

# Croagh Patrick Home

1929 – 1969

## Details

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The Croagh Patrick Home was established in 1929 in Orange, in central western New South Wales. From 1929 to 1969 the home was operated as a boys' home by the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul. In 1969, the operation of the orphanage was taken over by the Sisters of Mercy, Bathurst Congregation. The home became known as Croagh Patrick Orphanage.

The building was erected in 1883 and was called Llanillo. It was the private home of Edwin Hurst Lane, whose family occupied it until 1914. It was then purchased by the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst and renamed Croagh Patrick.

From May 1914 until 1928 Croagh Patrick was a novitiate conducted by the Patrician Brothers. In September 1928 Bishop Norton of Bathurst decided to establish an orphanage for boys at Croagh Patrick, and requested that the daughters of Charity take on the responsibility of caring for the boys. On 12 November eight Sisters took up residence, and the building was blessed by the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Cattaneo, on 6 December. The first boys, four brothers, arrived at the Home on 1 January 1929. The Home cared for boys up to about twelve years old. As boys completed primary school they were transferred to St Vincent's Westmead, although a few went to Kendall Grange at Morisset. The Daughters of Charity left Croagh Patrick in 1969, handing over to the Sisters of Mercy.

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**Croagh Patrick Home**

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## More info

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### Chronology

- **Croagh Patrick Home (1929 – 1969)**
  - Croagh Patrick Orphanage (1969 - 1986)

### Related Entries

**Run by**

- [Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul \(1926 - current\)](#)

Date: 1928 - 1969

### Related Organisations

- [Kendall Grange \(1948 - 2000\)](#)

Some boys from Croagh Patrick were sent to Kendall Grange.

- [St Vincent's Boys' Home \(1891 - 1985\)](#)

Boys who completed primary school at Croagh Patrick Home were often sent to St Vincent's Boys' Home to complete their secondary education.

## Resources

- Australian Catholic Social Welfare Commission and the Australian Conference of Leaders of Religious Institutes, *A piece of the story : national directory of records of Catholic organisations caring for children separated from families*, November 1999

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Croagh Patrick Orphanage Records \(1929 - 1981\)](#)
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