

Irish Churches tackling racism

Rev Philip McKinley

13th November 2024, Dromantine, Co Down

Matthew 2: 1 & 11

1. After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem.

11. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Adoration of the Magi
(Nativity)

Matthew 2:1-12

East Belfast





Adoration of the Magi
(Nativity)

Matthew 2:1-12

West Belfast



Adoration of the Magi
(Nativity)

Matthew 2:1-12

South Dublin City



Adoration of the Magi
(Nativity)

Matthew 2:1-12

Co Armagh



Adoration of the
Magi (Nativity)

Matthew 2:1-12

Co Meath









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Plato

(~428-348BC)



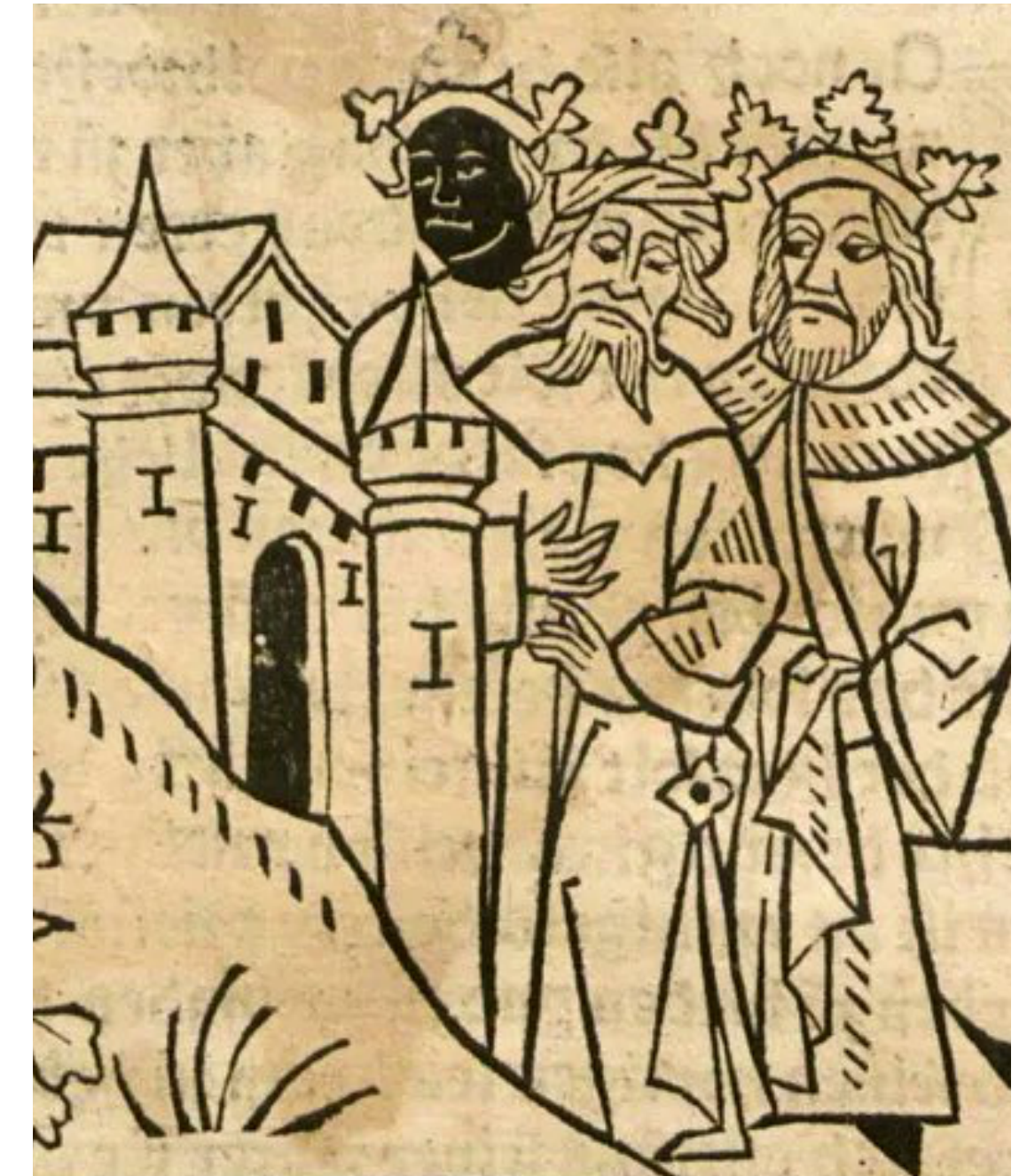
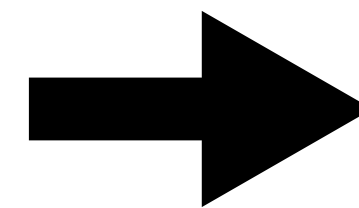
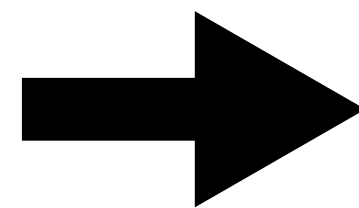
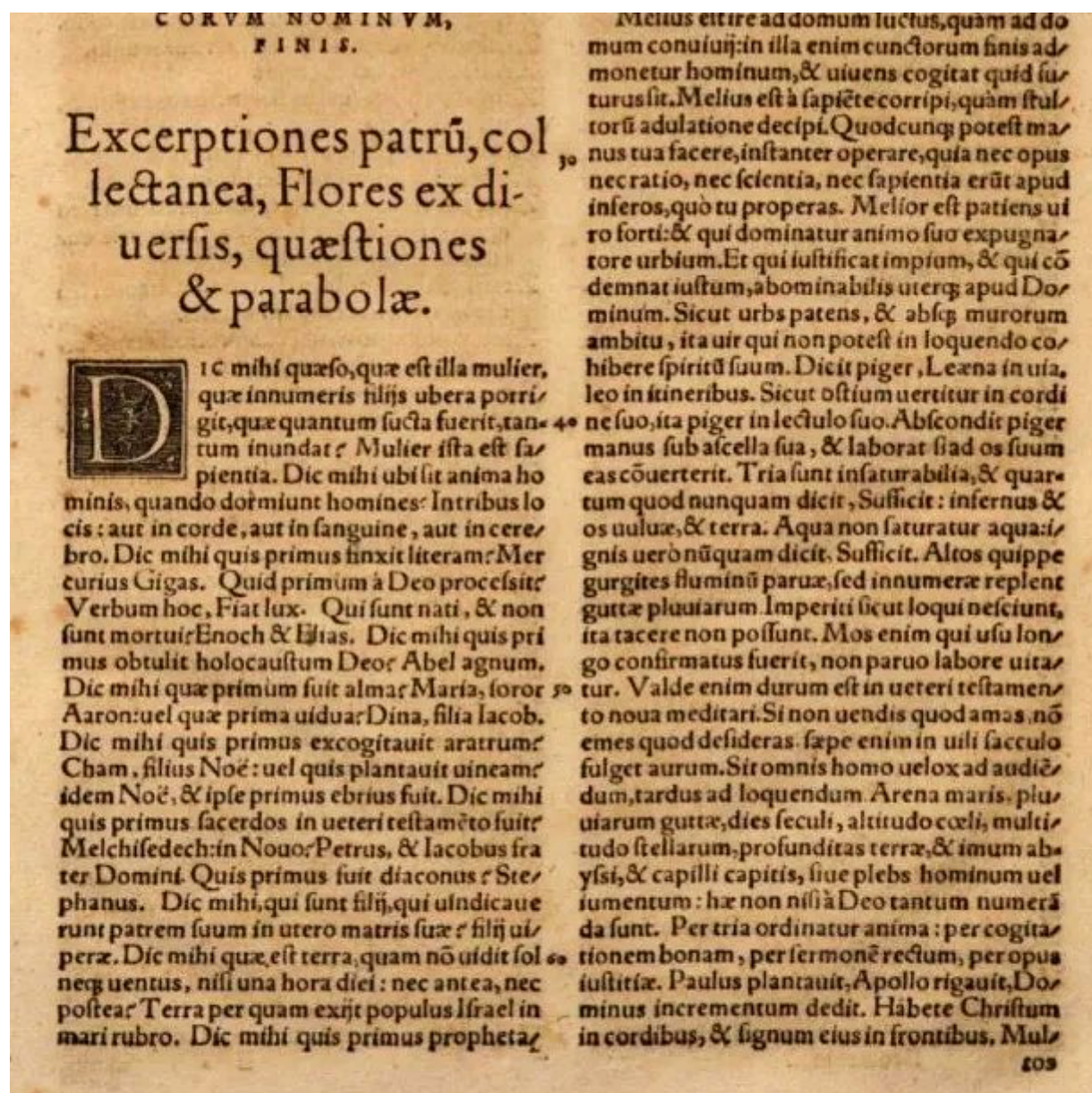
René Descartes

(1596-1650)

Excerptiones Patrum

ascribed to Venerable Bede (673–735)

“fuscus” (*dark*)



John of Hildesheim

(1310– 1375)

Historia Trium Regum (History of the Three Kings)

