

26 January

FR GEORGE FRASER

18 February 1859 - 26 January 1890



George Fraser was born in London and educated at the Jesuit College of Beaumont before entering the Society in 1877. He was at St Aidan's 1880-83, did theology in 1884 at Dunbrody and was ordained by Bishop Ricards in 1885.

In 1886 he was put in charge of Keilands which had a large population, and he was happiest working among them, learning their language and customs. He was much respected and showed a 'calm determination and self-forgetfulness'.

In 1889 he became ill and died in January the following year.

There is a printed copy of a letter of his in the archives describing to Weld, Mission Superior at the time, his medical efforts among the people and in particular a case of a man brought to him severely wounded, who had been involved in a fight.



This old photo, taken in the late 1880s, shows Fr Hornig (with beard), Fr Alphonse Daignault (mission Superior) and Fr Fraser at Keilands.