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Unlike monks and nuns, clergy have hitherto been sidelined in accounts of the Middle Ages, but they played an important role in medieval society. This first broad-ranging study in English of the secular clergy examines how ordination provided a framework for clerical life cycles and outlines the influence exerted on secular clergy by monastic ideals before tracing typical career paths for clerics. Concentrating on northern France, England and Germany in the period *c.*800–*c.*1200, Julia Barrow explores how entry into the clergy usually occurred in childhood, with parents making decisions for their sons, although other relatives, chiefly clerical uncles, were also influential. By comparing two main types of family structure, Barrow supplies an explanation of why Gregorian reformers faced little serious opposition in demanding an end to clerical marriage in the eleventh and twelfth centuries. Changes in educational provision *c.*1100 also help to explain growing social and geographical mobility among clerics.

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Abbreviations

Archives and libraries

A-D	Archives départementales
Bodl.	Oxford, Bodleian Library

Publications

<i>AASS</i>	<i>Acta Sanctorum quotquot toto orbe coluntur, vel a catholicis scriptoribus celebrantur</i> , ed. Jean Bolland, 66 vols. in 67 (Brussels, 1863–1925)
Alcuin, <i>Ep.</i>	<i>Alcuini sive Albini epistolae</i> , in <i>Epistolae Karolini Aevi</i> , II, ed. Ernst Dümmler, MGH Epp. (Berlin, 1895), 1–493
<i>ANS</i>	<i>Anglo-Norman Studies</i>
<i>Antiquus cartularius</i>	<i>Antiquus cartularius ecclesiae Baiocensis (Livre Noir)</i> , ed. Valentin Bourrienne, 2 vols. (Rouen and Paris, 1902–3)
<i>ASC</i>	<i>Anglo-Saxon Chronicle</i>
<i>ASE</i>	<i>Anglo-Saxon England</i>
