, of Wadham College, Oxford, and rector of Kingswinfold, Staffordshire
- Educated at Marlborough School, Wiltshire, from 1843 to 1851, and at Rossall School, Lancashire, from 1851 to 1853
- Admitted pensioner at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, on 9th June 1853
- Matriculated in October 1853
- Graduated B.A. in 1857

²¹² *A Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>; *The History of Tonbridge School* by Septimus Rivington (1898), Chapter 20.

- Ordained deacon in 1856 and priest in 1857 by John Lonsdale, Bishop of Lichfield.
- Curate of Kingswinford, Staffordshire, from 1856 to 1859
- Curate of Penkridge, Staffordshire, from 1859 to 1865²¹³
- Married Eliza Jane Webb in 1862, having three sons and two daughters.
- Curate of Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, from 1865 to 1866
- From 1866 until 1896, vicar of Bathampton with 410 parishioners and a stipend of £150 p.a.²¹⁴
- Retired to Weymouth in 1896.
- Accepted the living as rector of Langton Herring, Dorsetshire, from 1898 to 1903.
- Died in Bournemouth on 20th March 1904, aged 70, and buried on 23rd March 1904 in Bathampton²¹⁵

1896-1908: Launcelot John Fish, M.A.

- Born 2nd August 1861 in Kilsby, Northamptonshire, to John Dent Fish, clerk, of Grimsbury, Oxfordshire
- Educated at a boarding school in Leamington, then Harrow School.
- Admitted as a pensioner at Trinity College, Cambridge, and matriculated there in October 1880
- Graduated B.A. in 1883/4; took M.A. in 1887/8.
- Ordained deacon in Bath and Wells in 1887.
- Served as curate at Bathampton in 1887-8.
- Ordained priest in 1888.
- Served as curate at St Stephen's, Lansdown, in 1888/9-1890.
- Served as vicar of Little Brickhill, Buckinghamshire, at 1891 census.
- Served as assistant chaplain at Christ Church, Cannes, for health reasons, in 1890-1893.
- Married Mary Girdlestone in Bath in June 1891.
- Served again as curate of Bathampton (population 410) in 1894-1896.
- Served as vicar of Bathampton, living worth £112 p.a., in 1896-1907.²¹⁶
- Appointed prebendary in 1906.
- Served as chaplain at St Andrew's, Biarritz, in 1907-1909.
- Served as vicar of St Stephen's & Archdeacon of Bath in 1909-1924.
- Died at 12 Lansdown Place, Bath, on 29th September 1924, leaving an estate of £19,572 18s 4d.²¹⁷

1908: Stanley Forster Brown, M.A.

²¹³ Crockfords, 1865, p.244

²¹⁴ <https://slowdusk.magd.ox.ac.uk/people/morrell-andrew-girdlestone/>

²¹⁵ *A Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

²¹⁶ 1901 census: vicar of St Nicholas' with a cook, housemaid, parlour maid and kitchen maid

²¹⁷ <https://www.fishfamily.co.uk/p/venerable-lancelot-john-fish.html>; *A Cambridge Alumni Database*, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

1908-1912: John George, M.A.

- Born on 26th September 1843 to John George, draper of Derby, and Elizabeth George
- Educated at Repton School, Derbyshire
- Admitted as pensioner at St John's College, Cambridge, on 23rd May 1862
- Matriculated in October 1862
- Graduated B.A. in 1866 in the Mathematics Tripos, and took Theology Exhibition in 1867
- Took M.A. in 1869
- Ordained deacon at Gloucester in 1867
- Ordained priest in 1868
- Served as curate of St Michael's Church, Bristol from 1867 to 1873
- Served as vicar of Ullenhall, Warwickshire, from 1873 to 1878
- Served as vicar of St John-the-Evangelist, Hollington, Staffordshire, from 1878 to 1886
- Served as curate of St Michael's Church, Bristol again from 1886 to 1893
- Served as curate-in-charge of St John's Church, Cherry Hinton, Cambridgeshire, from 1893 to 1897
- Served as vicar of Cherry Hinton, Cambridgeshire, from 1897 to 1903
- Served as vicar of Bathampton, Somerset, from 1908 to 1912
- Served as vicar of Wendy with Shingay, Cambridgeshire, from 1913 to 1916
- Retired to St Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex
- Died on 23rd January 1929 at St Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex²¹⁸

Eric John George, M.A.: 1909-1912

- Born on 7th October 1878, son of John George, vicar of St John's Church, Cherry Hinton, Cambridgeshire, at Ullenhall, Warwickshire
- Educated at Clifton College, Bristol
- Admitted pensioner at Trinity College, Cambridge, on 25th June 1898
- Graduated B.A. in the Mathematical Tripos (First?) in 1901, then in Theology (First?) in 1903
- Took M.A. in 1905
- Ordained deacon at Bristol in 1907
- Ordained priest at Bath and Wells in 1911
- Served as curate of St Paul's Church, Bedminster from 1907 to 1909
- Served as curate to his father at Bathampton from 1909 to 1912
- Served as curate to his father at Wendy, Cambridgeshire, from 1913 to 1916
- Received permission to officiate in the Diocese of Ely
- Received permission to officiate in the Diocese of St Asaph, 1919-22
- Served as curate of Quarry Bank, Staffordshire, from 1925 to 1926

²¹⁸ A Cambridge Alumni Database, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

- Served as curate of St John-the-Evangelist, Hollington, from 1926 to 1929
- Served as perpetual curate of Garway, Herefordshire, from 1929 to 1937
- Served as vicar of Frampton, Dorsetshire, from 1937 to 1938
- Retired to Weston-super-Mare
- Died 2nd February 1952²¹⁹

1912-1917: Henry Gibbon, M.A.

