### Institute Prizes

A number of prizes are available, mostly from endowments made by past benefactors.

Bishop George Quin Memorial Prize

This prize was founded in memory of Bishop George Quin, who died in August 1990, by his family. It is to be awarded ‘to the student who in the opinion of the Director of the Theological Institute has made a significant contribution to the life of the Theological Institute thereby enhancing the fellowship of staff and students’. The value is determined annually by the House of Bishops on the advice of the RCB, which is the trustee of the Fund.

Carrowdore Exhibition Prize

This prize is awarded annually by the incumbent and members of the select vestry of the parish of Carrowdore, diocese of Down, for an essay set by the Director of The Church of Ireland Theological Institute on a theme relating to rural ministry. Valued at £500, it will be awarded on the recommendation of a member of the institute staff, an external examiner appointed by the Director and the incumbent of Carrowdore. The essay title will be set at the beginning of the Hilary term and submitted by the first day of the Trinity term.

Carson & Wallace Memorial Exhibition

This prize was founded in 1891 by a gift from Joseph Carson, Fellow of TCD, 1837-98, and The Wallace Exhibition, founded in 1899 by a gift from William Wallace. They are awarded to students of limited means at the discretion of and on the nomination of the Director and the Archbishop of Dublin. In recent years the tradition has been that the income from these funds has been awarded to married students with families.

Downes Divinity Premium Fund

This fund was founded in 1797 by a bequest from Dive Downes. Each term three prizes may be awarded, one in each year. In the Michaelmas and Hilary terms, the prizes are awarded on the basis of essays on contemporary subjects set by the Director, and in Trinity Term for extemporary speaking on subjects set by the Director. The value varies slightly depending on the investment income, but in recent years it has averaged around €350.

Elrington Theological Prize Fund

This prize was founded in 1837 by subscription in memory of Thomas Elrington, Provost of Trinity 1811-20. An annual prize of €76 may be awarded to a final year student for the essay which achieves the highest mark in Anglicanism.

Isaac Corkey Prize

In 1964 Miss A. Corkey of Belfast bequeathed €1,270 to be invested to provide an annual prize to a first year student for proficiency in Greek.

Kyle Irish Prize

This prize was founded in 1852 in memory of Samuel Kyle, Provost 1820-

31. It is offered annually on the result of an examination in Irish for divinity students in Trinity Term. It is competed for by candidates from dioceses in priority as follows: (1) Cork, Cloyne and Ross, (2) Limerick, Ardfert and Aghadoe, Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clonfert, Kilmacduagh and Emly, (3) Tuam, Killala and Achonry, (4) Raphoe. Failing these, candidates are to be accepted from any other part of Ireland. Students may compete for this prize at any time during their divinity course, and if they obtain the prize may compete again the following year, but not oftener. A student cannot hold it for more than two years. Course Irish composition and comprehension. Text: Cosslett O Cuinn, B.D., *Tiomna Nua*.

Literature Committee Prize for Excellent Dissertation

This prize, awarded at the decision of the External Examiner, provides for the publication of one excellent dissertation per academic year. The choice of dissertation for the Literature Committee Prize should be based primarily on its academic excellence across the three integrated fields of ministerial, biblical and theological disciplines. As the publication is aimed at a theologically literate group of experienced practitioners, the choice should also be based on the following additional criteria: 1. The subject matter should as far as possible address an issue of current major concern in the life of the Christian churches and communities in Ireland. 2. The dissertation should be accessible and readable, as free as possible from cliché and jargon.

McCombe Memorial Exhibition

This was established in 1990 in memory of Arthur Hill McCombe and Isaac Hill McCombe. It provides some income for students, on the nomination of the Director, to attend appropriate courses or conferences outside the Theological Institute, or to pursue research in some branch of theological study approved by the Director. It has been used mainly to assist students to travel to conferences or study tours abroad.

Moncrieff Cox Memorial Fund

This prize was founded in 1933 by subscription in memory of John Frank Moncrieff Cox, and is awarded to the final year student who shall have composed the best sermon on a subject set at the end of Hilary Term by the Principal. The value fluctuates slightly, the annual income being between €50 - €63.

Longfield Divinity Exhibition

The Rt. Hon. M. Longfield, LL.D, gave four sums of €1,520 each to the Representative Church Body in trust to pay €60 a year to four Divinity students who shall be sons of clergymen, and who shall be appointed by the Bishop of Cork or his successors, and who shall he studying Divinity in Trinity College, or some other Divinity School approved by the said Bishop, with a view to obtaining orders in the Church of Ireland. The Principal is usually invited to submit the relevant names to the bishop before the end of March each year.

John Purser Shortt Prize

This prize was founded in 1970 from the funds of the bequest from Canon

J. P. Shortt, and is awarded annually to the student obtaining the highest marks in the paper on liturgy in the second year.

Weir Prize

This was founded in 1921 by a bequest from Edward Henry Weir. It is awarded to the student in each year who shall have shown merit. The current value is about €101 for each prizewinner.