BAACT	British Archaeological Association Conference Transactions
Bede, <i>HE</i>	<i>Bede’s Ecclesiastical History of the English People</i> , ed. and tr. Bertram Colgrave and R.A.B. Mynors (Oxford, 1969)
<i>Cartulaire d’Amiens</i>	<i>Cartulaire du chapitre de la cathédrale d’Amiens</i> , ed. Joseph Roux, 2 vols., Mémoires de la Société des antiquaires de Picardie: Documents inédits concernant la province, 14, 18 (Amiens and Paris, 1905–12)

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<i>Cartulaire d'Angers</i>	<i>Cartulaire noir de la cathédrale d'Angers</i> , ed. Charles Urseau (Paris, 1908)
<i>Cartulaire d'Arras</i>	<i>Le cartulaire du chapitre d'Arras</i> , ed. Auguste de Loisne (Arras, 1896)
<i>Cartulaire d'Autun</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'église d'Autun</i> , ed. Anatole de Charmasse (Paris and Autun, 1865)
<i>Cartulaire de Béthune</i>	<i>Le cartulaire de Saint-Barthélemy de Béthune</i> , ed. Auguste de Loisne, Société des antiquaires de la Morinie (Saint-Omer, 1895)
<i>Cartulaire de Chartres</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Notre-Dame de Chartres</i> , ed. Eugène de Lépinos and Lucien Merlet, 3 vols. (Chartres, 1862–5)
<i>Cartulaire de Compiègne</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'Abbaye de Saint-Corneille de Compiègne</i> , ed. Émile-Épiphanius Morel, Société historique de Compiègne, 3 vols. (Montdidier and Paris, 1904–9)
<i>Cartulaire de Langres</i>	<i>Cartulaire du chapitre cathédral de Langres</i> , ed. Hubert Flammarion, Atelier de recherche sur les textes médiévaux, 7 (Turnhout, 2004)
<i>Cartulaire de Lille</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'église collégiale Saint-Pierre de Lille</i> , ed. Édouard Hautcoeur, 2 vols. (Lille and Paris, 1894)
