

## BDA Source Description Pages

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### Church Registers: St Albans Church of England, St Albans NSW

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

#### Baptisms

Document	Start	End	Location	In BDA
Church Registers	1831 1832+	1831	SAG Reel 3299	Not used Not processed
Clergy Returns	1831	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online
Kerrison James	1831	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5001, Vol. 1	Not used*

#### Marriages

Church Registers	1831 1832+	1831	SAG Reel 3299	Not used Not processed
Clergy Returns	1831	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online
Kerrison James	1831	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5002, Vol. 3	Not used*

#### Burials

Church Registers	1831 1832+	1831	SAG Reel 3299	Not used Not processed
Clergy Returns	1831	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5003, Vol. 15	Online
Kerrison James	1826	1831	SRNSW: ARK Reel 5001, Vol. 2	Not used*

### Notes re the St Albans registers:

#### Church Registers

The entries from the St Albans 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 *Index to the Microform Collection of the Society of Australian Genealogists as at 31 January 1990* (SAG, Sydney, 1990, p.99). These were not used for the BDA transcriptions as they were difficult to access for BDA staff.

#### Clergy Returns

These are copies of the church registers sent to the government (similarly to the Bishop's Transcripts in England), and begin in 1831 for St Albans. These form the basis of the St Albans church register transcriptions although it must be noted that the parish itself was listed as "Lower Hawkesbury" in the early Clergy Returns.

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### **Kerrison James Index**

This index was not used as a transcription source for these BDA entries as it is merely an index extracted from the church registers and contains many errors.

### **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 St Albans, the BDM Indexes source entries from:

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

**\*Not used:** These sources are copies of the originals and were only used if the originals proved difficult to read.

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