

Ann Salvin 1747 – 1827



This plaque, on the north aisle wall of the Church, to Ann Salvin was placed by her 'last living relative', Barbara Ponsonby, seen here in a portrait by the artist Hoppner.



Ann Salvin came from the distinguished Salvin family of North Yorkshire who remained staunch Roman Catholics after the break with Rome and creation of the Church of England. She was connected to Anne, Countess of Newburgh and records suggest she lived at St. Richards House which the Earl of Newburgh had bought in 1791 to be the Roman Catholic Presbytery. She stood as proxy god-mother, with the Earl, at a Catholic baptism in 1795.

Barbara Ponsonby, an only daughter of the 5th Earl of Shaftesbury, was also a cousin of Anne, Countess of Newburgh and her Salvin ancestry was recognised by the re-creation in 1838 of the ancient Salvin title of Baron de Mauley, which had lapsed in 1415. Her descendant, Rupert Ponsonby, 7th Baron de Mauley, is a Government Lord-in-Waiting and Whip in the House of Lords, and has kindly supplied these pictures.