Catechesis Celtica

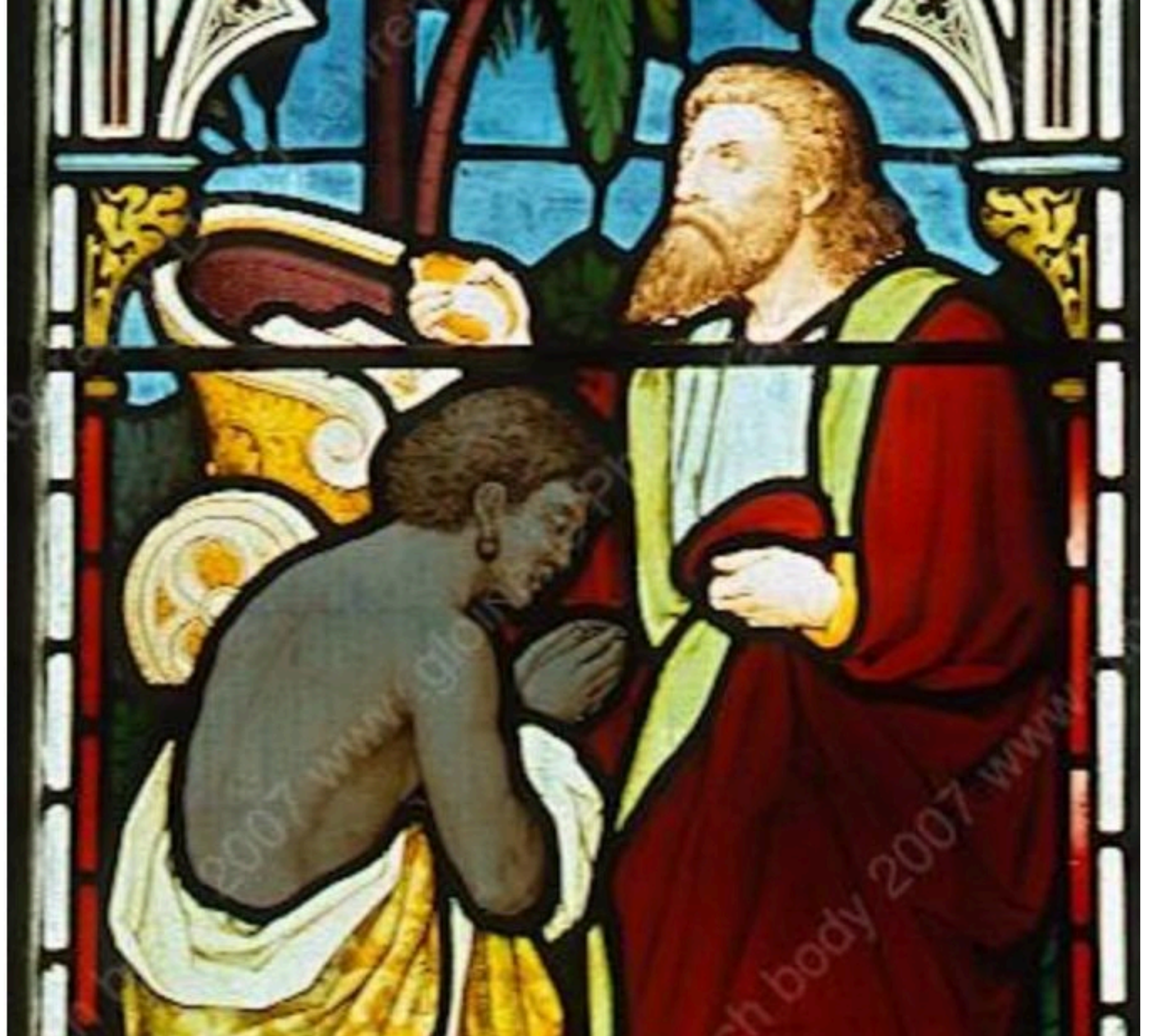
Brittany, late 10th century

“niger” (*black*)

St Philip Baptising
the Eunuch

Acts 8:26-40

Co Carlow





Christ as Good
Shepherd

John 10:11-18

Co Wicklow



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“Gospel Liberty consists with temporal servitude”

“slaves would only become better slaves by being Christian”

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Converting the Savage *Americans* TO CHRISTIANITY,

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By a COLLEGE to be erected in the *Summer Islands*, otherwise called the *Isles of Bermudas*

The harvest is truly great, but the labourers are few. Luke c. 10. v. 2.



By Bishop Berkeley.

L O N D O N,

Printed by H. WOODFALL, at *Elzevir's-Head*, without *Temple-Bar*. 1725.

