ANTIBURGHER CHURCH
AANHS, 5, p.1271800.

ASH, F9.10.1903, 2e — [John Smith, .. Saltcoats 60 Years Ago]. [In the 1830s one of 4 churches in Saltcoats - Parish, A-B, B, and Relief]. "The Anti-Burgher, where Mr Ronald ministered, stood where the gas work now is".

ARDROSSAN PARISH CHURCH (3), now NORTH AYRSHIRE MUSEUM

List 1 — 1744, 3rd parish church for Ardrossan, storm damaged and rebuilt 1774. Rectangular rubble-built church with pedimented projection and belfry at west. Used continuously from 1776 to 1908. Since 1957 North Ayrshire Museum. Ref: Hay, 248. B

Hay — Secularized, Central feature is merely a pedimented projection surmounted by a pleasant belfry.

ASH, Sa 9.6.1877, 4d — "We observe that this structure is at present undergoing several internal improvements; and it may not be considered out of place to lay before our readers an extract from a work which was privately printed in Glasgow in 1828 and is very little known - "The Parish Churches and Burying Grounds of Ayrshire". 'The Parish Church now stands in the town of Saltcoats. It was built in 1773, the edifice erected in 1744 having been so much damaged by a tempest as to render the erection of a new building in another and then still much more populous quarter necessary. It is a very homely structure, of an oblong form, with a deep roof, and irregularly shaped windows, and is still farther deformed by coarse gallery stairs attached to the north side wall and the two gables. The south or principal elevation is broken by a slight projection in the centre, which is covered with a pediment, surmounted by a small belfry. Beneath the belfry is an obliterated sundial and below it again is a stone bearing the following inscription in Latin, composed by Mr Robert Clark, who was parish schoolmaster for a period of 50 years extending from 1749 till 1799: Post varios casus dum in aliis locus situm, HocTemplum tum demum his extructum Anno MDCCXLIV. Interjecto deinde tempore cum nimborum procellarumque soevitia in ruinas fere conquaseatum funditas denuo renovatum erat Anno MDCCLXXIII. Et post XII annos laqueari novo exornatum, viz Anno MDCCLXXXV.

'Of the interior of the church nothing more need be said than that it is in perfect keeping with the exterior. But though thus summarily characterised, it might be deemed inexcusable to pass over unnoticed its only ornamental accessory - the model of the Caledonian frigate, suspended from the centre of the ceiling - albeit we are not qualified to give an opinion of its merits. It was the workmanship and gift in 1800 (as a brass plate affixed to one of the window sides acquaints us) of Mr William Dunlop, late gunner's mate on board of His Majesty's ship St Joseph. In addition to this gift of a mimic war-ship to the kirk, it may be mentioned that the following more appropriate benefactions to the poor are likewise recorded on the wall behind the pulpit:-

'Mr Ralph Rodger, minister of the gospel in Ardrossan before the Restauration and afterwards at Kilwinning and Glasgow left to the poor of this parish £100 Scots.

'Andrew Chalmers, carter in Saltcoats, left his effects to the poor of this parish, amounting to six guineas. He dyed July 29th 1763.

'Patrick McKindly, shipmaster in Saltcoats, left to the poor of this parish £5 sterling. He dyed February 16th 1787, aged 69 years.

'Given by Nathl Norflit, 5 guineas, in memory of his aunt, Mrs Galt of Dykes, who died 28th December 1796'.

