

CLIFTON [Cumberland] Incumbents

Taken from the book "Cumberland's Clifton" by Rev JS Sharpe, c 1970 supplemented by DRC 10/6/9 at WRO

1734-1738 Anthony Sharp¹

1738-1739 Thomas Deason²

1739-1742 John Robinson³

1742-1748 John Fell

1748-1750 Joseph Steel⁴

23rd Dec 1750 to death in 1777 John Ritson

1777 to death in 1803 Joseph Winder⁵

1803-16th Feb 1804 Richard Dixon⁶

7th April 1804-death on 20th Jan 1850 Anthony Dalzell⁷

1850-death on 25th April 1882 Joseph Hetherington⁸

1882-death in December 1899 Edward Mulholland Rice MA (TCD)

1900-1943 William Roberts⁹

Nov 1943-1951 William Urqhart Torrance¹⁰

1952-1954 Frank Todhunter

1955-1960 Thomas Sumner

1960-1968 Anthony Gaskell¹¹

3rd September 1968 Richard John Sutton Watson AKC

¹ Curate of Workington (St Michael) until ordained 22 May 1737

² Baptised at Hawkshead 5/9/1715, previously at Wythburn

³ Baptised at Forcet and born at Eppleby (Yorkshire) 6/5/1709

⁴ Baptised 7/8/1723 at Workington (St Michael)

⁵ Baptised Dean 21/7/1753, From 1798 to 1803 also Schoolmaster at Workington

⁶ Baptised Whitehaven St Nicholas' 12/9/1779, became an Examining Master at Oxford University

⁷ Also Curate of Workington, absentee incumbent to c 1825- had stipendiary Curates Isaac Temple 1816-1817 (bap Harrington 9/3/1793), Isaac Fidler 1817-1820, Robert Temple 1820-1823 (brother of Isaac, baptised Harrington 6/9/1791) and Henry Hodgson 1823-?

⁸ 1850-1852 duties performed by Patrick W Malone, Stipendiary Curate. Became a Parish in 1858- previously a Chapelry of Workington (St Michael).

⁹ New Church opened 23/8/1900, previously Master of St Bees School & Curate of Haverigg

¹⁰ Came from Baildon, Yorkshire; Scotsman by birth; died 21/12/1962

¹¹ Went to Dendron & Rampside