<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier (Dunois)</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier pour le Dunois</i> , ed. Émile Mabilie (Châteaudun, 1874)
<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier (Perche)</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier pour le Perche</i> , ed. Philibert Barret (Mortagne, 1894)
<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier (Vendômois)</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Marmoutier pour le Vendômois</i> , ed. Charles-Auguste de Trémault (Paris and Vendôme, 1893)
<i>Cartulaire d'Orléans</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Sainte-Croix d'Orléans (814–1300)</i> , ed. Joseph Thillier and Eugène Jarry (Orléans, 1906)
<i>Cartulaire de l'église Notre-Dame de Paris</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'église Notre-Dame de Paris</i> , ed. Benjamin Guérard, 4 vols. (Paris, 1850)
<i>Cartulaire de Redon</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'abbaye de Redon en Bretagne</i> , ed. Aurélien de Courson (Paris, 1863)

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	<i>Cartulaire de Saint-Pierre de Troyes</i>	<i>Cartulaire de Saint-Pierre de Troyes. Cartulaire de la collégiale Saint-Urbain de Troyes</i> , ed. Charles Lalore, Collection des principaux cartulaires du diocèse de Troyes, 5 (Paris and Troyes, 1880)
	<i>Cartulaire Saint-Lambert</i>	<i>Cartulaire de l'église Saint-Lambert de Liège</i> , ed. S. Bormans and E. Schoolmeesters, 6 vols. (Brussels, 1893–1933)
	<i>Cartulaire de l'Yonne</i>	<i>Cartulaire général de l'Yonne</i> , ed. Maximilien Quantin, 2 vols. (Auxerre, 1854–60)
	<i>Cartulaires de Grenoble</i>	<i>Cartulaires de l'église cathédrale de Grenoble</i> , ed. J. Marion (Paris, 1869)
	<i>Cartulaires de Térouane</i>	<i>Cartulaires de l'église de Térouane</i> , ed. Théodore Duchet and Arthur Giry, Société des antiquaires de la Morinie (Saint-Omer, 1881)
