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Other Useful Guides
Manuscripts
Manuscripts on Microfilm
Medieval manuscripts in Irish and European institutions (RIA, NLI, Aberystwyth, Bibliothèque Nationale, Bayerische Staatsbibliothek, etc): mainly un-catalogued.
Finding aid available Location: Range 28 Shelf 7. Three black binders in alphabetical order according to PLACE and then location of mss.
Example: Dublin: Royal Irish Academy

Manuscripts on microfilm (UCC Main Series): Location: Microform Room: Cabinets 2 – 4, 21, 29, 38.

Annals & Manuscripts in Facsimile
Annals of Inisfallen
It is a chronicle of medieval history in Ireland. There are over 2500 entries from the year AD 433 to 1450. It is believed that it was written between the 12th and 15th centuries. It is written in Latin and Irish. The Annals contain chronological entries and a short narrative of the history of Pre-Christian Ireland (the pre-Patrician section). It was at least partially written on the island of Inisfallen near Killarney. It is now housed in Oxford. Oxford, Bodleian L, Rawlinson B 503; vellum; s. xi ex (AD 1092).


Annals of Ulster
It is a chronicle of medieval Ireland. There are entries from the year AD 431 to 1504. It was compiled from the late 15th century to the mid-16th century. It is written in Irish and Latin. It was compiled at Lough Erne in Ulster. It is an important sources for the authors of the Annals of the Four Masters. Trinity College Dublin houses the original manuscript. Dublin, Trinity College Library, MS 1282 (olim H. 1. 8).


Evangeliorum quattuor Codex Lindisfarnensis / Musei / Britanniæ Codex Cottonianus Nero D. IV permissione Musei Britanniæ totius codicis similitudo expressa; Prolegomenis auxerunt T.D. Kendrick [et al.]. Also known as The Book of Lindisfarne. Oltun et Lausanna Helvetiae: Urs Graf, 1956-60. TRF 226 LIND Location: Range 27

Gwynn, John, ed. The Book of Armagh. Dublin: Royal Irish Academy, 1913. TRF 270.2 ARMA and TF ARMA Location: Range 27


Domesday Book: or, The Great Survey of England of William the Conqueror, A.D. MLXXXVI: Facsimile of the part relating to ... Southampton: Ordnance Survey Office, 1863. TR 333.3 DOME Location: Range 7


Various Books of Hours for example: Longnon, Jean et al, eds. Les Très riches heures du Duc de Berry, Musée Condé, Chantilly. London: Thames & Hudson, 1969. TRF 745.6 BERR Location: Range 30

Early English Manuscripts in Facsimile series is also available. TRF 091 EARL Location: Range 30

Author Search on Library Catalogue for ‘Irish Manuscripts Commission’

Original Gaelic Irish Manuscripts
Location: Strong Room. Finding aid available at Special Collections Desk. Irish manuscripts themselves uncatalogued.


Catalogues for Manuscripts
TR 011.3 or TR 011.4 Location: Range 5
TRF 011.3 or TRF 011.4 Location: Range 10

Means to Locate Manuscripts
Example: **What happens if I have the Reference only (no place), e.g. Add Ms 12F?**

If known to be Irish, try Hayes, Richard J., *Manuscript Sources for the History of Irish Civilisation* [very good indexing!]


Also online at *Sources for the History of Irish Civilization*: [http://sources.nli.ie/](http://sources.nli.ie/)

It is an index and catalogue for sourcing manuscripts and articles published in English.

**Introduction to the Collections**


For information on how to navigate the chronicles in many of the sources cited below.


Introduction to the history and contents of many of the sources cited below.

**Sources & Reference Material in Reference Reading Room**

**Patristics**

*Patrologia Graeca* [Vols 1 – 162 with Indices] **TR270 PATR.G Location: Ranges 1 – 2**

The Greek fathers through 1439. The online version lacks the index. Greek and Latin on facing pages, unless the Greek version has been lost.

*Patrologia Latina* [Vols. 1 – 221] **TR 270 PATR.L Location: Range 2**

Includes writings of church fathers through Innocent III (1216 CE), as well as some historical texts. Notorious for the printing and editing errors though still useful for those texts not yet in the *Corpus Christianorum* series. Indexes in volumes 218-221 include: detailed contents for each volume, an author index, an index of editions, a biographical index with brief sketches, an index of works by title, by place, by time period, and indexes for types of documents and topics (chronologies, festivals, arithmetic, education, oratory, etc.).

