

Glennan Presbyterian Church, Parish of Donagh, Co. Monaghan

Baptisms 1805 – 1981; Marriages 1805 – 1820; 1845 – 1905; no burials

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(NB: I've also included some Ballyalbany Presb. Church and Donagh Church of Ireland records on page 2.)

Also Treugh, Scarnagiroch (and Scarne Giroch or Scarnegeerath). Known also as Grasslough after the nearby village, Glennan goes back to 1650. Thomas Gowan, born at Caldemuir, Scotland, in 1631, settled here c.1650, preached in the Parish Church and received the tithes. Deposited in 1660 he moved to Antrim ... the congregation was united with Kinnaird (now Minterburn).

Mr John Davidson was ordained on 28 May 1862 (lic. Belfast), a Legacurry man who retired in 1913 and died in 1922. The new church was built during his ministry in 1874. Glennan was united with Middletown in 1922. This union was dissolved in 1959 when Glennan became a stated supply of Ballyalbany.

Marriages

When married	Name & Surname	Age	Condition	Rank or Profession	Residence at time of marriage	Father's Name	Rank or Profession
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04 May 1845	Francis Byers	full age	Bachelor	Farmer	Mullapike, P'sh of Donagh	John Byers	Farmer
	Anne Steele	full age	Spinster	-	Tirnastra (?), P'sh of Tyholland	Robert Steele	Farmer

Glennan Meeting House, William Smyth, minister

18 August 1854	Martha Byers	full age	Spinster	-	Derrybain, P'sh of Donagh Co. Monaghan	Samuel Byers	Farmer
	Robt. McCormick	full age	Bachelor	Labourer	Strahan, P'sh of Donagh Co. Monaghan	George Fair	Farmer

29 March 1864	Robert Byers	full age	Bachelor	Farmer	Drumgahan, P'sh of Donagh	John Byers	Farmer
	Isabella Fair	full age	Spinster	-	Kinagin, P'sh of Donagh	George Fair	Farmer

Married in the Glennan Presbyterian Church according to the Form and Discipline of the Presbyterian Church, by licence by me, John Davidson

28 February 1867	William Bickerstaff	full age	Bachelor	Servant	Glaislough, P'sh of Donagh Co. Monaghan	Thomas Bickerstaff	Farmer
	Margaret Byers	full age	Spinster	-	Drumgaghan, P'sh of Donagh Co. Monaghan	John Byers	Farmer

Witnesses were	Andrew Stuart Thomas Dixon
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Laurie Thompson, writing to me in 2007, reported that Jack Storey, a family historian, had noted a number of Byers families in the Glennan Church records. Those that follow are the ones Laurie kindly forwarded to me (please note that many were originally spelled "Byars" and I've marked all those that I'm confident about, i.e. being Byers, with an asterisk*):

Ballyalbany Presbyterian Church Baptisms

- 19.05.1804 George Byers, 4th son of George and Agnes Byers of Mullaghpeak
- 13.05.1812 Mary Byers, 1st daughter of David Byers and Elizabeth Hendron of Enagh
- 10.06.1819 David Byers, 3rd son of David Byers and Elizabeth Hendron of Donagh
- 09.01.1823 John Byers, 2nd son of David Byers and Elizabeth Hendron of Donagh
Somewhere there's a numbering problem here. Had two sons died? Or a date been mis-transcribed?
- 02.06.1815 John Byers, 1st son of Robert Bryans [= Byers] and Elizabeth Wright of Enagh
- 19.07.1817 Thomas Byers, 2nd son of Robert Bryans [= Byers] and Elizabeth Wright of Enagh
- 23.08.1820 Robert Byers, 3rd son of Robert Byers and Elizabeth Wright of Enagh
- 02.09.1825 Margaret Cromwell, 1st daughter of James Cromwell and Elizabeth Byers of Enagh

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- 30.01.1821 Francis Byers, son of John and Ellen Byers* of Derryveen, Parish of Donagh.
- 11.07.1822 Mari Jane Byers, daughter of John and Ellen Byers* of Derryveen,
Parish of Donagh.
Question: Is Mari Jane actually Mary Jane, or perhaps Marianne?
- 25.12.1823 Mari Jane Byers, daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Byers* of Drumgaghan
- 14.03.1826 Robert Byers, son of Alexander and Bess [Elizabeth] Byers* of Belderg
- 11.07.1828 Eliza Byers, daughter of Alexander and Eliza Byers* of Drumgaghan
- 07.11.1827 Anne Jane, daughter of Samuel and Nancy Byers* of Derryveen
- 08.07.1828 William, son of Robert and Ester Byers* of Drumgaghan

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- 01.10.1817 David Byers, son of John (?Joseph) and Mary Byers of Drumgaghan
- 14.01.1821 Sophia Byers, daughter of John (?Joseph) and Mary Byers of Derryveen,
Drumgaghan
- 24.10.1820 Ann Byers, daughter of John and Catherine Byers of Mullaghbane
- 16.10.1826 William Byers, son of William and Mary Byers of Mullaghpeak
- 21.07.1831 Sarah Jane Byers, daughter of David and Sarah Byers of Drumgaghan
- 13.07.1833 James Byers, son of David and Elizabeth Byers of Drumgaghan