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**ROSE WINDOW BY HARRY CLARKE IN THE CHAPEL OF ST. MARY'S
DOMINICAN CONVENT, FALLS ROAD, BELFAST**

Harry Patrick Clark (Harry) Clarke (1889-1932) probably one of Ireland's foremost stained glass artists was married to the distinguished Newry born artist Margaret Crilley who cared for him with his illness during their short married life.

The Chapel was dedicated on Sunday 5 October 1930 with some distinguished Church dignitaries and at least one prominent politician present. Amongst those were Cardinal Joseph Mac Rory, Bishop Daniel Mageean of Down and Connor and Joseph Devlin MP. The report in the next day's Irish News gives a detailed report of the ceremony and the furnishings of the Chapel but makes little or no mention of the window!

The photograph was taken with the kind permission of Sister Catherine, Prioress of St. Catherine's Convent and accompanying information supplied by the Convent archivist Patricia Kernaghan. Our sincerest gratitude goes out to them both.

In order to view the window it would be necessary to seek the permission of the Dominican Sisters, St. Catherine's, 133 Falls Road, Belfast BT12 6AD.

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