*Patrologia Latina* – Supplementum [Vols 1 – 5] **TR270 PATR.L Location: Range 2**

A supplemental series, published 1958-74, offers some additions and corrections to Migne's texts, with a new index in v.5.

**Corpus Christianorum:**

In 1945 the Benedictine Abbey of Steenbrugge took the initiative of planning a venture similar to the *Patrologia Latina* but with the conviction that the editing of Patristic and Medieval Christian texts. This series is one of two modern efforts to produce critical editions of the patristic texts to replace those available in Migne. The *Series Latina* and *Series Graeca* treat the church fathers through the end of Antiquity;
the *Continuatio Mediaevalis* continues the texts through the Middle Ages; the Series Apocryphorum treats the apocryphal texts.

- **Series Latina** (CCSL) **TR264 CORP CCSL Location: Range 1**
  CCSL contains a critical edition of all the works of Christian Latin literature of the first eight centuries, and when completed will comprise 250 volumes. A complete revision and expansion of Migne, begun by the Benedictines of Steenbrugge. Texts date from Tertullian to Bede. Use the *Clavis Patrum Latinorum* to identify volumes.

- **Series Graeca** (CCSG) **TR264 CORP CCSG Location: Range 1**

- **Continuatio Medievalis** (CCCM) **TR264 CORP CCCM Location: Range 1**
  CCCM contains medieval texts from the eighth to the fifteenth centuries. Later works from Migne and elsewhere, up to the 12th century. Use the *Clavis Patrum Latinorum* to identify volumes.

- **Series Apocryphorum** (CCSA) **TR 264 CORP CCSA Location: Range 1**
  This contains the apocrypha of the New Testament. Each volume contains the critical text, a complete dossier on the apocrypha edited, with commentary and a translation into a modern language.

*Corpus scriptorum ecclesiasticorum Latino rum Series, Enarrationes in Psalms* [vol 93: Augustine, Bishop of Hippo] **TR 264 CSEL AUGU Location: Range 1**

The CSEL is intended to include the ecclesiastical authors who wrote in Latin from the late 2nd century until the death of Bede in 735. The texts are edited on the basis of all extant manuscripts and according to the principles of modern textual criticism and thus aim to provide a critical replacement for the corresponding volumes of the *Patrologia Latina*. The series goes to late antiquity. This is the other effort to update Migne.

*Clavis patrum latinorum*, Dekkers, Dam 1951 & 1995. **TR 264 CORP CPL Location: Range 1**

This is a key to writings appearing in collections and periodicals. Has four indexes: "Nominum et Operum," "Systematicus (subjects), "Hagiographicus" (saints) and "Initia" (first lines). Appendices include a very useful series of concordances showing the volumation of sets such as the PL, PG, BHL, etc. and their *Clavis* ("CPL ") entry.

*Sources Chretiennes* [Vols 1 - 510] **TR270 Location: Range 2**

Main has selected volumes, separately classed. It pairs critical editions of Latin, Greek and Syriac original texts with 20th century French translations.


*Library of the Fathers* [vols 1 - 113] **TR 281.1 LFHC Location: Range 3**

These are mostly 19th century translations with a few editions of original texts.

*Studia Patristica* **TR281 STUD Location: Range 3**

This is a peer-reviewed academic book series established in 1957 that covers the study of patristics. It is the official publication of the Oxford International Conference on Patristic Studies.

*MGH: Monumenta Germaniae Historica.* Munich: MGH, 1826-. **TR 943 MGH Location: Range 5.**

An excellent account is available in Knowles' *Great Historical Enterprises*. *MGH* collects narrative and other sources for German history to 1500. To some extent, excludes
church history and documents. In several series: Scriptores (SS), Leges (LL), Epistolae (Epp), Diplomata (DD), Antiquitates, etc. Selected volumes freely available online at: http://www.dmgh.de/.

**English Translations**

Ancient Christian Writers. v1- [in progress]. New York: Paulist Press, 1945-. TR 281.1 ANCI Location: Range 3


Still useful for its extensive indexes. Also available online as Early Church Fathers through the Christian Classics Ethereal Library at Calvin College: http://www.ccel.org/fathers.html.


