



PATRONS
of
St Peter's Church Blackland
1191 - Present

DATE	PATRON		NOTES
Pre 1191	De Canville	Richard	A Crusader, d.1191
1191-1194	De Diva	Guy	Held de Canville's estates, gave Church to his own Chaplain
1262-1282	Haddon	Christine	Conveyed the advowson* of the Rectory with Blackland Manor to Malmesbury Abbey
C14-C16			The right to present the incumbent apparently descended with Blackland Manor
1307	Casterton	Richard	Of "Blackland Farm", claimed to hold the advowson; this was disputed by Malmesbury Abbey
1361	The King	Edward III	The King presented as the abbacy of Malmesbury was vacant
1539			Dissolution of Malmesbury Abbey. Advowson passed from the Abbey to the Crown
1583	Wootton	Charles	Presented Henry Massey as Rector, apparently by John Smith's grant of a turn. The Smith family held Blackland Manor.
	Massey	Henry	
1585	Smith	John	Presented Laurence Jones
Late C16-1750s			Advowson descended with the Manor despite claims from owners of Blackland Farm
1600	Goddard	Thomas	Of Blackland Farm, presented John Walker as Rector by Robert Smith's grant
	Goddard	Richard	Son, executor & successor of the above
1618	Hungerford	George	Of Blackland Farm, presumed to have presented John Moseley by another grant
1619	Smith	Matthew	Presented Thomas Page
1669	Smith	Henry	Presented John Jennings
1671	The King	Charles II	King Charles' allegation of a right to present was almost certainly void. He presented John White

1702-1753	Smith	William	In 1753 he presented his son Thomas as Rector, having previously presented Charles Gifford (1702), Edward Davis (1709) and Joseph Smith (1714)
1779	Bishop	John	Executors of Thomas Smith, presented James Mayo
	Essington	William	
1779	Smith	Robert	Inherited the advowson from his uncle, Thomas Smith
Post 1779, pre 1822	Mayo	James	Bought the advowson from Robert Smith
1822	Mayo	Jane	Inherited the advowson from her husband James Mayo and was directed to present their son, also James Mayo, to the vacancy
1836	Mayo	James	Jane Mayo had devised the advowson in trust for sale; trustees sold it to her son, the then Rector, James Mayo
1842-1843			Advowson sold to trustees under 1839 settlement made on the marriage of Revd William M. Macdonald and Elizabeth Hadow. In 1843, the Trustees presented Wm. Macdonald as Rector
1880	Macdonald	Elizabeth	Became Patron on the death of her husband William. From 1881, under the 1839 settlement, the Trustees had the right, on Elizabeth's nomination, to present alternately for the United Benefice of Blackland and Calstone Wellington. George Randolph Hadow had been presented in 1880. Elizabeth died in 1885.
1903	Hadow	James P	Elizabeth's devisees granted, by the Trustees, the right to present as tenants in common. Oswald Addenbrooke Holden (1904) and August Frederick John Danneman (1907) were Rectors during this period.
	Hadow	George Randolph	
1923-4	Hadow	(Frederick) Austen	Acquired the right to present. Edwin James Matthew became Rector in 1927
1932			On Austen Hadow's death, the right to present passed to the Hadow family Trustees. Edwin Matthews remained Rector until his death in 1961.
1962	Salisbury	Bishop of	George Rowland Maundrell, Grandson of G.R. Hadow, surrendered the Trust. From 1962 the Bishop of Salisbury has been the sole patron.

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