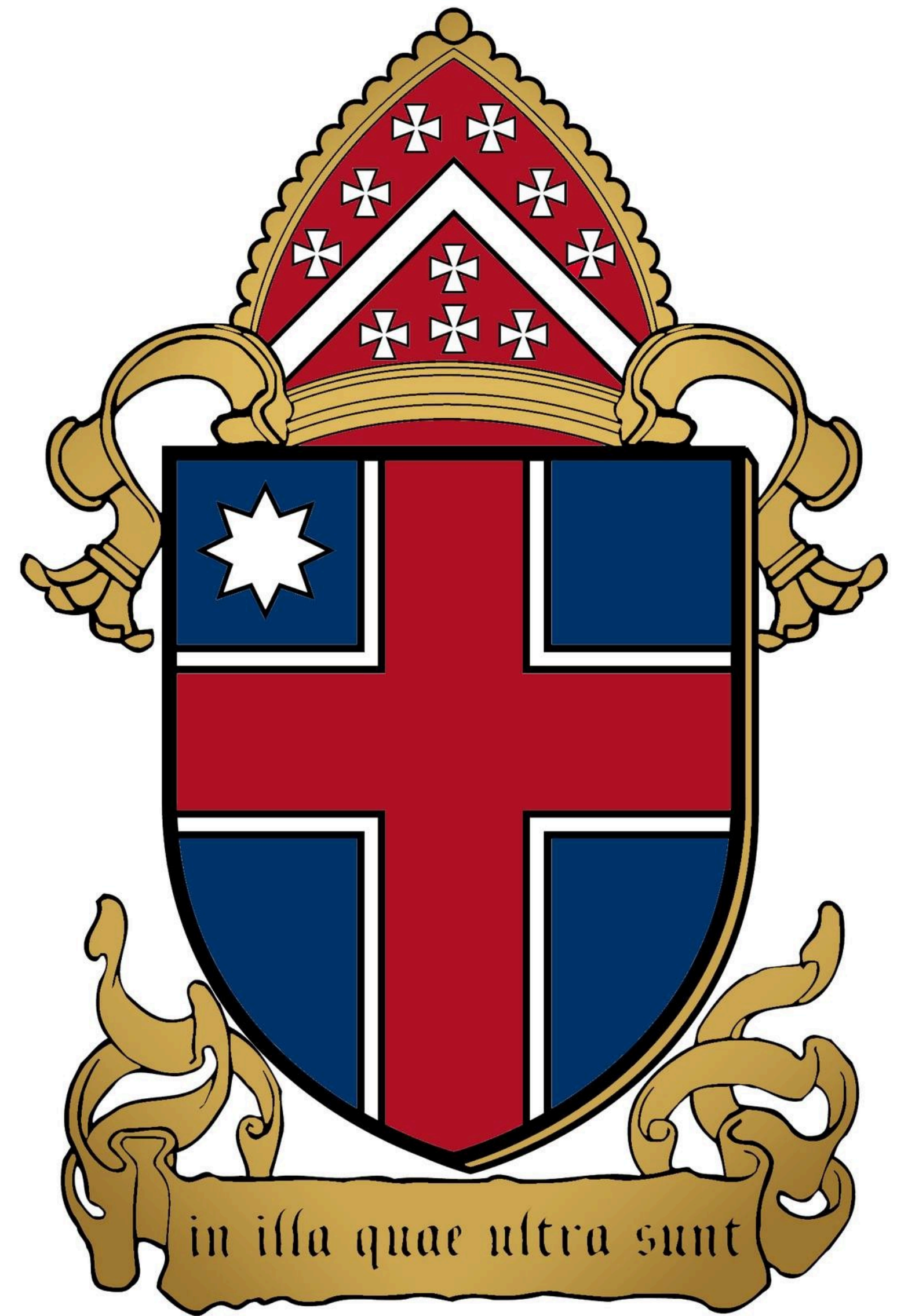
In Order to rectify a Mistake, that *Slaves become free, by their being in England, or Ireland or being Baptized, it has been thought proper to consult the King's Attorney and Sollicitor General in England thereupon, who have given the following Opinion, subscribed with their own Hands.*

We are of Opinion, that a Slave, by coming from the *West-Indies to Great Britain or Ireland*, either with or without his Master, doth not become free, and that his Master's Property, or Right in him, is not thereby determined or varied. And that Baptism doth not bestow Freedom on him, nor make any alteration in his temporal Condition in these Kingdoms. We are also of Opinion, that his Master may legally compel him to return again to the Plantations.

Jan. 14. 1729

P. Yorke
*C. Talbot*¹



“This vision of a westward ‘Empire’ attributed to Berkeley (reflected also in the naming of Berkeley, CA just a few years later) and the Church as its fellow-traveller, should now provoke sorrow. Such triumphalistic theology glossed over the dispossession of indigenous peoples, and assumed slavery as a means to its fulfilment.”



