

CFHS Research Room

The Research Room offers a number of systems to aid you with your Genealogical Research. There are 4 computer terminals for your use, 6 more terminals with Internet access and a microfiche reader. The list below gives brief details of what we offer.

Please tell your friends about us.

Address: Brighthouse Library, Rydings Park, Halifax Rd, Brighthouse Tel. 07952-211986 in opening hours.

Opening Times

The Research Room is open:-

- Tuesdays - 1:30pm to 4:30pm
- Thursdays - 10:00am to 1:00pm

Computer Access to Genealogical Records.

Census Information.

- Calderdale pre-1841 Censuses (those that have survived) – indexed & searchable.
- All England & Welsh Census records (via the Internet) for 1841 to 1911
- Halifax & District 1851 census – indexed & searchable.
- Bradford 1851 Census – indexed & searchable (thanks to Bradford FHS)
- Huddersfield 1851 Census – indexed & searchable (thanks to Huddersfield FHS)
- Wakefield 1851 Census – searchable index (thanks to Wakefield FHS)
- Sheffield 1861 & 1891 Census – indexed & searchable (thanks to Sheffield FHS)
- US 1750 to 1940 censuses – indexed, via Internet connections.

Parish Records – indexed & searchable.

- Halifax St. John's (Parish Church) Baptisms(1767-37), Marriages(1754-1837) and Burials (1767-1917)
- Elland St. Mary's Baptisms, Marriages & Burials (1559 to 1837) – Baptisms to 1850.
- Hebden Bridge St James Baptisms & Burials (1833 to 1869 – Baptisms, & 1834 to 2007 - Burials).
- Heptonstall St Thomas Baptisms, Marriages & Burials (1594 to 1851 – marriages to 1837).
- Baptisms & Burials for Brighthouse, Coley, Cragg Vale, Halifax Holy Trinity, Halifax St James, Illingworth, Lightcliffe, Luddenden, Rastrick, Ripponden, Southowram, Sowerby, Sowerby Bridge & Stainland from opening to 20th century, plus Marriages for Illingworth, Luddenden, Ripponden & Sowerby
- A selection of marriages from Shore Baptist, Todmorden.
- Almondbury All Hallows Baptisms, Marriages & Burials (thanks to Huddersfield FHS)
- Huddersfield St. Peter's Baptisms, Marriages & Burials (thanks to Huddersfield FHS)
- National Burial Index (NBI) V.3
- Lister Lane Halifax Graveyard
- Stoney Royd Cemetery Burial Books -1861 to 1914 (1914 to 1996 to follow)
- Warley Town Burial Book.

Other Information.

- 60+ Calderdale Churches' Monumental Inscriptions – indexed & searchable.
- Crew Lists & Agreements – 1863 to 1913.
- Great War Dead 1914 to 1919.
- Some Surnames & descendants previously researched by some of our members
- Strays for Yorkshire – indexed & searchable.
- Digital Map of Old Halifax Parish 1834/5 – print sections at will.
- Halifax Wills – 1515 to 1544.
- Halifax Guardian – Index for BMDs – 1832 to 1921
- Halifax Courier - Index of BMDs -1914 to 1918

Internet Access.

6 internet terminals in the Research Room, for our exclusive use, covering :-

- CFHS Website.
- CFHS Members area of the Website
- Ancestry.com De Luxe system covering all UK & US Censuses & UK Civil Registers.
- Full access to all other sites on the Internet, including LDS Family Search, IGI, Federation of Family History Societies websites.

Micro-fiche Readers

- All Calderdale C of E Parish Registers up to mid/late 20th century (Marriages to 1837).
- A selection of Non-conformist BMD registers.
- Miscellaneous other fiches.

Paper Records.

- A complete library of Books & Journals to help your research – see library list.
- Various indexes of material held in our library. Computer Aids.