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The British Jesuit Archives collects, preserves and makes available records concerning the Jesuits in Britain. The Archives primarily holds material relating to the Jesuits in Britain including records of the Provincial Curia, Jesuit communities, parishes, Province works, personal papers, and material relating to the overseas missionary work of the Province including South Africa and

Guyana, as well as a large rare books collection. The presentation will begin with an overview of the collection and then consider some of the ways by which the archives has been sharing its contents and raising its profile over the past few years, whilst highlighting some of the items of potential interest to researchers.

Rebecca Somerset has served as the Province Archivist for the Jesuits in Britain since 2014, where she oversees the management of the British Jesuit Archives. She is a qualified Archivist with an MLitt in Archives and Records Management and is a registered member of the Archives and Records Association. Rebecca is committed to ensuring the acquisition, preservation, security, and accessibility of archival materials, while delivering high-quality archival services. Her focus on enhancing public access to the collections is demonstrated through a variety of initiatives, including exhibitions, blog posts, podcasts, and social media. With experience working for other Catholic religious orders, Rebecca brings a wealth of expert knowledge to her role, contributing to the broader field of archival practice and the promotion of the Jesuit heritage.

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