		We understand that the above bequests having become exhausted long years ago, the memorial tablets quoted were removed during extensive repairs made on the church more than 30 years ago".
CH 2/197/6	9.2.1773	Built in 1744. Roof and walls have been shattered by storm. To be rebuilt. Tradesmen to prepare plans. To have 1200 sittings.
	6.5.1773	Plans approved. To be 60' by 36', with 1100 sittings and galleries all round. Baillie **John Swan**, Kilmaurs, mason, is architect and builder.
	17.5.1785	Repair. Walls to be roughcast and pointed, interior plastered, at a cost of £72 2s 11d.
HR 748/1	15.11.1803	New West gable to be built and bellhouse removed to it. Galleries to have supports. Skews pointed &c. Tradesmen to be **Alexander Cuningham**, Kilwinning, wright, and **William McEwen**, Eglinton, mason.
	2.8.1804	Steeple to be raised 4', or as high as top of roof of the church. Copper weather cock to be placed on top. **William King**, Stevenston, mason.
Clouston		Bell of c.1804+.
HR 748/1	28.8.1823	Belfry to be repaired and new iron spire erected. **A McGill**, mason, and **John Barclay**, wright.
ASH, F9.10.1903, 2e [1830s]		[John Smith, .. Saltcoats 60 Years Ago]. [In the 1830s one of 4 churches in Saltcoats - Parish, A-B, B, and Relief].
HR 748/1	14.11.1846	Repairs and renovation. Damp course to be made in foundations. Floor renwed and reseated. Doors at side of pulpit to be built up. 2 remaining doors to be heightened. Window 8' high to be made at side of pulpit. Interior walls to be plastered. Plans have been approved. Cost £188. **James Paton**, Ayr, architect; **Lewis Fullarton**, tradesman.
HR 748/2	15.6.1876	Alterations. E and W entrance porches - doors to be moved from the porch fronts to the sides. New iron gates erected. Cost £58 5s 5d.
	13.5.1884	Belfry stonework to be repaired, pointed and cast. New ball. **Thomas Glen**. Cost, £56.
ASH 8.3.1901		Parish Church examined but not found to be totally defective by **Thomas Leadbetter**, Edinburgh, architect.
HR 748/2	21.4.1902	Plans of proposed new church on same site submitted by **Hugh Thomson**, but decision postponed as no part of the old building would survive. Est cost: £5000.
	1903	Report on condition by **J J Burnett**. Walls are 3' thick, with foundations 2'9" below ground. NW corner is racked due to interments. Belfry decayed. Porches are constructed on site of old gallery stairs, are of poor materials and bad state of repair. Roof in good condition. Gallery is of light construction, infested with wood beetle. Joists of N gallery are cut free from N wall and supported on beam placed against wall, which is in turn supported on wooden posts. Seating: 'primitive design', worn and of light scantling. Rot in woodwork at rear of pulpit where wall has been built up, and dado in NE corner also rotten.
	4.9.1906	To be altered for use as a Church Hall. **J J Burnett**, Glasgow, architect.
AA 3.12.1908		Last service last Sunday.
HR 748/2	21.3.1924	Proceeds from sale of Lecture Hall to be used to build an addition. Plans approved.
Parker, W, 96		Opened as a Museum 25th June 1957.
ASH, F 28.6.1957, 7de		Museum formally opened last Tuesday.
Anon, Saltcoats Walk		Became a museum in 1958, and taken over by Cunninghame DC 1975-6. [nr: the moving spirit was Owen Kelly]
	KIRKYARD	
Guthrie, 1869		Considerable extent. One ancient stone with inscription in Saxon or old Irish encloses full-length figure of man. Has shield over his legs with a lion rampant, another shield on breast, quartered. 2 quarters have bezants and monds. Oldest dated stone is 1694.

