

# Father Hudson's Society, United Kingdom

1902 -

Other Names:

 Birmingham Diocesan Rescue Society for the Protection of Homeless and Friendless Catholic Children

**URL:** <a href="http://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk">http://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk</a>

# **Details**

Father Hudson's Society was one of the British Children's Homes which sent child migrants to Australia. It was established in 1902 as the 'Birmingham Diocesan Rescue Society for the Protection of Homeless and Friendless Catholic Children' in Coleshill, Birmingham but was soon known as Father Hudson's Society after its founder, Father George Vincent Hudson. In 1903 Father Hudson became the first secretary of the Catholic Emigration Society and it was through this agency that 133 child migrants were sent to Australia after World War II.

Children who were sent to Australia generally came from three of Father Hudson's Society Homes: St Paul's or St Edmund's Boys' Homes or St Joan's Girls' Home in Birmingham. Father Hudson's also sent some children who had been placed at Nazareth House, Rednal.

## More info

## **Related Entries**

#### **Related Events**

- Inquiry Into Child Migration, Parliament of Australia (2000 2001)
- Inquiry into the Welfare of Former British Child Migrants, House of Commons Health Committee, Parliament of the United Kingdom (July 1997 - 23 July 1998)

#### **Related Organisations**

• Castledare (1934 - 1983)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the 'sending agencies' that sent boys as child migrants from Britain to Casteldare.

- Catholic Child Welfare Council, United Kingdom (1929 2003)
- Clontarf (8 September 1901 1983)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the Homes in Britain that sent child migrants to Clontarf.

Date: 1947 - 1957

• Nazareth House, Geraldton (1941 - 1979?)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the Homes in Britain that sent child migrants to Nazareth House.

Date: 1947 - 1957

• Bindoon (1936 - 1966)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the Homes in Britain that sent child migrants to Bindoon.

Date: 1947 - 1957

• St Joseph's Girls' Orphanage (1901 - 1971)

Father Hudson's Society sent some girls from Britain to St Joseph's Orphanage as child migrants.

• St Vincent's Foundling Home (1914 - 1971)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the Homes in Britain that sent child migrants to St Vincent's Foundling Home.

Date: 1947 - 1957

• Tardun Farm School (1928 - 2008)

Father Hudson's Society was one of the Homes in Britain that sent children to Tardun Farm School.

Date: 1947 - 1957

#### Holds

• Father Hudson's Society, Records (1902 - current)

#### **Related Concepts**

• Child Migration (1800s - 1970s)

### Resources

• Independent Inquiry Child Sexual Abuse, Child Migration Programmes Investigation Report, March 2018

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