

C110 Father Richard Marum - First Minister of All Saints Roman Catholic Church

Title/rank:	First priest/pastor at All Saints Roman Catholic Church 1839-41
Born – date/year:	Approx. 1814
Place of origin:	Ossory, Ireland
Marital status & children:	Single
Place where lived	Liverpool
Role/job:	<p>In 1838, a number of young Irish priests arrived in New South Wales, including Father Richard Marum who was sent off to Liverpool. He helped lay the foundation stone of All Saints Roman Catholic Church there in 1840 and when it was opened, was its first priest. He threw himself into his pastoral duties so whole heartedly he wore himself out and died early.</p> <p>There has always been a large catholic congregation in the Liverpool District, not the least known of whom were the Irish political exiles who had grants along Cabramatta Creek . The Catholic congregation increased so much that a much larger church had to be built, which was completed in 1964. The ‘sandstone top’ of Father Marum’s grave was set in the new All Saints Church, with Council permission.]</p>
Contribution to Liverpool:	First priest/pastor at All Saints Roman Catholic Church 1839-41.
Died/age:	<p>6 March 1842 - 28. ‘Broken by his labours’, according to his brother priests. Grave no. C110</p> <p>The following month, a solemn High Mass was offered up in St. Mary’s Cathedral in Hyde Park, Sydney, for the repose of his soul. (The cathedral mass in the City indicates the high regard in which he was held.)</p>
Source of info.	Material from LFHS and <i>Australasian Chronicle</i> 7 April 1842