Ch 2/197/3	11.7.1727	Dyke to be built around perimeter of churchyard. 6' with 9' gateway. [Is this here?]
ASH, Sa 10.9.1859, 2c		An obelisk monument to Rev John Bryce is to be erected in Saltcoats Kirkyard.
ASH, Sa 22.10.1859, 2ef		Bryce monument - an Egyptian style obelisk - put up on Wednesday. Completed by Mr **Blakeley**, under the direction of Mr **Maxton**.
EG, Tu 23.11.1915		Petition by Saltcoats Town Council, under Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act 1855 to have it declared "dangerous to health, oppressive and contrary to decency." To be heard in Sheriff Court, Kilmarnock, 8th dec 1915.
	BELL	
ACC, GPSC 18.4.1952, 14		Bell from Old Ardrossan Church is at Saltcoats J.S. School, a loan from St Cuthberts Kirk Session. Arrangement to be formalised.
MANSE [1]		
1SA, 1790s, vi, 4		Ruinous. A new one to be built soon.
ASH, Sa 20.4.1867, 3c		Says built in 1746, for Rev Dow.
MANSE [2]		
CH/2/197/6	3.5 - 23.7.1793	New manse to be built "conform to the manse and office houses at Symington". Offices built at rear of the house, whereas at Symington they are built "with a circular colonnade walltwixt the manse and them forming a Court in front". Otherwise the execution is similar, but "wood and workmanship much better". **William Struthers**, Roseholm, tradesman.
ASH, Sa 20.4.1867, 3c [1792]		Built a little farther back (than 1746 manse) on the glebe lands in 1792.
AA 4.6.1835		Conts - addition to manse.
HR 748/1	15.6.1835	Alterations and additions declared complete. Cost £198 5s 10d. Contractors: **Anderson - [Peter] King**.
	14.11.-14.9.1846	Roofs of manse and offices to be releaded and reslated: walls of offices to be rebuilt. Cost: £78 16s. **James Paton**, Ayr, architect: **William Service**, tradesman.
CO3/21/22	1855-60	Ardrossan Manse, Crofthead Street, north side.
HR 748/2	22.5-11.6.1881	Addition of 2 rooms to Manse according to plans of **Thomas Glen**, mason. Cost: £147 2s.
	6.5.1889	Repairs to walls, internal renovations of floors, staircase light enlarged, kitchen flags relaid, &c. Cost: £117 13s 11d. Paterson, architect.
	27.2.1908	Small addition to kitchen at rear. General repairs and internal alterations to manse and offices. Est cost: £250. **J & J Armour**, Irvine, architects.
	BOUNDARY WALL	
CH2/197/8	15.1.1828	Glebe to be enclosed with a wall of 6', and entrance road formed.
HR 748/1	1.8.1854	New iron gates and walls to be provided by railway company.
	LODGE	
HR 748/1	14.2.1861	Lodge to be built at gate. Cost: £78 5s 3d. **William Service**, joiner, and **J & E Miller**, masons.
BAPTIST CHURCH		9 UNION STREET
	HALL	
ACC Planning, 3209		November 1945. Hall, Union Street, for Rev John Samson.

BURGHER MEETING HOUSE: see WEST U.P. (1)

CHRISTIAN BRETHREN, Dalry Road.

ACC Planning, A6068	June 1953. Hall-Church, Dalry Road, for Christian Brethren. Agent, Malcolm D Hume, 3 Barr St., Saltcoats.

Not built?

CHRISTIAN BRETHREN HALL, Ailsa Road

SVR 1965-1966	1.3.1966

EAST UP CHURCH [1]

AA 1.8.1889	Old East UP Church closed on Sunday.

EAST UP CHURCH [2]	See LANDSBOROUGH & TRINITY

ERSKINE U.F. [formerly WEST U.P. (2)][now NEW TRINITY]

ASH, Sa 5.11.1864, 4c	Countess Street UP Church have resolved to build a new church.
ASH, Sa 3.6.1865, 4f	Contractors for new U.P. Church are **Edward Millar**, mason, and **William Millar**, joiner.
Saltcoats	1866, Mr **Stewart**, Paisley, architect.
ASH, Sa 19.5.1866, 5a	"rapidly progressing towards completion".
ASH, Sa 16.6.1866, 1a	West UP Church to be f.o. 8.7.1866.
ASH, Sa 14.7.1866, 3def4de	Opened last Sunday. Article wholly concerned with speeches, &c.
ASH, Sa 17.6.1871, 4d	"On the site on which now stands the West U.P. Church there were formerly a row of thatched houses".
ASH, F30.9.1887, 4e	Memorial tablet put up this week to Rev David Ronald,†1873. White on black marble. Cumming, Ardrossan, sculptor.
BI 18/207 June 1907	Dean of Guild Court, 24.5.1907, Additions and alterations to Church Hall, Erskine UF Church.
AA 5.12.1929	Window to Rev W McN Biggam unveiled last Sunday.
Booklet "Erskine Church of Scotland: Centenary Services, 30th October 1966" (copy at Vennel), has photograph of front, ivy-covered. PHOTOCOPY herewith.	
Pamphlet, Landsborough & Trinity 1889-1989, at Glasgow Vennel	Some windows (Rev Scott, John Galloway, John and Margaret Brown, and Great War, came from Landsborough Church; Original to this church is the Morris window to Drummond Taylor.

ERSKINE [WEST UP] MANSE

Sas Min 2206 of 19.1.1867	Feu Disp, June 1866. 92F on N side of Winton Street and E side of Montgomery Place. 469.177.
ASH, Sa 17.6.1871, 4d	"... a fine manse, erected by the members of the West U.P. Church for their esteemed pastor".
ASH, F25.9.1903, 2d	"... built on the "greens", and stood alone for about ten years, till a building boom began".
VR 1927-1928	Erskine UF Manse, 1 Montgomerie Crescent.

