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Berkshire Family History Society

**Tribute at Vigil**

In memory of David Wails, Joseph Ritchie-Bennett and James Furlong d. 20 Jun 2020

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Reading made international news headlines for all the wrong reasons, following the horrific events on Saturday 20th June in Forbury Gardens, a stone's throw from the Centre and the destination of one of our previous walks

We would like to express our sympathy to the victims and their family and friends

Udla, Udla, Udla! – the Szatkowskis of Lask,

Piotrkow, Poland

30 Jun 19:30 - 21:30 Windsor Branch Online Meeting with Speaker: Leigh Dworkin



One man's quest to break through 3 seemingly impenetrable brick walls to research the Szatkowski family from Lask, near Lodz in central Poland.

The research involved using the jri-poland website, the Polish State archives website, FamilySearch microfilms, visiting Polish archives and cemeteries as well as taking advantage of extensive learning

from the IAJGS (International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies) conference in Warsaw.

"Udla" is the name of the presenter's great-great grandmother.

FREE to members, £3 non-members

Pre-booking is required for ALL places

Book your place now!

Natter Group

7th July 19.00 start, online and facilitated by Chad Hanna and Gillian Stevens



Informal discussion group, topics are chosen by the group on a monthly basis. End time varies.

Free to attend

Pre-booking is required

[Book now](#)

Parish Registers

16th July 14.00-16.00 Online Workshop led by Catherine Sampson



Increase your chances of success with family historians' core resource. Better understand what registers can provide for you, how and why they differ in content over time, where to find them, how Church of England and non-conformist registers differ, and how to interpret them. Also, indexes and transcripts, their benefits and pitfalls.

£9.00 members, £10 non-members

Pre-booking is required.

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England & Wales, Roman Catholics, 1717 Catholic Ancestors?

FMP has added these records this week, which include over 1,400 for Berkshire alone. Each record contains a transcript and an image of the original document. The documents are held by The National Archives.

Of course, FMP is the best online source for English Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms, Marriages and Burials too.

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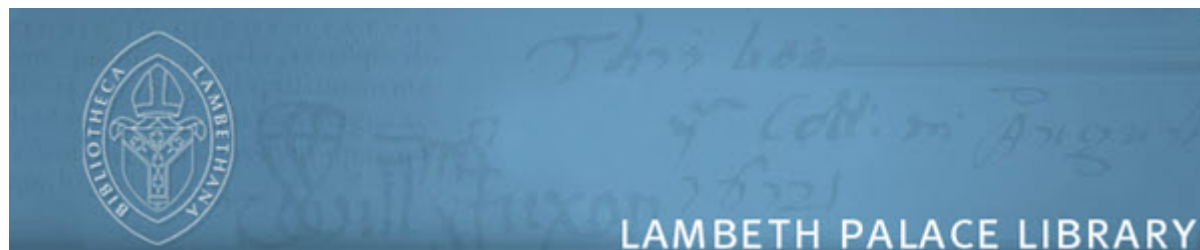
Free access to the content is now extended until 30th September. Try searching for counties, people or places of interest

[Visit the site](#)

British Newspaper Archive

BNA has just added over 13,000 pages from the Maidenhead Advertiser covering issues from 1870 to 1912 (and ultimately will cover to 1915)

[Visit the site](#)



Lambeth Palace Archives

A lesser-used archive by family historians, the Lambeth Place Archives nevertheless holds some interesting documents, some of which are now available online. One more recent addition to the online content is an index of medical practitioner licences granted by the Archbishop of Canterbury between 1576 and 1775.

The licensing of medical practitioners in England and Wales in the early modern period was exercised by a number of quite separate authorities. A physician or surgeon might

- hold a degree or a licence from a university
- a licence from the College of Physicians of London
- a licence issued by the bishops of England and Wales under the statute of 1511.

The Archbishop of Canterbury issued licences to practise medicine and surgery within his diocese of Canterbury, and also throughout the province of Canterbury, an area which comprised England south of the Humber, and the whole of Wales. In Berkshire, licences were granted by the Archbishop to Richard Baker of Twyford, Thomas Pope of Abingdon, John Rider of Newbury and George Deane of Wokingham, to name but a few.

[Check out the full list](#)

And last but by no means the least ...



1921 Census – the much awaited update

Finally, the news is out – **Findmypast has been selected to be The National Archives' commercial partner to make the 1921 census available online.**

It will be published online by Findmypast in January 2022.

Taken on 19th June 1921, the census contains detailed information on almost 38 million individuals. It provides greater detail than any previous census as, in addition to the questions asked in 1911, the 1921 returns also asked householders to record:

- place of employment
- industry they worked in
- materials they worked with
- employer's name

This Census will be meticulously pored over by family historians for two reasons. First, because of the Great War and the tragic impact on so many families; and second, the 1931 census returns were completely destroyed in a fire in 1942 (not by hostile action but possibly by a discarded cigarette butt from one of the firewatchers who were there to protect the archive!)

The 1941 Census was not taken, although we have the 1939 Register taken in preparation for war. So, after 1921 the next full Census was not until 1951, creating a thirty-year drought.

[Find out more](#)



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