Berkeley Divinity School
the Episcopal Seminary at Yale

Trinity College's Berkeley Library to be renamed over slavery links

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Robbie Meredith

BBC News NI education correspondent • [@robbeorn](#)



“He was a friend to all;
regardless of class or
creed”

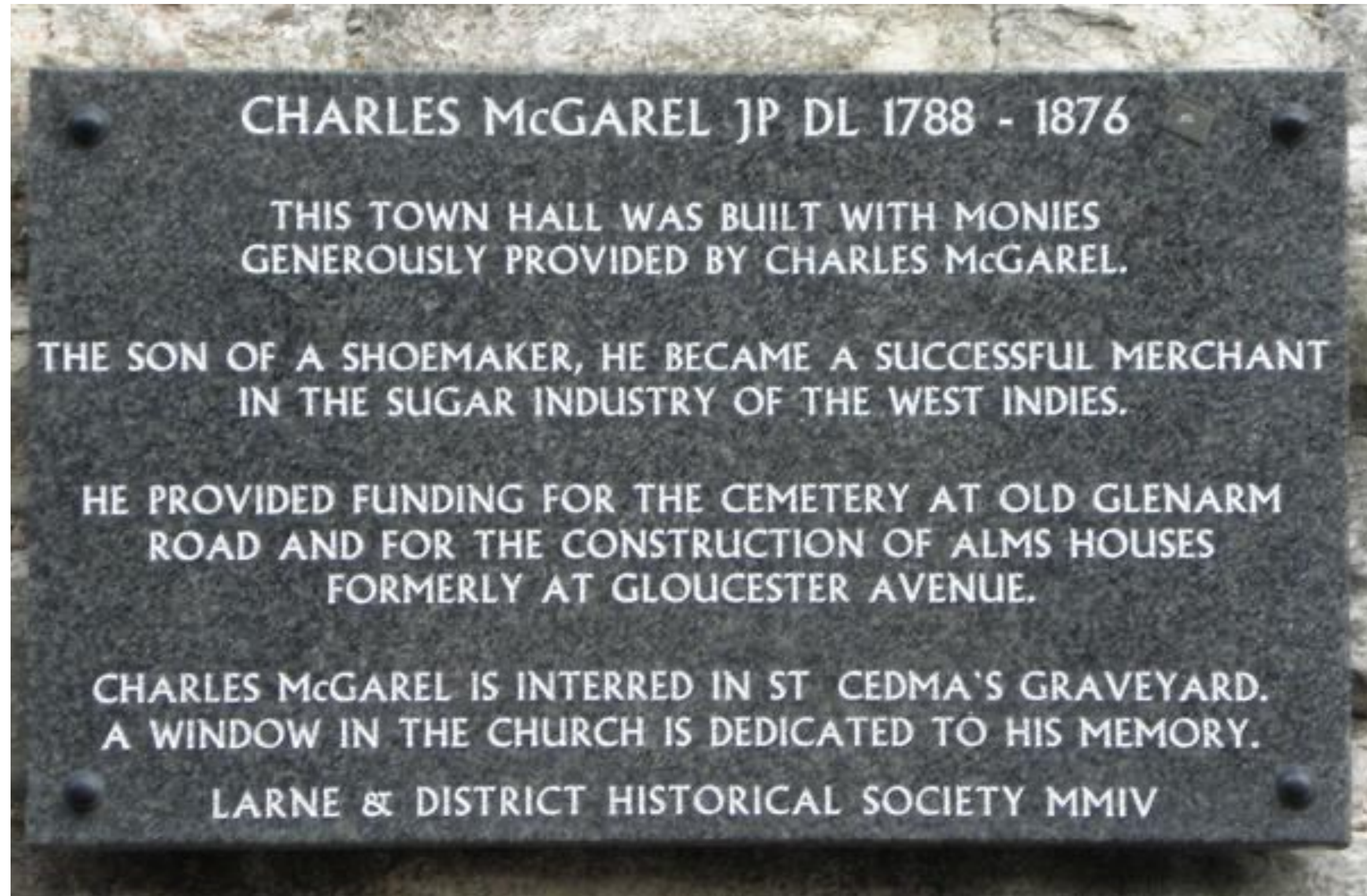


James John Digges La Touche (1788–1827) and Peter Digges La Touche (c. 1790–1869) received £6,815 in compensation for 385 slaves in Jamaica, across two joint claims.

Mary Digges La Touche (1824–1874) was awarded £185 18s 3d for eight slaves in Koningsgberg Castle, St Mary's, Jamaica.