E.U. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Hamilton Street

McNaughton	Congregation founded 1859, joined EU 1863
List 47	1863, **Lewis Fullarton**, architect. Gothic church rectangular in plan, snecked rubble. Central door under pointed arch with moulded reveals in gable end. 1 lancet over the door, 2 flanking. Urn finials on gable. 4 lancets to body of church, all windows have glazed margins. Ref: Carragher, S/coats Old & new, 1909, p.61. CS.
Escott, A History of Scottish Congregationalism, 1960, 327	Congregation formed 1859 and joined EU 1863. Church opened January 1863.
Saltcoats	1863, from plans by Mr Lewis Fullarton.
ASH, Sa 22.3.1862, 2e	E.U. congregation are contemplating a new church, on a site in Hamilton Street.
ASH, Sa 26.4.1862, 2d	Independent Congregation have taken a feu in Hamilton, on NE side.
ASH, Sa 28.6.1862, 2f	Independent Church. The mason is to be **Joseph Milnes**.

ASH, Sa 17.1.1863, 2e — Independent Church opened on Su 11.1.1863. **Lewis Fullarton**, Ardrossan, architect; **Joseph Milne**, mason, and **William Service**, joiner. Gothic, seats 340. The congregation was set up in 1859, and has taken E.U. ministerial supply since late 1860. [Arthur (see below), 1870, 73: Gaelic Independent Chapel opened in Hamilton Street in 1863. Lewis Fullerton, architect. Cost: £500]

ASH, F 8.12.1899, 5c — Hall at rear formally opened on Wednesday. No details beyond being "fairly commodious".

McNaughton — 1991, dissolved.

EU MANSE

VR 1927-28 — Albert Cottage, 35 Hamilton Street.

FREE CHURCH, Academy Street/Bradshaw Street

TT, F 24.3.1899, 2a — Reference to new booklet, compiled by E S Wilson, and printed by Mr Wallace. History of Free Church Saltcoats.

NMRS — c.1857, **Thomas Wallace**, Saltcoats. [This may be FC SCHOOL - see Public Buildings]

ASH, Sa 17.6.1871, 4d — "The next of the improvements that may be noticed are those made about a year ago on the Free Church. This church has been completely transformed, and greatly enlarged. The architecture has also been improved, and instead of the dilapidated condition in which the outside of the building previously was, the church is now enclosed by a fine railing".

FREE CHURCH MANSE, Hamilton Street

C1851 576 - 6 -42 — Hamilton St. David Landsborough, w71, F.C. Minister, Dalry KCT

CO3/21/22 1855-60 — Recorded throughout this period.

FREE GAELIC CHURCH, Ardrossan Road = SOUTH BEACH UF.

ASH, Sa 9.6.1866, 5c — Proposed new Gaelic Church. Contractors are **Edward Millar**, Saltcoats, mason, and **Hugh Reid**, Ardrossan, joiner.

ASH, Sa 25.5.1867, 1a — To be formally opened on 26.5.1867.

ASH, Sa 25.5.1867, 4e — The architect is Mr **Honeyman**, Glasgow. Contractors as in 1866 ASH ref. "handsome Gothic structure". [Arthur, 1870, 73 - see note below - says architect is John Honeyman, that it cost £900, and that the congregation worshipped in Free Church Academy until the church was completed]

ASH, sa 17.6.1871, 4d — "... a neat lttle church - the Free Gaelic -erected in 1867, at a cost of £900".

GAELIC [later NORTH (1)]

The Somerfield/Sainsbury site

2SA, 1845, 198 — Situated at W end of town. "Finished" in 1837. Gothic style with Saxon doorway 720 sittings. Cost: £1000.

Fasti — A Gaelic Church opened in Saltcoats, built c.1837, and appears to have been disused 1843 - 1872, when opened as a English-language chapel (6.8.1872). Disjoined 14.12.1906.

Arthur, 1870, 73 [A BoS ref: the full ref is not known] — A Gaelic Established Church was erected in Hamilton Street, c.1836. Congregation seceded in 1843 and continued in possession of church. It was repossessed by CoS in 1864. It cost £940.