	Charte ARTEM/CMJS	<i>Chartes originales antérieures à 1121 conservées en France</i> , ed. Cédric Giraud, Jean-Baptiste Renault and Benoît-Michel Tock (Nancy, Centre de Médiévisitque Jean Schneider, and Orléans, Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes, 2010), at www.cn-telma.fr/originaux/index , consulted 31 March 2014
	<i>Chartularium ecclesiae Cenomannensis</i>	<i>Chartularium insignis ecclesiae Cenomannensis quod dicitur Liber Albus Capituli</i> , ed. A. Cauvin (Le Mans, 1869)
	CCM	<i>Cahiers de civilisation médiévale</i>
	CCCM	Corpus Christianorum, Continuatio Mediaevalis
	CCSL	Corpus Christianorum, Series Latina
	CS I	<i>Councils and Synods, with Other Documents Relating to the English Church, I: A.D. 871–1204</i> , ed. Dorothy Whitelock, Martin Brett and C.N.L. Brooke, 2 parts (Oxford, 1981)
	DACL	<i>Dictionnaire d'archéologie chrétienne et de liturgie</i> , ed. Fernand Cabrol, Henri Leclerc and Henri Marrou, 15 vols. (Paris, 1907–53)
	DB	Domesday Book
	DHGE	<i>Dictionnaire d'histoire et de géographie ecclésiastiques</i> , ed. Alfred Baudrillart and Roger Aubert, 30 vols. to date, in progress (Paris, 1912–)

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<i>DTC</i>	<i>Dictionnaire de théologie catholique</i> , ed. Alfred Vacant, Eugène Mangenot and Émile Amann, 15 vols. in 34 (1930–50)
<i>EEA</i>	<i>English Episcopal Acta</i> , British Academy, 44 vols. to date, in progress (London, 1980–6; Oxford, 1988–)
<i>EHR</i>	<i>English Historical Review</i>
Enlarged RC	Enlarged Rule of Chrodegang
<i>Fasti</i>	<i>Fasti Ecclesiae Anglicanae 1066–1300</i> , ed. D.E. Greenway (I–VII and X), J.S. Barrow (VIII), M. Pearson (IX), Christopher Brooke, Jeffrey Denton and Diana Greenway (XI) (London 1968–2011)