**Early Irish Sources**

Scriptores Latini Hiberniae [Vols 1- 14] (green) TR274.15 SLH Location: Range 3

Irish Texts Society [Vols 1- 61] TR ITS 891.62 Location: Range 4

The Society issues annotated editions of texts in Irish with English translations and related commentaries.


Todd Lecture Series, Royal Irish Academy [Vols 1- 20] TR 891.62 TODD Location: Range 4

**Other Useful Material for Early Irish Sources**

Heist. WV. Vitae Sanctorum Hiberniae. (Saint of Ireland) Bruxelles: Société des Bollandistes, 1965. TR 274.15 HEIS Location: Range 7


This is an exact facsimile of the Louvain edition 1647, original in OPB f270.2 COLG Location: Closed Access. Must be Requested). It covers the lives and works of Patrick, Brigid and Colm Cille.

**Biblica**


Thompson, Newtown and Raymond Stock. Concordance to the Bible: (Douay version. St. Louis, Mo.; London: B. Herder Book Co., 1943. TR 220.3 THOM Location: Range 6


Vetus Latina : gemeinnützige Stiftung zur Förderung der Herausgabe einer vollständigen Sammlung aller erhaltenen Reste der altlateinischen Bibelübersetzungen aus Handschriften und Zitaten bei alten Schriftstellern Beuron : Stiftung Vetus Latina, 2001. TRP 220.4 VETU Location: Range 11 http://www.vetuslatina.org/ 'The Vetus Latina’ is the collective name given to the Biblical texts in Latin that were translated before St Jerome’s Vulgate. In the footnotes at the end of each page it shows which medieval scholar covered which text.

Hagiography
Acta sanctorum quotquot toto orbe coluntur ... Antwerpiæ: J. Meurisium, 1643-1932. TRF 270 ACTA Location: Range 10 Library has 56 vols. of this edition (complete to October, missing Nov. v.1, v.2 pt.1, pt.4 & 5).


Monographic Series by the Société des Bollandists: Subsidia Hagiographica. Run ‘Title search’ on Subsidia Hagiographica for all volumes.


A useful work, organized alphabetically by saint.

**Cartularies**
Cartularies are books (or rolls) into which charters and sometimes other documents from an institution's archive have been copied. Most medieval charters have survived in cartularies; instances of forgeries are numerous. Relevant fascicles are in *Typologie des sources du moyen âge occidental* TR 940.1 **TYPO** Location: Range 6
Consult Mullins *Texts & Calendars* for State Papers’ publications **TR 016.942 MULL** Location: Range C


**Abbreviations and Names**
The fundamental catalogue of the Catholic hierarchy from 1198 to 1605. It is more complete than Gams for the period it covers.

A catalogue of the Catholic hierarchy. It covers the period prior to 1198 that Eubel misses.

**Lexicon abbreviaturarum. Dizionario di abbreviature latine ed italiane**: usate nelle carte e codici specialmente del Medio-Evo, riprodotte con oltre 14000 segni incisi, con l'aggiunta di uno studio sulla brachigrafia medioevale, un prontuario di sigle epigrafiche, l'antica numerazione romana ed arabica ed i segni indicanti monete, pesi, misure, etc. Milano, Hoepli, 1967. **TR 413 CAPP** Location: Range 8
Milano: Hoepli, 1973. **TR 413 CAPP** Location: Range 8

Martin, Charles Trice, comp. *The Record Interpreter: A Collection of Abbreviations, Latin Words and Names Used in English Historical Manuscripts*
and Records. London: Reeves and Turner, 1892. TR 471 MART Location: Range 8
This provides lists of Latin and French abbreviations, Latin place, family, and Bishopric
names, and a glossary of Latin terms often found in documents.

BISLAM, Bibliotheca scriptorum Latinorum medii recentiorisque aevi = Repertory
of Medieval and Renaissance Latin authors. Firenze: SISMEL - Edizioni del
Galluzzo, 2003-2010. TR 016.870 BISL v.2.1 – 2.2 Location: Closed Access.
Must be requested.
Repertory of Medieval and Renaissance Latin authors.