ASH, Sa 18.1.1873, 4c — The North Church, formerly the Gaelic Church, reopened last Sabbath.

Gj 1/3/1 DoG 3.12.1906 — Vestry, North Church.

ACC Planning, A2462 — June 1950. Convert North Church into Church Hall; Robert Rennie for St Cuthbert's Church.

Review of 1970, ASH x.1.1971 — The North Church, Hamilton Street, was demolished in January 1970.

MIDDLE U.P. CHURCH

C1851 576 - 7 - 89 — Windmill Street. James Ellas, w71, minister of Middle U.P. Church, Glasgow, 2d, sv, vis (John Johnstone, w66, minister, General Assembly [ ] Church, Jersey City, US, Ecclefechan)

NORTH CHURCH MANSE

VR 1927-28 — North Parish Church Manse, 59 Caledonia Road

LANDSBOROUGH [FREE CHURCH], Findlay's Brae

Saltcoats — January 1844, **David Cousin**, Edinburgh, architect. Enlarged and spire added, from plans by **[Robert] Baldie**, Glasgow, architect, in 1869, and reopened 27.1.1870.

The Witness, 16.8.1843 — Foundation stone laid 10.8.1843.

AA 17.8.1843 — Foundation stone of Free Church laid last Thursday.

Thomas Brown, Annals of the Disruption, 1893, 254-255

[1844] — **David Cousin**, architect. Opened in January 1844.

ASH, Sa 5.6.1869, 4e — FC. To go ahead with alterations and improvements. **Robert Baldie**, Glasgow, architect.

ASH, Sa 17.7.1869, 4e — FC. Contractors to be **E Miller**, mason, and **William Service**, joiner.

ASH, Sa 29.1.1870, 4de — FC. Has been enlarged, with a spire (when it is finished). Detailed interior description. Baldie, Glasgow, architect - main contractors Miller and Service. Reopened last Thursday.

ASH, F 27.4.1888, 5b — FC. Oil portraits of most ministers since 1744 have been presented to the congregation, and placed in the church hall. Ministers include David Landsborough.

Gj 1/3/2 12.7.1909 — Church Hall, Nineyards Street, for Landsborough UF Church.

Lauchlan, SOPP, picture 5 — demolished 1972.

LANDSBOURGH FC MANSE

Ewing — 1847.

LANDSBOROUGH AND TRINITY CHURCH, Dockhead Street. [formerly TRINITY UF]

List 13 — **Baldie & Tennant**, 1889. Decorated Gothic. Rubble built with ashlar dressings. Central door under pointed arch in gable end, flanked by pairs of narrow pointed lights under continuous hoodmould. 5-light geometric traceried window above with vesica at gable head. Gabletted buttresses. Lower bay at east and west with canted angles and small pointed lights. Ref: BN, 6.8.1889. CS.

Saltcoats — 1889, Baldie and Tennant.

ASH, F 11.5.1888, 4g — UP church to be built in Dockhead Street, near the Bank of Scotland. **Baldie & Tennant**, Glasgow, architects. Main contractors are **James Miller**, Saltcoats, mason, and **James Cowan**, Saltcoats, joiner.

ASH, F 25.5.1888, 4fg — Description (EE) and sketch.

AA 31.5.1888 — East UP. Contracts have been fixed for the erection of a new church for Saltcoats East UP congregation. Early English. Over £1,800.

AA 27.9.1888 — Memorial Stone laid last Saturday.

ASH, F 28.9.1888, 4fg — Memorial Stone laid Saturday. **Baldie & Tennant**, Glasgow, architects.

AA 1.8.1889 — Old East UP closed on Sunday. The new church is to be opened on Friday 2.8.1889.