FEG	<i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 1: <i>Diocèse d’Amiens</i> , ed. Pierre Desportes and Hélène Millet (Turnhout, 1996); <i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 3: <i>Diocèse de Reims</i> , ed. Pierre Desportes (Turnhout, 1998); <i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 7: <i>Diocèse d’Angers</i> , ed. Jean-Michel Matz and François Comte (Turnhout, 2003); <i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 9: <i>Diocèse de Sées</i> , ed. Pierre Desportes, Jean-Pascal Foucher, Françoise Loddé and Laurent Vallière (Turnhout, 2005); <i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 11: <i>Diocèse de Sens</i> , ed. Vincent Tabbagh (Turnhout, 2009); <i>Fasti Ecclesiae Gallicanae</i> , 12: <i>Diocèse d’Autun</i> , ed. Jacques Madignier (Turnhout, 2010)
<i>Gallia Christiana</i>	<i>Gallia Christiana in provincias ecclesiasticas distributa</i> , ed. Denis de Sainte-Marthe and continued by B. Hauréau, 16 vols. (Paris, 1716–1865)
<i>HMC Wells</i>	<i>Calendar of the Manuscripts of the Dean and Chapter of Wells</i> , 2 vols., Historical Manuscripts Commission (London, 1907–14)
IC	<i>Institutio Canoniorum</i> (Rule of Aachen): <i>Concilia Aevi Karolini</i> , ed. Albert Werminghoff, 2 parts, MGH Concilia, 2 (Hanover and Leipzig, 1906–8), i, 308–421

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<i>JEH</i>	<i>Journal of Ecclesiastical History</i>
Lesne, <i>Les écoles</i>	Émile Lesne, <i>Histoire de la propriété ecclésiastique en France</i> , V: <i>Les écoles</i> (Lille, 1940)
<i>Lincoln Statutes</i>	<i>Statutes of Lincoln Cathedral</i> , ed. Henry Bradshaw and Christopher Wordsworth, 2 vols. in 3 parts (Cambridge, 1892–7)
<i>LMA</i>	<i>Lexikon des Mittelalters</i> , 9 vols. (Munich, 1980–98)