Dictionaries and Atlases The dictionaries are best used from the start of research.
DACL, Dictionnaire d'archeologie Chretienne et de liturge, Paris 1924-56
Cabrol, Fernand TR 200.9 CABR Location: Range 6
Dictionnaire d'histoire et de géographie ecclésiastiques. Ed. Baudrillart, Alfred,
Range 7

DICT Location: Range 6

TR270 OXFO Location: Range 7
Good list of abbreviations for journals and standard works.

Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 1996. TR 938 OXFO Location:
Range 9
Kelly, JND. The Oxford Dictionary of Popes. Oxford [Oxfordshire]; New
York: Oxford University Press, 1988 TR 282.09 KELL Location: Range 7
Also available online through Oxford Reference Online.

Latham, RE et al, prep. Dictionary of Medieval Latin from British Sources. TT
477 DICT fasc.1 – 12 Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.
This describes Latin words located in British documents up to 1550, giving most
thorough treatment to non-classical uses and forms or those forms that are unique to
Britain. Similar to the OED, provides quotations showing use. Bibliography and
abbreviations are found at the end of fasc. 1.

Latham, RE. Revised Medieval Latin Word-list from British and Irish Sources.
London: Published for the British Academy by the Oxford University Press, 1965.
TR 477 LATH Location: Range 8

MacKay, Angus and David Ditchburn, eds. Atlas of Medieval Europe. London:
Routledge, 1997. TR 940.1 MACK Location: Range 9

Encyclopedias
The Catholic Encyclopaedia [vols.1 -12], London 1907-12. TR 282 CATH
Location: Range 7
This edition is an extremely rich source of information with a level of detail its successors do not contain, though the scholarship is of course old.


Bibliographies

Use for State Papers and historical societies.

Increasingly out-of-date, but this bibliography still contains a valuable introduction to the older sources.

Typologie des sources du Moyen Age occidental. TR 940.1 TYPO Location: Range 4
Title search: ‘Typologie des sources du Moyen Age occidental’ for full listing. This series of small guide books, published by Brepols, provides careful introductions to a multitude of sub-disciplines and topics, ranging from "the sermon" to "letter writing" to the Latin hymn.

Other Material in Reference Reading Room
Church History Pamphlet Collection Location: Range 11
"Life of Saint Cataldus." Dublin Irish Messenger 1902. p 274.15 CATA P. 280

Irish History Pamphlet Collection Location: Range 11

Irish Historic Town Atlas Series TRF 912.415 IRIS Location: Range 12
Title search on catalogue for full list. Each volume includes a variety of historical maps, topographical information, prints, & aerial photographs.

The Henry Bradshaw Society founded in 1890 in memory of Henry Bradshaw (1831-1886) for the purpose of printing liturgical mss, and rare editions of service books and illustrative documents, on a historical and scientific basis. Keyword search on the Library Catalogue for ‘Henry Bradshaw Society’. They are scattered through various collections.

State Papers Location: Ranges 11 – 16
Keyword search on the Library Catalogue for ‘Royal Commission On Historical Manuscripts.’ They are part of State Papers and State Papers Serials.
Use also for *Rerum Britannicarum Medii Ævi scriptores*. Often known as "The Rolls series," this is the British equivalent of the MGH. For those working in English history, the collections developed by the Camden Society, the Royal Historical Society and the Pipe Roll Society.

**Journals**  **Location:** Ranges 16 – 18

*Analecta Bollandiana, Medium Aevum, Analecta Hibernica* (IMC), etc.
- *L'Année Philologique*: Use for Authors/texts to c. AD 500-800 & secondary literature. It records citations of all known scholarly work published in any language anywhere in the world concerning the areas of ancient Greek and Latin language and linguistics, Greek and Roman history, literature, philosophy, art, archaeology, religion, mythology, music, science, early Christian texts, numismatics, papyrology and epigraphy, and concerning the time period from the second millennium B.C. to roughly 500-800 A.D.
- *Medioevo Latino*: Use for Authors/texts AD 500-1500 & secondary literature: Consult section "Auctori e testi." Prior to 1992 coverage ended at ca. 1330.
- *Medioevo Latino*: Use for general listing of sources. Consult "Repertori ed Enciclopedie." It is about two years behind in coverage.