AA 8.8.1889 — Opened last Friday. The church is of ... the Early English period. The principal front is towards Dockhead Street and is divided by buttresses into a centre gable and 2 side portions, the main entrance door being in

	the centre with 2 small lancet windows on each side to light the front lobby. Over the door is a 5-light window divided by stone mullions, the top being filled with tracery of a rich design of hood moulding, and the top of the gable being finished with a stone ornamental finial. Stairs to gallery on each side of front gable are finished with octagonal ends, having side exit doors and double lancet windows above for lighting staircases and turret roofs. The back gable has two single light lancet windows, one on each side of the pulpit, filled with stained glass. The side walls have 5 lancet-headed windows in each, finished with plain splays. The ceiling is in one span, rising from side walls, having a rise in the centre from side walls of about 12 feet, with a plaster cornice at the wall head, the plaster ribs dividing the ceiling being slightly curved at the bottom and resting on moulded corbels. The pulpit is platform style, with neatly panelled front and ornamental railings. Messrs Baldie & Tennant, Glasgow, architects. Glaziers, Messrs Knox Brothers, Glasgow.
KS 10.8.1889	Very neat structure in the Gothic style of architecture of the Early English period.
Journal of Decorative Arts, ix, Supplement (October 1889), xxxviii	
	Completed in 1889. **Baldie & Tennant**, Glasgow.
BN, lvii, 200	Opened 2.8.1889. EE style. Seated for 450. Cost £2000.
[EAST U.P. MANSE]	
ASH, Sa 18.9.1869, 1a	Contractors - East UP Manse.
ASH, Sa 9.10.1869, 4d	Contractors to be James Millar, mason; James Cowan, joiner; &c.
ASH, Sa 16.7.1870, 4e	East UP Manse. "The eleganr style in which the interior is fitted up, the grandeur of conception embodied in the design, and the attractive appearance of its outward pertainings, are such as to make the building rank with the finest of private residences". Reflects credit on architect and builders, and congregation who have "so enterprisingly shown their esteem for their minister".
ASH, Sa 17.6.1871, 4d	"Adjoining the East U.P. Church a manse for the accommodation of the pastor of that congregation has shortly since been erected. This is unmistakeably the finest building in that part of the town, and much praise is due to Mr James Miller, mason, Mr Cowan, joiner, and to all those who were in any way cinnected with its erection".
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VR 1927-28	Landsborough UF Manse, 6 Montgomerie Crescent.
NEW TRINITY	see ERSKINE
NORTH PARISH CHURCH	See GAELIC
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA, Ardrossan Road. [RC]	
Aspinwall, Our Lady, 34	Land feued 1854.
Saltcoats	From plans by Mr **Baird**, Airdrie, architect. Opened 3.4.1856.
Aspinwall, Our Lady, 35	opened 13th April1856, and cost c. £2200.
Arthur, 1870, 73	Opened in 1856. Baird, Airdrie, architect. Cost, inc house: £2200.
Groome, 1884, vi, 319	Built 1856 at a cost of £2200.
AA 17.5.1855	Conts - RC Church and Manse - John Sterling Butler.
GO 16.6.1906 [1856]	Formally opened 13.4.1856, when Hall became School.
Sasine Minute 3675 of 1866	June 1866 Disp by Lord Eglinton to RC Bishop of Glasgow, &c., of 1R 36¾P on SE side of Springvale Street.
NMRS	Gives **James Ingram**, Kilmarnock, 1868, for RC Church and School, Ardrossan/Saltcoats.
GO 16.6.1906 [1890]	Alterations 1890, inc c.1890 altar by Pugin.

AA 28.8.1890		[St Mary's]. Reopened on Sunday after extensive improvements. A new altar of marble and Caen stone, designed by Messrs **Pugin & Pugin**, Westminster, has been erected. The design is Gothic, height 30'. Symmetry and richness in design in the graceful spiral columns and the rich moulding of the pinnaclesthat grace the ornate structure. Cover-panels and super-altars are of Palermo marble. Throne is of Caen stone beautifully carved and upon marble pillars. Altar table on 4 marble pillars, in front of which are panels on which are engraven in Gothic letters, *Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus*, and a representation of the symbolic lamb. The work has been skilfully executed by Mr **R J Bolton** of Cheltenham.
BN, lix, 356		Altar. Upper panels on each side represent a group of angels admiring the Blessed Sacrament. Cover panels and super-altars of Palermo marble, throne of Caen stone resting on marble pillars. Tabernacle of iron with a brass door in which there is a floral design by **Hardman & Co**., Birmingham. Painting within the sanctuary symbolic of Our Lady, Star of the Sea. The oriel windows, beyond pulpit, filled with stained glass, 1890, by **Hardman & Co**.
WS 29.8.1890		Reopened last Sunday.
GJ 1/3/1	DoG 19.3.1906	Alterations to RC Chapel, Ardrossan Road.
GO 16.6.1906		Additions and alterations include 2 stained glass windows. See Ref.
Pers inf (Father, 26.9.06)		Reopened after reorganisation 31 May 1973.

