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Detective Sargeant D.G.Treneman
Rockhampton Criminal
Investigation Branch
Police Station
Cnr Bolsover & Denham Streets,
ROCKHAMPTON. QLD. 4700.

Dear Detective Trenaman,

As requested, I write to inform you that Father J Anderson was a priest of the Rockhampton Diocese, and I enclose the following information from material in the Diocesan Archives, as contained in the panegyric preached by Bishop Benjamin of Townsville.

Born at Knockdrin, Co. Offaly, Ireland, he was ordained a priest in June 1932, arriving in the diocese in December 1932.

In 1933 and 1934 he served in the Cathedral parish of Rockhampton.

From 1935 to 1939 he served as curate to Monsignor Mulcahy in Mackay, followed by three years in the Dawson Valley.

In 1942 he was appointed to the Parish of Neerkoll, close to Rockhampton. Neerkoll was centered on Meteor Park, an orphanage and cattle property, which was to become his life for the next 22 Years..

He was parish priest of Barcaldine for a further nine years, and then ended his life in the Parish of South Mackay, where he died on 31st of August, 1986, and his body was interred in the Mackay cemetery.

Hoping this is the information you require,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Terry Punzell(Fr.)
Diocesan Archivist.