**Maps**


See contents: Mappa Mundi (pages 78 – 87). Hibernia: Plates 56v

See also: [http://www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/unvbrit/a/001cottibb00005u00056v00.html](http://www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/unvbrit/a/001cottibb00005u00056v00.html)


Contains: Introduction, Bibliography, list of reproductions, chart of maps, transcriptions and translations of the legends, Appendices.

Appendix C:

- Hibernia: r/i 832 [r = regio or region]; Dublin c (828) [c = civitas or city]
- 822 or 828 refers to the numbers in bold on the left. It is not the page number.
- Map Section: 9

**Ptolemy (2nd Century):** *Claudii Ptolemaei Geographicae enarrationis libri octo / Bilibaldo Pirckeymhero interprete; annotationes Joannis de Regio Monte in errores commissos a Iacobo Angelo in translatione sua.* Argentorati [i.e. Strasbourg]: Iohannes Grieningerus, communibus Iohannis Koberger impensis excudebat, anno a Christi Nativityte MDXXV [1525] tertio Kal[endas] Aprilis.  **OPB f 910 PTOL**  **Location:** Closed Access. Must be requested.

**Ptolemy (2nd Century):** *Claudii Ptolemaei Geographia. Tabulae XXXVI a Carolo Mullero instructae.* Parisis: Editoribus Alfredo Firmin Didot et sociis, 1901. **OPB f 910 PTOL.**  **Location:** Closed Access. Must be requested.

It shows the geographic distribution and the character of religious houses from the 5th century to the end of the 16th century. The national grid allows cross-reference to other maps in the survey.

**Useful Collections & Selected Other Material**

**Transmissions & Transformations (TT)** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.


**French Sources:**

*Recueil des historiens des Gaules et de la France: contenant tout ce qui a été fait par les Gaulois, & qui s'est passe dans le Gaules avant l'arrivée des Francois; & plusieurs autres choses qui regardent les Francois depuis leur origine jusqu'à Clovis.* Paris: Aux dépens des librairies, 1738-1904. **OPB f 944 RECU v.1 - 22** Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.

Begun by Martin Bouquet, reprinted by Leopold Delisle and continued by the Academie, the series is actually incomplete

**Italian Sources:**
Keyword search on *Fonti per la storia dell'Italia medioeval.* Material in TT Collection.


**Church Councils**

Baronius was the first great attempt to assemble a collection of the documents of the church from the Catholic perspective, both conciliar and other documents. "Baronius was at some pains to secure accuracy, as is clear from the long list of authorities he cites and compares. But on many matters, particularly where the E[nglish] church is concerned, his information was scanty and in error, and throughout his critical powers failed to support his good intentions." (Oxf. Dic. Chr. Church). Later collections devoted specifically to the church councils drew much of their material from Baronius' work. "At his death this work had only reached the year 1198, and various attempts, all worthless, were made to continue it." (ibid.) Library has v.[9] & [10] of continuation of Baronio by Odorico Rinaldi, covering years 1534-65 (K.2.4-5). Also epitome of Baronio in 2 vols (J.2.1-2) by Henry de Sponde, who compiled a continuation of Baronio down to 1646.

Baronio, Cesare. *Annales ecclesiastici.* Antverpiae: Ex officina Plantiniana, 1610-1629. **L.1.5 (1) - L.1.5 (12) Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.**


Vols. of this work numbered consecutively with: Baronio's *Annales ecclesiastici* of which it forms a continuation. See library's set, **L.1.5 (1-12)**

Sponde, Henry de. *Annales ecclesiastici ex XII tomis Caesaris Baronii ... in epitomem redacti: Una cum vita eiusdem eminenterissimi cardinalis, ac nonnullis postumis lucubrationibus ad annales pertinentibus, necnon & notis ad eosdem annales, pro rerum illustratione & criminationum dilutione; ac brevi auctario ab eo tempore quo Baronius cessavit, usque ad ann. 1622. Lugduni [Lyon]: Sumptib. Anissoniorum, Ioan. Posuel, & Claudii Rigaud, 1686 **J.2.1 v.1 – v.2 Location: Closed Access. Must be requested.**


Originally published at Florence in 1759 and often simply called "Mansi," this is the final and greatest of the early-modern conciliar collections and the starting point for most conciliar research. The edition in the TT collection is a reprint of the 1901-1927 edition.

**Useful Websites**

- See ‘Useful Websites’ on Special Collections, UCC Library.