[OUR LADY PRESBYTERY]

AA 17.5.1855		Conts - RC Church and Manse - John Sterling Butler.
CO3/21/22	1856-60	In VR from 1856/57.
VR 1927-1928		10 Ardrossan Road.

RELIEF CHURCH

AANHS, 5, p.128	Erected 1782.
ASH, F9.10.1903, 2e	[John Smith, .. Saltcoats 60 Years Ago]. [In the 1830s one of 4 churches in Saltcoats - Parish, A-B, B, and Relief]. "And the Relief, where Mr Giffen ministered, was at Parkend - the east end of the town".

R.C. HALL

ASH, F4.3.1887, 4d	Plans for a Roman Catholic hall have been approved.
ASH, F29.4.1887, 4f	Opened last Friday. At junction of Union Street and Meikleyett. Built by Alexander MacIntyre, junior, Saltcoats, joiner.

ST BRENDAN'S RC CHURCH

nr	**Rennie, Watson & Starling**, Ardrossan, architects.
ASH, F 24.9.1965, 11	To be opened on Satruday. Begun in October 1962. **Robert Rennie & Watson**.
GO 1.10.1965	Formally opened 26.9.1965.
SVR 1965-1966	20/23.9.1965
n.r.	Called closed on Diocesan website, 2012.

ST CUTHBERT'S PARISH CHURCH

List 2	**P MacGregor Chalmers**, 1907. Romanesque. Rubble built church; nave with clerestory, 'choir' and 'sanctuary'. North and south aisles with paired round-arched windows, north aisle with clerestory. Buttressed west end with tall round-arched windows and shafts. 4-stage tower at south-west, belfry with 2 tall openings under round arch to each face. Pierced parapet. B.
Clouston	1911 **Wilson** bell.

BI 17/198	Sept1906	Established Church to be built on site close to Caledonian Railway Station.
HR 748/2	4.9.1906 - 24.10.1907	New church to be erected on site given by Lord Eglinton. Heritors approve of plan, but tower not to be built until funds available. Est cost: £5000. **MacGregor Chalmers**, architect.
Gj 1/3/1	DoG 27.5.1907	Church, Caledonia Road, for Ardrossan Kirk Session. [Parker, W, 19, confirms, quoting ASH 31.5.1907]
Parker, W, 15		Original plans included a spire.
Parker, W, 35		Kilwinning freestone. The builder was John Cumming.
Parker, W, 43-6		Carving of capitals by **James C Young**, Glasgow.
Parker, W, 20		First sod cut: ASH 7th June 1907
Parker, W, 27		Memorial stone laid 25th February 1908: ref, though, is ASH of same date.
AA 10.12.1908		Formally opened last Thursday. P MacGregor Chalmers, architect. White freestone from a quarry near Kilwinning. Stained glass window in chancel - work of Messrs **Bacon**, London. [Parker, W, 27: opened 3rd December 1908, ASH 4,12.1908]
B, xcvi, 20: BN, xvc, 869		Opened December 1908. Norman style.
HR 748/2	16.1.1913	Cross on NW front of church blown down last November. Design prepared for contractors by **MacGregor Chalmers**. **John Cumming**, Glasgow, builder.
	STAINED GLASS	
B, xvci, 20		Chancel window, 1908: Messrs **Bacon**, London.
Parker, W, 35-6		McIsaac window by **Percy Bacon and Brothers**, London.
AA 14.10.1920		War Memorial window unveiled last Sunday.
Letter of William Wilson to Alfred G Lochead, 6.12.1954 (ref BoSc)		Series of 16 small windows in aisles: **William Wilson**, artist, 1947.
	REREDOS	
Parker, W, 71		Quoting ASH, x.x.1929. Of Derbyshire alabaster, and made by R L Boulton & Sons,, Cheltenham.
	HALL (1)	
ACC Planning, 3115		August 1945. Temporary hut, St Cuthberts.
ACC Planning, A6828		January 1954. Alterations to Church Hall, St Cuthberts, to form hut classrooms for Saltcoats J.S. School.
	HALL (2)	
ASH F13.6.1969, 3a		Town and Country Planning Act advert for proposed church hall, Caledonia Road/Campbell Avenue, Saltcoats, for St Cuthberts South Beach Church. Agents: **Robert Rennie & Watson**, 12A Hamilton Street, Saltcoats, architects.
SVR 1970-1971		18.10.1970
ASH, F 23.10.1970, 11ab		Formally opened last Saturday. **Andrew Watson** (of Robert Rennie & Watson), architect.

