

# Maguire Chalices

The Maguire chieftains were generous patrons of the Church.

Under their rule, many churches were restored. They donated land, cattle and church vessels.

Today, there is a record of **five unique chalices** associated with the Maguire chieftains.

These chalices are now scattered throughout the world from Scotland to Canada.

Perhaps the most famous is the **Dunvegan Chalice**, 1493

This beautiful cup is formed in the shape of a **meth**, an Irish drinking vessel. It is inscribed with the details:

*Katherina, daughter of Mac Rannal, wife of John Maguire, Prince of Fermanagh, caused me to be made in the year of the Lord, 1493. The eyes of all hope in Thee O Lord that Thou givest them bread in due season.*

The original is now housed in Dunvegan Castle, the Isle of Skye.