Mansi	<i>Sacrorum conciliorum nova et amplissima collectio</i> , ed. Giovanni Domenico Mansi, completed by Louis Petit and Jean-Baptiste Martin, 54 vols. in 59 (repr. Graz 1960–1 from Paris 1901 edition)
MGH	Monumenta Germaniae Historica
MGH <i>Capitularia</i>	<i>Capitularia regum Francorum</i> , ed. Alfred Boretius, 2 vols., MGH Leges, 2 (Hanover, 1883–97)
MGH <i>Capit. ep.</i>	<i>Capitula Episcoporum</i> , ed. Peter Brommer, Rudolf Pokorny and Martina Stratmann, MGH, 4 vols. (Hanover, 1984–2005)
MGH <i>Conc.</i>	<i>Concilia Aevi Karolini</i> , ed. Albert Werminghoff, 2 parts, MGH Concilia, 2 (Hanover and Leipzig, 1906–8)
MGH DD	MGH Diplomata regum et imperatorum Germaniae
MGH Epp.	MGH Epistolae
MGH SRG	MGH Scriptores rerum Germanicarum
MGH SRM	MGH Scriptores rerum Merovingicarum
MGH SS	MGH Scriptores (in folio)
<i>Mon. Boica</i>	<i>Monumenta Boica</i> , 60 vols. (Munich, 1763–1956)
<i>MUB</i>	<i>Mainzer Urkundenbuch</i> , ed. M. Stimming and Peter Acht, 2 vols. in 3 (Darmstadt, 1931–71)
<i>NCMH</i> , II	<i>The New Cambridge Medieval History</i> , II: c.700–c.900, ed. Rosamond McKitterick (Cambridge, 1995)
<i>NCMH</i> , III	<i>The New Cambridge Medieval History</i> , III: c.900–c.1024, ed. Timothy Reuter (Cambridge, 1999)

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<i>OB Utrecht</i>	<i>Oorkondenboek van het Sticht Utrecht tot 1301</i> , ed. S. Muller and A.C. Bouman, 5 vols. in 7 (Utrecht 1920)
<i>ODNB</i>	<i>Oxford Dictionary of National Biography</i> , ed. H.C.G. Matthew and Brian Harrison, 60 vols. plus index of contributors (Oxford, 2004)
<i>OV</i>	<i>The Ecclesiastical History of Orderic Vitalis</i> , ed. and tr. Marjorie Chibnall, 6 vols. (Oxford, 1969–80)
<i>PG</i>	<i>Patrologiae cursus completus, accurante J.-P. Migne, Series Graeca</i> , 161 vols. in 167 (Paris, 1857–1904)