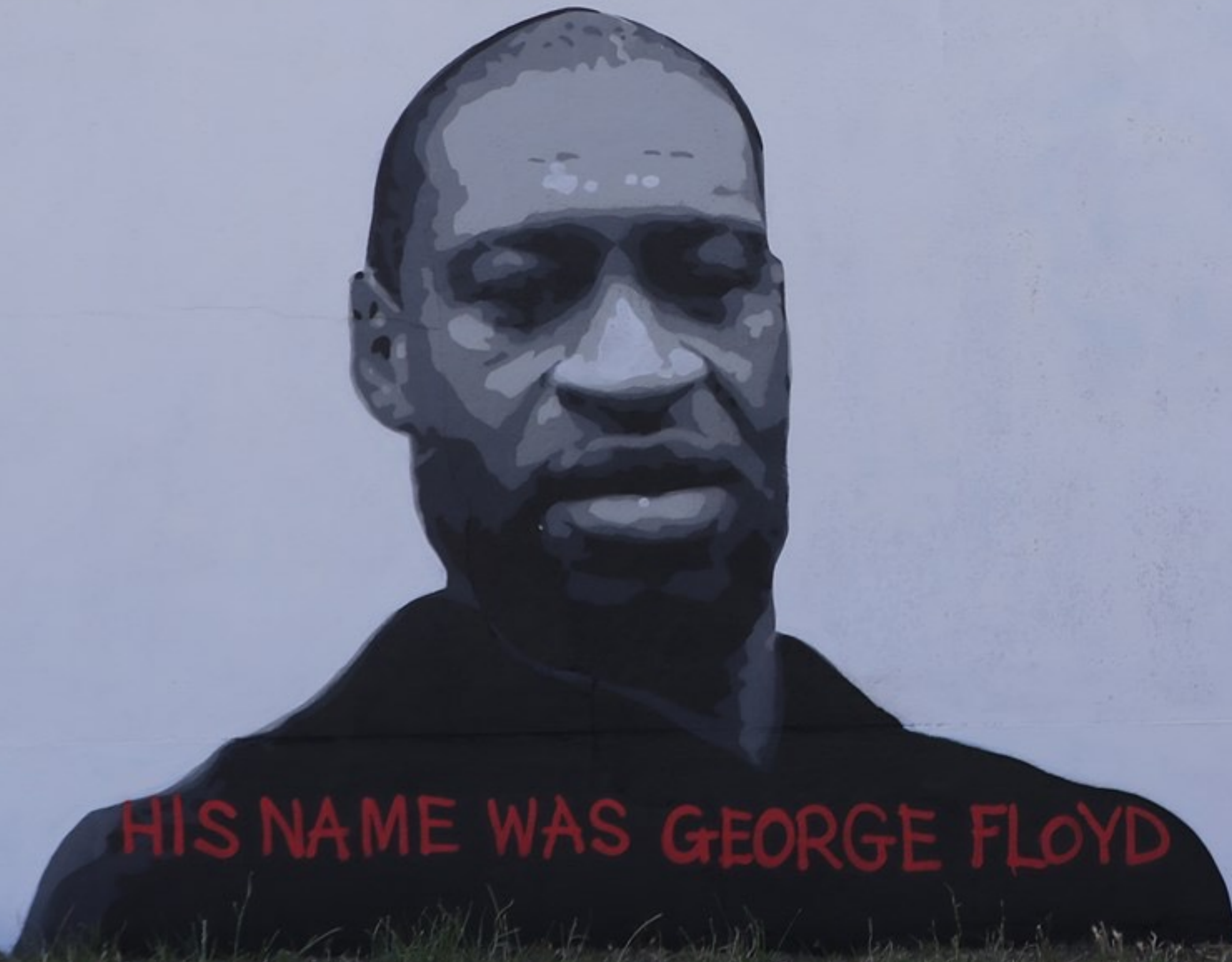
Charles McGarel
(1788–1876) received
£135,076 for 2,777
slaves in British
Guiana, across twelve
separate claims.



WADDELL CUNNINGHAM

Despite the flattering inscription on his mausoleum, Waddell Cunningham earned much of his wealth through a slave worked sugar plantation in the Caribbean. According to local folklore, two wild lions preceded his funeral procession and remained in his tomb for a week to deter body snatchers!







IS TAKING THE SIDE OF THE
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IN MY
COMMUNITY,
YOUTH,
DIGNITY
LIFE
LESS
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Stalemate with PSNI, but black leaders still hoping for an apology



Dr Livingstone Thompson

Anti-Pentecost Moment

“The breath of life given at Pentecost was squeezed out in Minneapolis. Church, we cannot miss the significance of this kairos moment... If the significance of that moment doesn't awaken us to the problem of racism, I don't know what will.”

