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Church Register: Christ Church, Church of England, Newcastle NSW

This page provides details of all available versions of the Newcastle registers, with a guide to the sources actually used in BDA. Those marked "Online" are included in BDA as at: January 2013.

Baptisms Document Church Registers	Start 1832	End 1840	Location SAG Reel 3299	In BDA Online
Clergy Returns	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 10 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 11 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 12 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 13 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 14 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online Online Online Online Online Online
Kerrison James	1818	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 3	Online
Marriages				
Church Registers	1818 1822 1826	1818 1825 1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 9 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 9 SAG Reel 3299	Online Online Not used
Clergy Returns	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 10 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 11 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 12 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 13 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 14 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online Online Online Online Online Online
Kerrison James	1818	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 3	Not used*
Burials				
Church Registers	1821 1832	1825 1840	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 9 SAG Reel 3299	Online Online
Clergy Returns	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 10 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 11 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 12 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 13 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 14 SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online Online Online Online Online Online
Kerrison James	1821	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5001, Vol. 2	Not used*

Notes re the Newcastle registers:

Church Registers

The entries from the Newcastle church registers covering the years 1826 to 1856 (and beyond) are found in the Society of Australian Genealogists' microfilm reel 3299 (held by SAG). For more information, see the Society of Australian Genealogists library catalogue at https://www.sag.org.au. These were not used for the BDA transcriptions as they were difficult to access for BDA staff.

Scans of pages from Newcastle original parish registers held by the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle have in recent years been made publicly available online through the Special Collections section of the Library of the University of Newcastle, New South Wales.

The collection called 'Baptism, Marriage and Burial Registers - Archives of the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle' can be viewed online at this location: https://livinghistories.newcastle.edu.au/

This resource has been used for transcripts of registers for 1832+.

Clergy Returns

These are copies of the church registers sent to the government (similarly to the Bishop's Transcripts in England) and begin in 1826 for Newcastle. As the Clergy Returns were easier to access for BDA data entry staff (through the ARK microfilms), these form the basis of the Newcastle church register transcriptions made for BDA prior to 2013.

Kerrison James Index

This index was not used as the main transcription source for these BDA entries as it is merely an index extracted from the church registers and contains errors. It has been used for baptisms for the period 1818-1825 in the absence of any other available source.

NSW Registry of Birth, Death & Marriage Indexes

For the pre-1856 period, the online indexes published by the NSW Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages provides index entries for baptisms, marriages and burials found in registers they hold.

For the Newcastle, the BDM indexes source entries from:

- 1. The Kerrison James Index listed above; that is Volumes 1-3 of ARK;
- 2. The Church Registers published in Volume 9 of ARK;
- 3. The Clergy Returns published in ARK.

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