1917-1927: Frederick George Herbert Henry Eugene White, M.A.

- Born 1854/5 in Meare, Somersetshire, eldest son of Rev. Frederick William White (1839), vicar of Crowle, Lincolnshire
- Admitted pensioner of Pembroke College, Cambridge, on 5th October 1876
- Matriculated 1876 in October
- Appointed Scholar in 1878
- Graduated B.A. in 1880
- Tyrwhitt (Hebrew)
- Appointed Scholar 1881
- Took M.A. in 1884
- Ordained deacon in 1881 at Exeter
- Ordained priest in 1882
- Served as curate of North Molton, Devonshire, in 1881 to 1884
- Appointed as Fellow of St Augustine's College, Canterbury, Kent, from 1884 to 1885
- Served Chaplain in the Royal Navy: 1887-1901:
 - H.M.S. *Devastation* 1887;
 - H.M.S. *Monarch* 1887-90;
 - H.M.S. *Northumberland* and H.M.S. *Dreadnought* 1891-4;
 - H.M.S. *Grafton* 1894-5;
 - H.M.S. *Royal Oak* 1895-6;
 - H.M.S. *Ganges* 1896-7;
 - H.M.S. *Thunderer* 1897-1900;
 - H.M.S. *Vulcan* 1900-1.
- Served as vicar of Crowle, Lincolnshire, from 1901 to 1908
- Served as vicar of Tovil, Kent, from 1908 to 1913
- Served as rector of Uley, Gloucestershire, with Owlpen, Gloucestershire, from 1913 to 1917
- Served as vicar of Bathampton, Somersetshire, from 1917 to 1927
- Served as rector of Westbere, Kent, from 1927 to 1930
- Died 10th November 1930 and buried at Leeds, Kent²²⁰

²¹⁹ A Cambridge Alumni Database, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

²²⁰ A Cambridge Alumni Database, <https://venn.lib.cam.ac.uk/>

1927-1934: Richard David Williams, B.A.

- Born near Swansea in 1885.
- Graduated B.A. from St David's College, Lampeter
- Served as curate at St Michael's Church, Bishopstone, 1909-1927
- Died after a failed operation on his nose, following a blow in Christmas.

1934-1938: Clyde William Jacob, M.A.

Graduated B.A. from Sydney Sussex College, Cambridge; took M.A.

Ordained in 1931

Served as curate at Formby in 1930-1.

Served as curate at Nailsworth in 1931-2.

Served as vicar of Kempsford with Whelford, Gloucestershire, in 1932-1934.

Served as rector of Bathampton in 1934-1938; value of living £300.

1938-1946: John Hugh Homer Green, M.A.

1946-1960: Edward Claud Childs, B.D.

1960-1966: Edgar Sydney Landen, B.A.

- Born on 24th September 1923
- Organist at St Laurence's Church, Ludlow (1948-1951).²²¹
- Died 26th August 2013.²²²

1966-1981: Gordon Charles Craig Spencer

- Born 1913/4
- Served as priest-in-charge at Eastwood Parish Church before moving to West Hallam.
- Served as Rural Dean of Ilkeston and vicar of West Hallam and Mapperley from 19th February 1946 to 1966. He was inducted by the Archdeacon of Derby at St. Wilfrid's on 22nd March 1946.
- Served as rector of Bathampton from 1966 to 1981
- In 1970, his daughter married Sir Graham Boyce, later Ambassador to Egypt
- Served as non-stipendiary ministry at Ditteridge, then Swainswick, from 1981.
- Died on 3rd April 2007 aged 93 years, with a funeral at Bathampton on 16th April 2007.²²³

²²¹ https://kids.kiddle.co/St_Laurence%27s_Church,_Ludlow

²²² <https://www.kenphillips.org.uk/FamHistData2-o/p494.htm>

²²³ http://www.mapperleyhistory.com/History_Pages/History-HC-1A.html

1981-1988: Michael Gordon William Hayes, PhD

- MA, PhD

1988-1996: Oliver James Drummond Bayley, M.A.

- Born November 1949
- Served as Rector of Bathampton & Claverton after the parishes were merged into a single benefice.

1996-2014: Paul Burden, M.A.

- Born June 1962
- Matriculated at ? College, Cambridge; graduated B.?. in mechanical and fluid engineering; took M.A.
- Worked as a design engineer in the design and construction of civil nuclear power stations.
- Matriculated at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford; graduated B.A. in theology; took M.A.
- Ordained in 1992.
- Served as curate at St Andrew's, St Peter's & Christ Church, Clevedon, under Rev. Michael Hayes.
- Served as Rector of Bathampton & Claverton from 1996-2014, being the first rector appointed to both parishes as a joint benefice.
- Completed an MTh in Preaching through the College of Preachers and the University of Wales in 2005.
- Served as Bath Archdeaconry Warden of Readers from 2006 until 2011.
- Serving as teacher for those studying for licensed lay and ordained ministries at Sarum College since 2014, promoted to Academic Dean in 2025.

2015-present: Jonathan 'Jonty' Paul Frith, M.A.

- Studied for an MA (Cantab). in engineering & theology at Jesus College, Cambridge in 1990-1994
- Served as Chaplain of Cranleigh School from September 2000 to August 2004
- Served as Associate Vicar at All Saints' Church, Crowborough from September 2004 to April 2015
- Serving as Rector of St Nicholas' Church, Bathampton, and St Mary's Church, Claverton, from May 2015.