

ELLIS, JOHN (1674 - 1735), cleric and antiquary

Name: John Ellis
Date of birth: 1674
Date of death: 1735
Spouse: Catherine Ellis (née Humphreys)
Child: John Ellis
Parent: Jane Ellis (née Marsh)
Parent: Thomas Ellis
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric and antiquary
Area of activity: History and Culture; Religion; Scholarship and Languages
Author: Gildas Tibbott

Second son of Thomas Ellis of Llandegwning, Llŷn, and his wife Jane Marsh, widow of Herbert Griffith, Brynodynol. He matriculated at Jesus College, Oxford, 31 March 1690, at the age of 16, graduated B.A. in 1693, M.A. (and a Fellow) in 1696, S.T.B. in 1703, and S.T.P. c. 1720, was ordained a deacon 7 September 1707, and a priest 4 July 1708, and was presented to the rectorate of Llandwrog 30 September 1710 and appointed a canon of Bangor cathedral in the same year. He surrendered the latter office on receiving the prebend of Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd on 26 March 1713, and was presented to the rectorate of Llanbedr-y-cennin with the vicariate of Caerhun on 24 July 1719. He married, 13 May 1720, Catherine, daughter of Richard Humphreys, Hendregwenllian, Penrhyndeudraeth, and step-sister of [bishop Humphrey Humphreys](#); they had three children - one, John Ellis, Ll.B., became vicar of Bangor and archdeacon of Merioneth, but the others died in infancy. He died at Llanbedr in July 1735; the register of that parish records his burial on the 12th day of the month. John Ellis took a great interest in antiquities. [Browne Willis](#) acknowledges the valuable assistance which he rendered in the compilation of *A Survey of the Cathedral Church of Bangor*, 1721.

Author

Gildas Tibbott, (1900 - 1979)

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