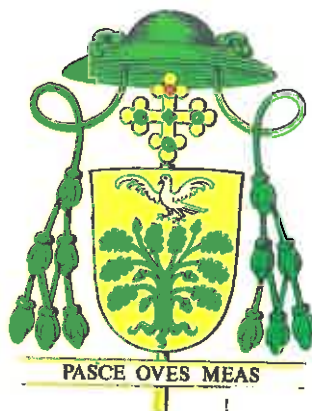


BISHOPS OF THE DIOCESE OF DERRY

1152-1173	Muiredhach Ó Cofaigh
1173-1184	Amhlaí Ó Muireadhaigh
1185-1230	Fógartach Ó Cearbhalláin I
1230-1279	Giolla an Choimde Ó Cearbhalláin
1280-1293	Fógartach Ó Cearbhalláin II
1295-1297	Enri Mac Airechtaig
1297-1315	Gofraidh Mac Lochlainn
1316-1319	Aodh Ó Néill
1319-1349	Micheál Mac Lochlainn
1349-1380	Simon
1391-1394	John Dongan
1394	Eoin Ó Mocháin - <i>does not appear to have taken possession of the diocese</i>
1398-1401	Aodh
1401-1415	Seán Ó Flannabhra
1415	Domhnall Mac Cathmaoil - <i>not consecrated as bishop</i>
1419-1429	Domhnall Ó Meraigh
1429-1433	Eoghan Ó Domhnaill
1433-1455	Sean Ó Gubúin
1458-1463	Bartholomew Ó Flanagan
1464-1466	John (Seán)
1466-1484	Nicolas Weston
1487-1500	Domhnall Ó Fallúin
1503-1519	Séamus Mac Mathúna
1520-1550	Ruairí Ó Domhnaill
1554-1569	Eoghan Ó Dochartaigh
1569-1601	Réamonn Ó Gallachair
1601-1720	See was vacant and ruled by vicars apostolic
1720-1727	Terence O'Donnelly
1727-1738	Neal Conway
1739-1749	Michael O'Reilly
1749	John Ó Brolcháin - <i>not consecrated</i>
1751-1752	Patrick Ó Brolcháin
1752-1765	John McColgan
1766-1797	Philip McDevitt
1798-1823	Charles O'Donnell
1824-1840	Peter McLaughlin
1840-1845	John McLaughlin
1846-1849	Edward Maginn - <i>coadjutor bishop</i>
1849-1889	Francis Kelly - <i>including term as coadjutor bishop</i>
1890-1907	John Keys O'Doherty
1907-1926	Charles McHugh
1926-1939	Bernard O'Kane

1939-1973

Neil Farren



THE MOST REVEREND EDWARD DALY
Bishop of Derry
(31 March 1974 – 26 October 1993)



THE MOST REVEREND FRANCIS LAGAN
Auxiliary to the Bishop of Derry
(20 March 1988 – 6 May 2010)



THE MOST REVEREND SÉAMUS HEGARTY

Bishop of Derry
(1 October 1994 – 23 November 2011)

Father, Eternal Shepherd,
You tend your Church in many ways
and lead us in love.

Help your servant Donal
as pastor for Christ
to watch over the Church that is in Derry.

Help him to be a faithful teacher,
a wise administrator,
and a prayerful servant of the Gospel.
Amen

THE COAT OF ARMS OF
THE MOST REVEREND DONAL MCKEOWN, DD
BISHOP OF DERRY



The Bishop's coat of arms takes some elements from the traditional McKeown family symbols – the salmon, which is an ancient Irish symbol of wisdom, and the red hand. However, the simple penal crosses now flank the One whose hands were pierced for the world's salvation. The salmon reflects the words of the prophet Isaiah, who said "with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation" (Is 12:3).

The Bishop's motto "*Veritas in Caritate*" occurs in the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians (4:15). By doing and speaking the "*truth in love*", all are encouraged to grow together as the Body of Christ, under Christ the Head. All those who are "in Christ" have been given their own share of grace, so that together we can become mature with the fullness of Christ himself.

LIFE AND MINISTRY OF BISHOP DONAL MCKEOWN

Bishop Donal McKeown was born on 12 April 1950 and brought up in Randalstown, Co Antrim, the first of four children of James McKeown (the local watchmaker) and Rose (née McMeel), a primary school teacher. He has

three siblings – James, Mary and Teresa – and five nephews and nieces. His father died in 1998 at the age of 83 and his mother died in 2008, aged 92.

Since James McKeown was one of thirteen children – only one of whom left the area – and his mother was the eldest of eight, Bishop McKeown grew up in a large extended family, where community and culture were intertwined. Both he and his father played Gaelic football and hurling with Creggan Kickhams GAA club, which recently won the All-Ireland Club Junior Hurling Final. Bishop McKeown's nephews are on the Loughgiel Senior Hurling Panel.

After local primary education, he attended Saint Mac Nissi's College, Garron Tower (1961-68). From 1968 to 1973 he studied at Queen's University, Belfast, while staying in the diocesan seminary at Saint Malachy's College. He graduated from QUB with an honours degree in German and Italian. He then undertook five years study of philosophy and theology in Rome at the Gregorian Pontifical University, being ordained a priest for the Diocese of Down and Connor by Bishop William Philbin in Randalstown on 3 July 1977.

