



Poor Clares Monastery | Chlochar na Trócaire

The Convent of the Poor Clares or Franciscan Nuns (GA094-106) was founded in 1649 on Nuns Island/Oileán Ealtanach. Nuns Island is surrounded by Eglinton Canal and a branch of the River Corrib to the immediate west of Galway Cathedral. The site was abandoned in 1653 and by c. 1691 the nuns occupied a house in Market St. The present convent building on Nuns Island was taken over by the Poor Clares order in 1825, but began life as an 18th century private house. The nuns added to and extended the original house on several occasions, adding the substantial front block around 1880.

The cemetery is located on the eastern side of the convent, and is accessed via a pedestrian gate in the northern side of a set of railings which are set into a cut stone surround. A total of 67 names are carved into a memorial set against the southern wall. The memorial is divided into four panels, containing a list of names dating from 1843-2017.

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As part of Galway City Council's policy of making information on heritage freely available, a summary brochure like this one is being prepared for each of Galway City's 28 areas. These are being printed along with a map as a guide for those who visit our graveyards. The monuments on the maps are numbered and are linked to the historicgraves.com and galwaycity.ie websites. This allows anyone anywhere to research their ancestry and kinship in the Galway area without charge. Copies of the following 16 leaflets; Ballybrit, Bushypark, Castlegar, Castlawn, Convent of Mercy Forster St. and Francis St., Franciscan Abbey, Forthill, Menlo, Old Rahoon, Poor Clare Monastery, Roscam, St Mary's Dominican, St Patrick's, Salthill Upper and United Methodist Presbyterian are available from the Heritage Office, City Hall, College Rd, Galway (Tel: 091 536547/536516) and from city library branches free of charge.

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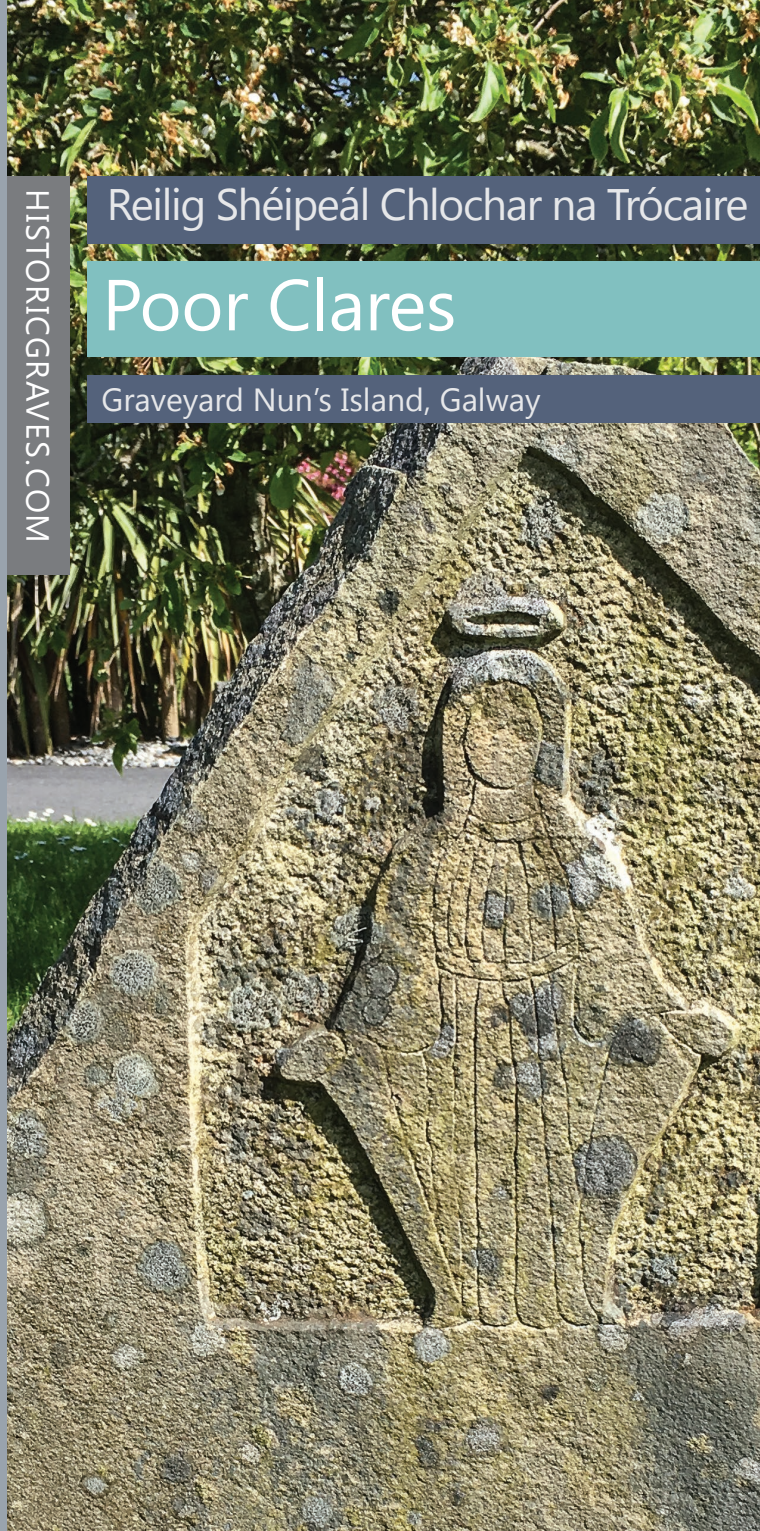


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Poor Clare Monastery

RIVER CORRIB

POOR CLARES MONASTERY



Some Examples | Cuid de na Leachtaí

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Anthony Burke - 1843

MEMORIAL

Anthony Burke is the first and earliest name on this memorial, set against the southern wall. It is divided into four panels, with lists of 67 names carved on three. The fourth panel is decorated with a kneeling figure and dove and reads *Requiescant in Pace*.

Reference: GA-PRCL-0001
GPS: 53° 16' 27.8796" N, 9° 3' 30.4416" W



04

Anon


LEDGER

This concrete ledger stone is one of four similar memorials (04-07) in the railed cemetery. All are nameless and decorated with a simple cross in high relief. There are three further memorials located within the area, all concrete box tombs (08-10).

Reference GA-PRCL-0004
GPS: 53° 16' 26.0508" N, 9° 3' 30.2112" W



Key

Headstone	Kerbed Grave	Cross or Pedestal	Ledger or Chest tomb	Vault or Mausoleum
 29	 34	 08	 56	 50