

CLYNNOG, MORGAN (1558 - after 1619), seminary priest

Name: Morgan Clynnog
Date of birth: 1558
Date of death: after 1619
Gender: Male
Occupation: seminary priest
Area of activity: Religion
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entered the English College, Rome, at the age of 21. After the disturbance, which resulted in the removal from the rectorship of the English College of his uncle, [Dr. Morys Clynnog](#), he was the first Welsh student to take the mission oath, 23 April, 1579. He was ordained priest and returned to his native land in 1582. A letter of May or June 1587 refers to him in connection with other Welsh seminary priests, and in 1588 he appears on [lord Burghley](#)'s list of priests in Wales as 'Clneycke Morgan.' He is known to have said Mass at Llandilo in 1590 and to have ministered elsewhere in Carmarthenshire. He was at Margam in 1591. In 1596 he was living with Jenkin Turberville at Pen-llin, Glamorganshire, and was still there in 1602. In 1606 the Benedictine, [David Augustine Baker](#), brought him to Abergavenny to reconcile his father, William Baker, to the Roman Catholic church, and the old man rebuked him for gabbling his Latin. He sent young men abroad to the seminaries at Douai and Valladolid, and worked in cordial co-operation with the Jesuits and with other secular priests for at least thirty-seven years. He was made an assistant to the archpriest by 1600, and when last heard of, on 2 December 1619, he was senior assistant, which indicates the high regard in which he was held by his co-religionists in England and Wales.

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