His first appointment in Down and Connor was to the teaching staff of Saint Patrick's College in East Belfast, as well as assisting in the parish of Derriagh. In 1983 he was transferred to the staff of Saint MacNissi's College, his old *alma mater*, and in addition was given responsibility for organising the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes.

In 1987 Bishop Cahal Daly, then Bishop of Down and Connor, moved him to Saint Malachy's College, Belfast, where he taught and served as Dean of Saint Joseph's Junior Seminary – traditionally known as 'The Wing'. In 1994, he was appointed President of Saint Malachy's College and during his time there obtained his MBA in Educational Management from the University of Leicester. In 2001, Father McKeown was appointed as Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Down and Connor.

Bishop McKeown's responsibilities as a member of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference have included: the promotion of Catholic education, youth ministry, university chaplaincies and the promotion of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. His interests include the interface between faith and the empirical sciences and work with Catholic schools in Norway, Denmark, Lithuania, Poland and Germany. He is fluent in Irish, Italian and German.

Bishop McKeown has always had a keen interest in promoting the good news of the Gospel in the media. From 1971 to 1973 he was Belfast correspondent for the German Catholic news agency, KNA. While in Rome

he did some media work with Vatican Radio and, as part of a team, developed reports in the Irish language for RTE's *An Saol Mór*. Bishop McKeown is a regular contributor, both north and south, to radio and television as well as having opinion articles published in newspapers and periodicals.

On Tuesday 25 February 2014, His Holiness, Pope Francis named Bishop McKeown as the new Bishop of the Diocese of Derry. At a Prayer Service in Saint Eugene's Cathedral, Bishop McKeown was presented to the priests and people of the diocese by Father Francis Bradley, Diocesan Administrator, in the presence of the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown. He succeeds Bishop Séamus Hegarty who retired as the Bishop of Derry on 23 November 2011.

THE CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION

When the announcement of the appointment of a new bishop is made, before he can exercise the rights and duties of his office, he must be installed officially as the Diocesan Bishop of his Diocese. The official term for this is taking "canonical possession" of a diocese (cf. canon 382 §§1-4). For Bishop McKeown, since the Bishop-Designate is already a bishop, he must take canonical possession of the Diocese within two months of the date of appointment. That is why the ceremony takes place today, Sunday 6 April 2014.

It is with great joy that we gather in the Cathedral Church of Saint Eugene to witness the Installation of Bishop McKeown and we assure him of our support and prayer as he assumes the office of Chief Shepherd of this Diocese.

The installation ceremony is a solemn liturgical ceremony usually done in the Cathedral church of the diocese. Before the ceremony begins, the concelebrating Clergy process into the Cathedral. This is followed by a moment of prayer, invoking the intercession of the Saints, especially those of the Diocese of Derry. This act of prayer, uniting the Christian Faithful with the company of heaven, reminds us of our need for God's assistance as we seek to give witness to the Gospel in the modern world.

Then, the Metropolitan Archbishop, along with the Apostolic Nuncio, the concelebrating Bishops and the College of Consultors process to the Great Western Door of the Cathedral for the formal beginning of the ceremony. It

is there that Bishop McKeown is formally welcomed to his Cathedral Church and presented to the Diocesan Administrator and the College of Consultors.

At the Sanctuary, the Papal Nuncio reads the Pope's Apostolic Letter of Appointment and it is then shown to the College of Consultors in the presence of the Chancellor of the Diocese. The Bishop-Designate is then seated in the *Cathedra* (the Bishop's Chair), at which moment he formally takes possession of the Diocese and becomes the Bishop of the Diocese. This prayerful and joyous event is a special moment in the life of a diocese.

PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE OF DERRY

God our Father,
we, your people of the Diocese of Derry,
turn to you in prayer,
as our ancestors have done,
in good times and bad,
since the days of Saint Columba and Saint Eugene,
Saint Lurach and Saint Mura.

Although aware that we are unworthy of your grace,
with confidence in your love we ask your help.

Give courage and vision to Bishop Donal
as he fulfills the office as Chief Shepherd in this Diocese.

Support and care for our bishops in their retirement.

Grant your wisdom and discernment to all those charged
with the task of spreading the Good News of the Gospel,
your priests, consecrated and lay faithful.

We ask you this in the name
of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by
Father Kieran Devlin (1938-2012)

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT

The Most Reverend Donal McKeown

Bishop of Derry

METROPOLITAN ARCHBISHOP

His Eminence Sean Cardinal Brady

Archbishop of Armagh & Primate of All Ireland

PRINCIPAL CONCELEBRANTS

The Most Reverend Charles Brown

Titular Archbishop of Aquileia, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland

The Most Reverend Eamon Martin

Coadjutor Archbishop of Armagh

The Most Reverend Séamus Hegarty

Bishop-Emeritus of Derry

The Most Reverend Edward Daly

Bishop-Emeritus of Derry

The Most Reverend Francis Lagan

Auxiliary Bishop-Emeritus to the Bishop of Derry

The Very Reverend Francis Bradley

CHAPLAINS TO THE METROPOLITAN & BISHOP

The Very Reverend John Murray

The Reverend Dr Oliver Treanor

DEACONS

The Reverend Andrew Black

The Reverend Dominic McGrattan

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

The Reverend Peter O'Kane

CHOIR

Choir of Saint Eugene's Cathedral

DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Sr. Perpetua McNulty

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Mr. Darren Hargan

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& Servers of the Parish of Templemore (Saint Eugene)**

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