SALTCOATS NORTH [1] See GAELIC

SALTCOATS NORTH CHURCH [2]

Fasti, X		Church, 1965.
nr		Formally opened 19.2.1955, cost £17,410.
Gj 1/3/4	DoG 31.3.1953	Church, &c., Dalry Road/High Road, for Church of Scotland.
AP 25.2.1955		Congregation formerly known as Saltcoats Gaelic, q.s. parish of 1904 (cf AA 20.12.1906, application to form North Church into a q.s. parish granted last Friday).
ASH, F25.2.1965, 2ab		The congregation was established 1.9.1949, and originally met in a Nissen hut. **Black & Shapley**, architects.

ACC Planning, A5508		January 1953. Hall-Church, lesser hall, &c., Sharphill Road; **Black & Shapley**, for Church of Scotland Home Board.
AP 25.2.1955		Hall-Church for Saltcoats North dedicated last Saturday
AP 19.4.1963		New church in course of erection, expected completion 1965. The present church, of 1953, is too small and will become church hall.
GH, Sa 10.10.1964, 15h		New church will be dedicated this afternoon. Cost: £31,000. Replaces hall-church built c.10 years ago, which is already too small.
ASH, F 16.10.1964, 7ab8ab		Dedicated last Saturday. **Margaret Brodie**, architect.
ASH, F25.2.1965, 2ab		Formally opened last Saturday.

MANSE

ACC Planning, B1060		March 1957. Manse, High Road; William A Hunter, for Saltcoats North Church.

SALVATION ARMY, Manse Street

CH 2/197/16	12.6.1923	Built 40 years ago (i.e. c.1883) as a Lecture Hall for the Parish Church. Seated for 250.
HR 748/2	21.3.1924	Recently sold to Salvation Army.

SALVATION ARMY, Dalry Road

ACC Planning, A6820		January 1954. Timber Hall, Dalry Road; Robert Rennie, for Salvation Army.

SOUTH BEACH U.F. CHURCH

Saltcoats		1867, Mr **Honeyman**, Glasgow, architect.
Ewing		1867.
AA 30.5.1867		Formally opened last Sunday. Mr Honeyman, architect.
ASH 19.4.1901		Reopened after 3 weeks repairs and repainting. Hall in course of erection.
GH 1/1/16	20.12.1920	Ardrossan TC invited to unveiling, 2.1.1921, of War Memorial window in South Beach Church (Ref Charles Lamont). Here?

SOUTH BEACH U.F. MANSE

Ewing		1887.
VR 1927-28		8 Montgomerie Crescent.

TRINITY U.F. See LANDSBOROUGH & TRINITY

TRINITY U F MANSE

VR 1927/28		Kyleshill, Parkend Avenue.

U.P. MANSE, Hamilton Street

CO3/21/22	1855-1860	Listed throughout this period

WEST U.P. (1), Countess Street - Built as BURGHER MEETING HOUSE

AANHS, 5, p.128BURGHER MEETING HOUSE. In Countess Street. Erected 1792.

ASH, F9.10.1903, 2e		[John Smith, .. Saltcoats 60 Years Ago]. [In the 1830s one of 4 churches in Saltcoats - Parish, A-B, B, and Relief]. "The Burgher church was opposite the steeple, where Mr Ellis ministered".
ASH, Sa 5.11.1864, 4c		Countess Street UP Church have resolved to build a new church. [Cf ERSKINE UF]
ASH, Sa 28.4.1866. 4e		UP Church, Countess Street, has been sold for £120.
ASH, Sa 15.10.1870, 4f		Old West UP Church opened on Monday as Good Templars' Hall. Countess Street.
ASH, Sa 17.6.1871, 4d		"The old Secession Church, opposite the steeple, has all but passed away, and given place to a hall "dedicated to the cause of Templarism"".

WEST U.P. (2) See ERSKINE

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