<i>PL</i>	<i>Patrologiae cursus completus, accurante J.-P. Migne, Series Latina</i> , 221 vols. (Paris, 1844–65)
<i>RB</i>	Rule of Benedict
<i>RC</i>	Rule of Chrodegang
<i>Rev. bén.</i>	<i>Revue bénédictine</i>
<i>RHE</i>	<i>Revue d'histoire ecclésiastique</i>
<i>RRAN</i>	<i>Regesta regum anglo-normannorum, 1066–1154</i> , ed. H.W.C. Davis, H.A. Cronne and R.H.C. Davis, 4 vols. (Oxford, 1913–69)
<i>RRAN: William I</i> , ed. Bates	<i>Regesta regum anglo-normannorum: The Acta of William I (1066–1087)</i> , ed. David Bates (Oxford, 1998)
<i>RS</i>	Rolls Series
<i>RSO</i>	<i>Vetus registrum Sarisberiense, alias dictum Registrum Sancti Osmundi</i> , ed. W.H. Rich Jones, Rolls Series, 78, 2 vols. (London, 1883–4)
<i>S</i>	<i>Anglo-Saxon Charters: An Annotated List and Bibliography</i> , ed. P.H. Sawyer, Royal Historical Society Guides and Handbooks, 8 (London, 1968)
<i>UB Halberstadt</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch des Hochstifts Halberstadt und seiner Bischöfe</i> , ed. Gustrav Schmidt, 4 vols. (Osnabrück, 1883–9)
<i>UB Hildesheim</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch des Hochstifts Hildesheim und seiner Bischöfe</i> , ed. Karl Janicke and Hermann Hoogeweg, 6 vols. (Leipzig, 1896–1911)

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<i>UB Magdeburg</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch des Erzstifts Magdeburg</i> , I, ed. Friedrich Israel and Walter Möllenberg (Magdeburg, 1937)
<i>UBMRh</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch zur Geschichte der jetzt die preussischen Regierungsbezirke Coblenz und Trier bildenden mittelrheinischen Territorien</i> , ed. H. Beyer, L. Eltester and A. Goerz, 3 vols. (Koblenz, 1860–74)
<i>UB Naumburg</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch des Hochstifts Naumburg</i> , I, ed. Felix Rosenfeld (Magdeburg, 1925)