Daniel Passini, June 2020



Child injured in racially motivated hate crime

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be exempt
from trial**

**A family is
entitled to know
how & why
their son died**

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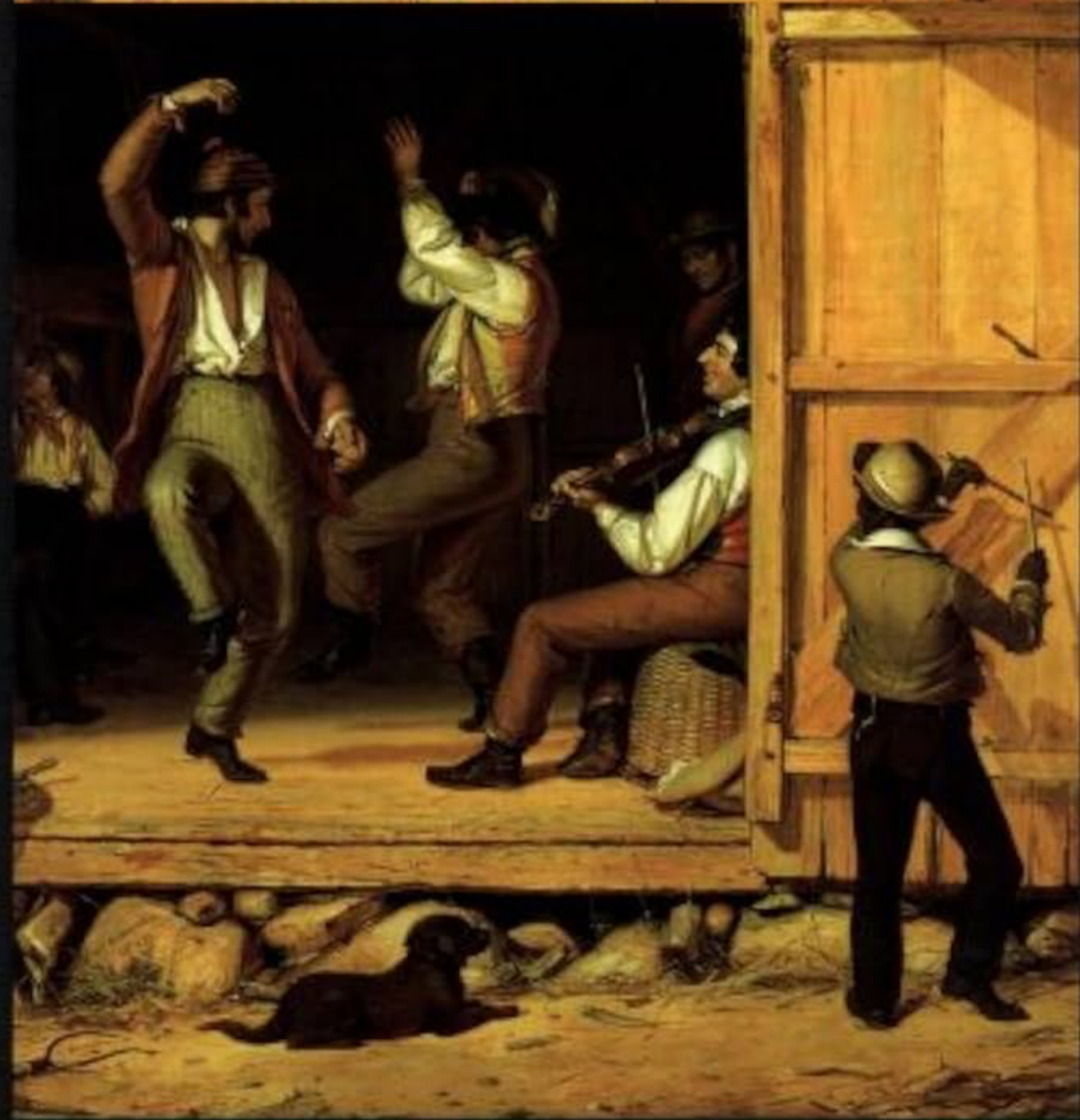
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HOW THE IRISH BECAME WHITE



NOEL IGNATIEV

VAN MORRISON
JOHN LEE HOOKER



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PROGRAMME TO
**COMBAT
RACISM**

World Council
of Churches

Oikoumene

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Handwritten text in a book, likely a diary or journal, with entries dated from 1822 to 1824. The text is written in cursive and includes names and dates.

Reflexive Racialisation

“Rather than seeing racialisation as exclusively as a product of conquest and Empire, racialization can also constitute a voluntary communal enterprise or strategy aimed at attaining group solidarity and political advantage and/or countering existent pernicious claims by a dominant group”.

Steve Garner

**THERE'S NO ONE AS IRISH AS
BARACK OBAMA**

Performed by
**CORRIGAN
BROTHERS**





**black
& irish**

A woman with voluminous curly hair is shown from the chest up, crying. Her right hand is pressed against her mouth, and her eyes are wide and tearful. She is wearing a red turtleneck under a grey sweater. The background is dark with a metal railing and several warm-toned spotlights.