<i>UBNRh</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch für die Geschichte des Niederrheins</i> , ed. Theodor Josef Lacomblet, 4 vols. (Düsseldorf, 1840–58)
<i>UB Osnabrück</i>	<i>Osnabrücker Urkundenbuch</i> , ed. Friedrich Philippi and Max Bär, 4 vols. (Osnabrück, 1892–1902)
<i>UB Speyer</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch zur Geschichte der Bischöfe zu Speyer</i> , ed. Franz Xaver Remling, 2 vols. (Mainz, 1852–3)
<i>UB Strassburg</i>	<i>Urkundenbuch der Stadt Strassburg</i> , I, ed. Wilhelm Wiegand (Strasbourg, 1879)
<i>VCH</i>	<i>Victoria History of the Counties of England</i> , ed. H. Arthur Doubleday, William Page, Louis F. Salzman, Ralph B. Pugh, Christopher Elrington and others, many volumes, in progress (London and Westminster, 1900–34; London, 1935–75; Oxford, 1976–2002; Woodbridge, 2003–)
<i>Westf. UB</i>	<i>Westfälisches Urkundenbuch</i> , 11 vols., in progress (Münster, 1847 to date); I–II published under the title <i>Regesta historiae Westfaliae: accedit codex diplomaticus</i> , ed. H.A. Erhard (Münster, 1847–51), III: <i>Die Urkunden des Bisthums Münster 1201–1300</i> , ed. Roger Wilmans (Münster, 1871); IV: <i>Die Urkunden des Bistums Paderborn 1201–1300</i> , ed. Roger Wilmans (Münster, 1874); VI: <i>Die Urkunden des Bistums Minden vom Jahre 1201–1300</i> , ed. Hermann Hoogeweg (Münster, 1898)

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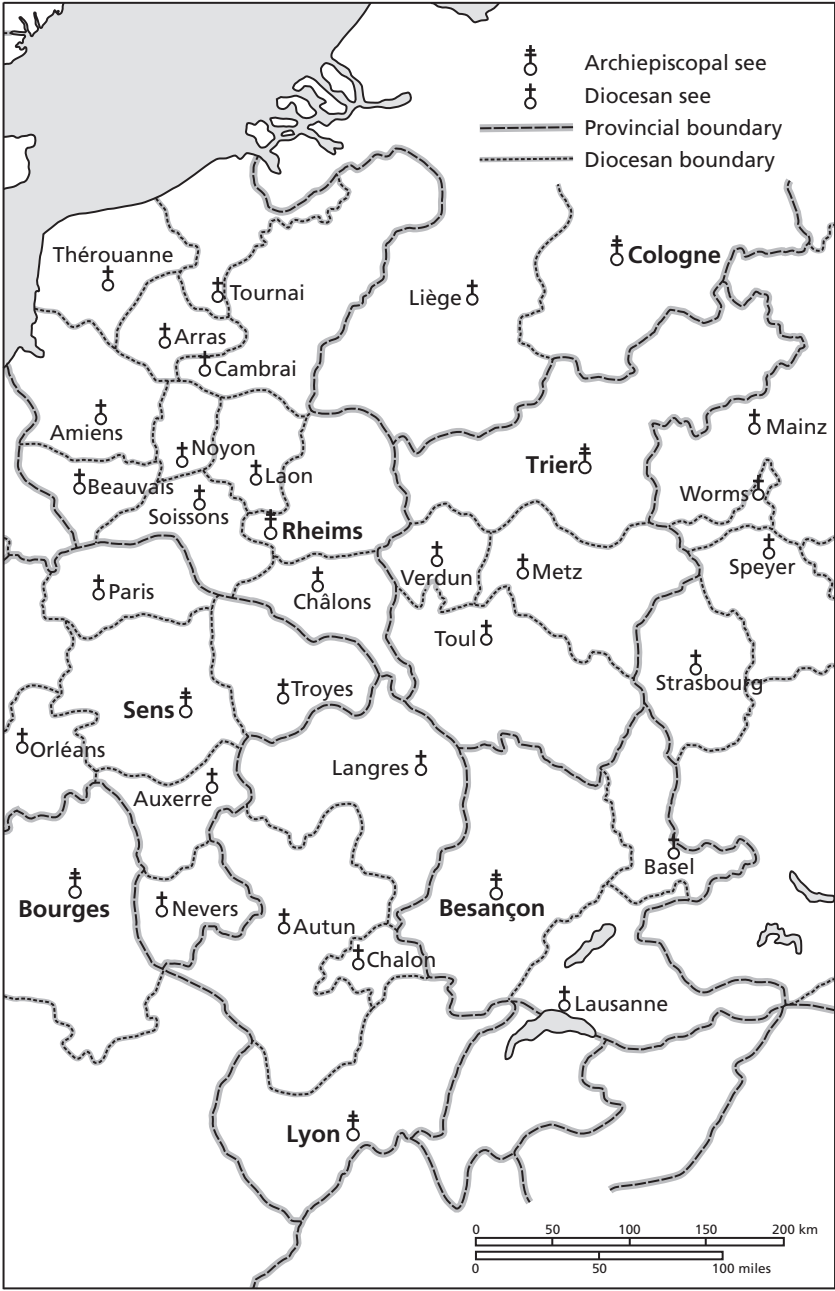
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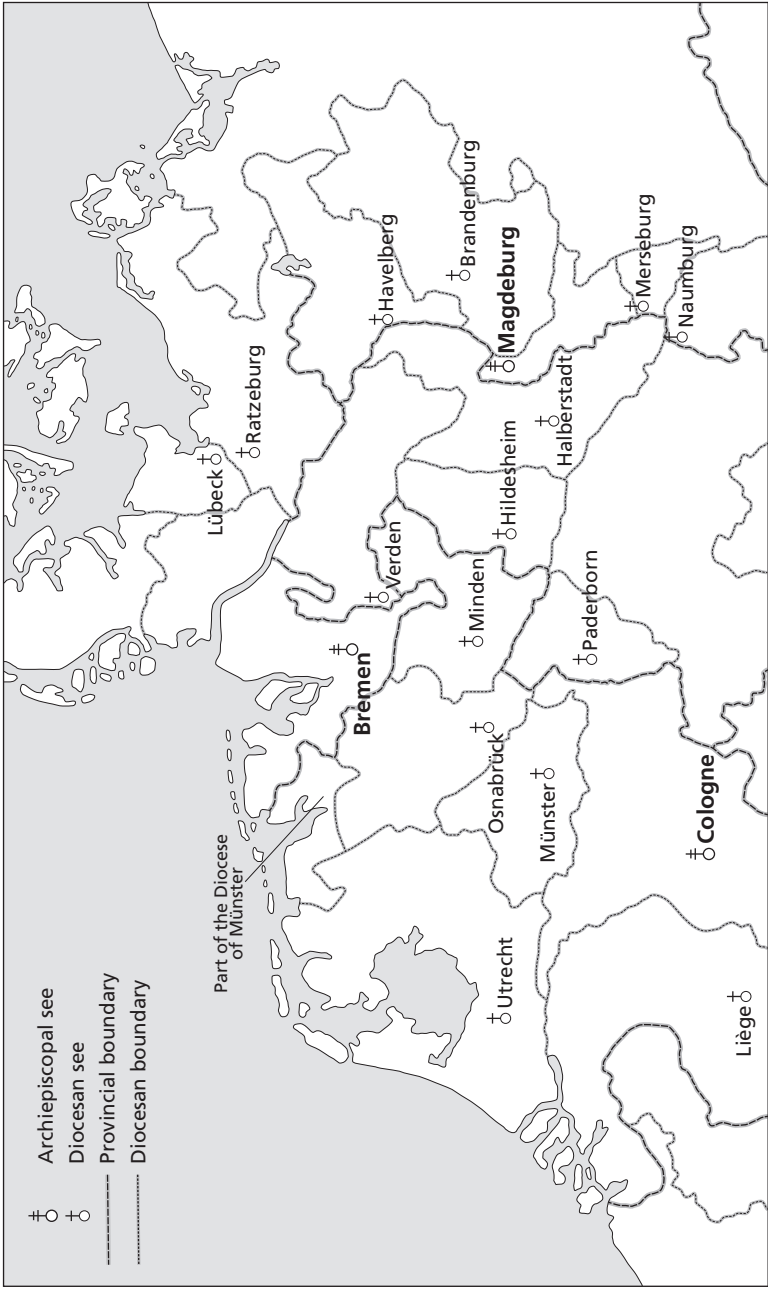
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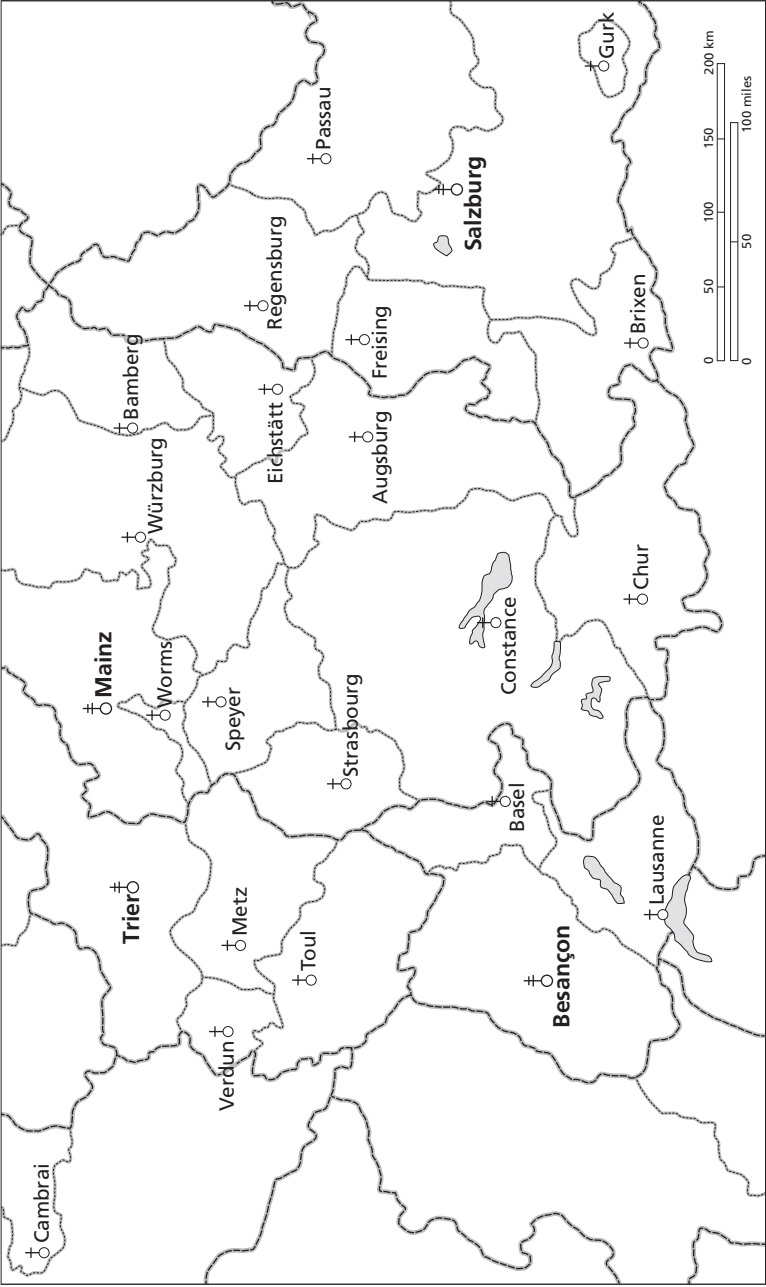
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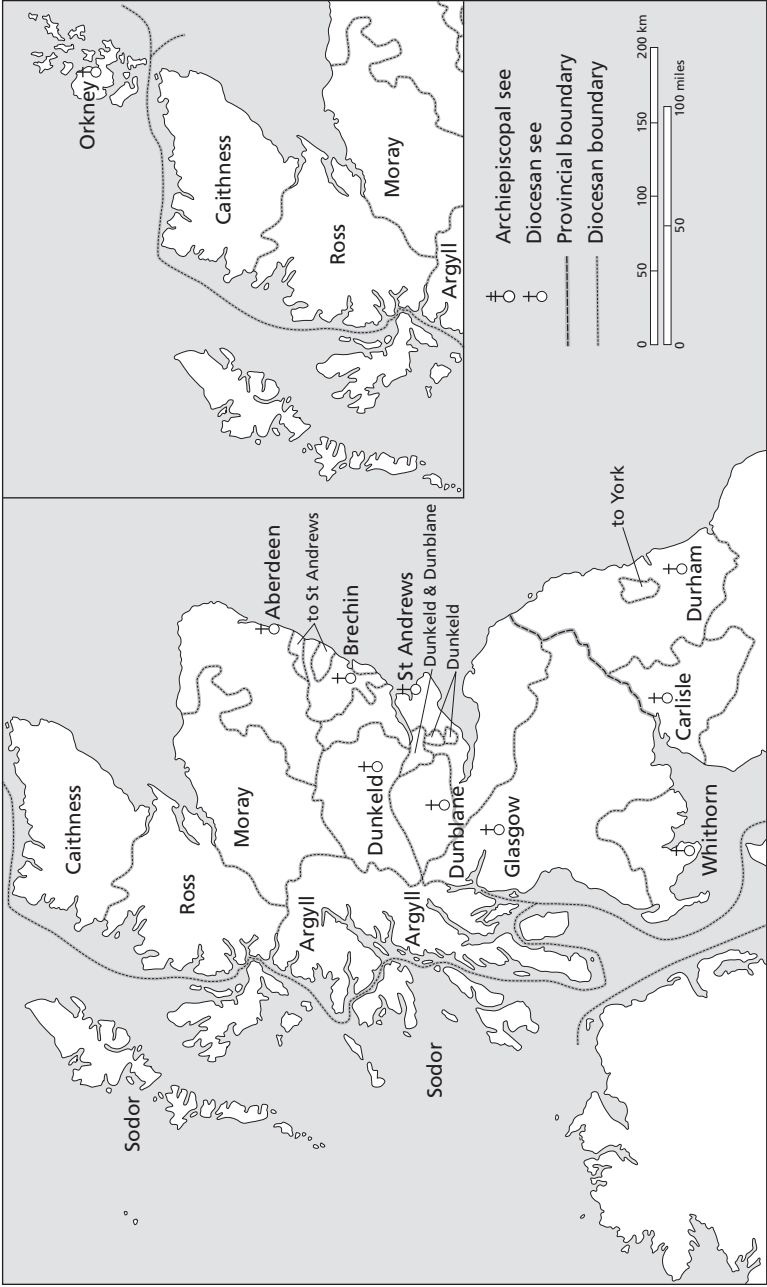




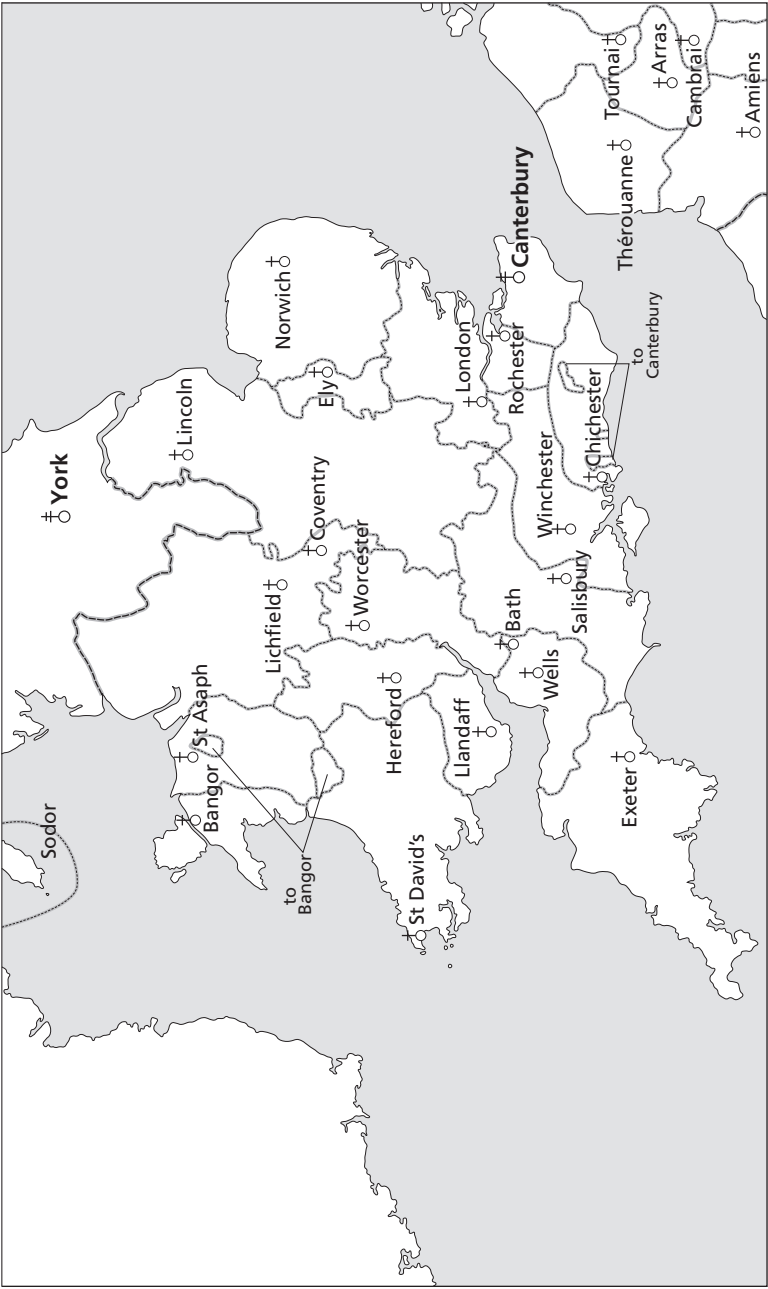


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