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Black Girls in Tech : Ireland

We are excited to announce that Black Girls in Tech is now live in Ireland! We understand the need for community for black women in tech, by black women in tech. With our HQ based in Dublin , our aim is to provide a community, resources, and opportunities to black women in tech and those who want to get into tech all over Ireland.

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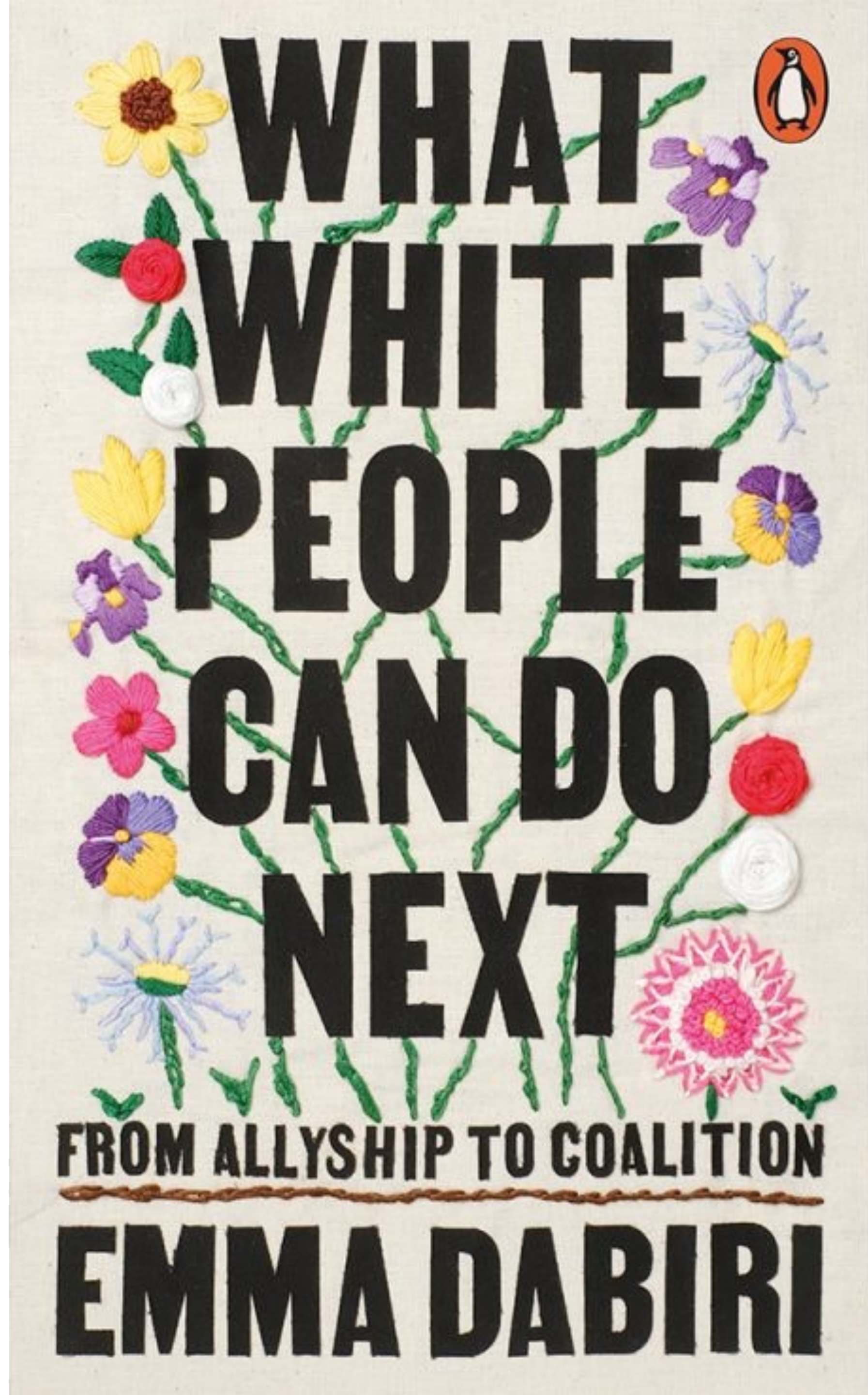
**AFRICAN
GOSPEL CHOIR
DUBLIN**

Jesus loves me











Let's Talk

**Climate Anxiety
and Racial Equity**

with
**Angel
Arutura**



Haigh. I'm a black woman, and I happen to speak Irish

Black Irish Lives: Gaeilgeoir and broadcaster
Ola Majekodunmi on the future of the language



Ola Majekodunmi: 'I cannot imagine my life now without Irish'. Photograph: Dara Mac Dónaill/The Irish Times



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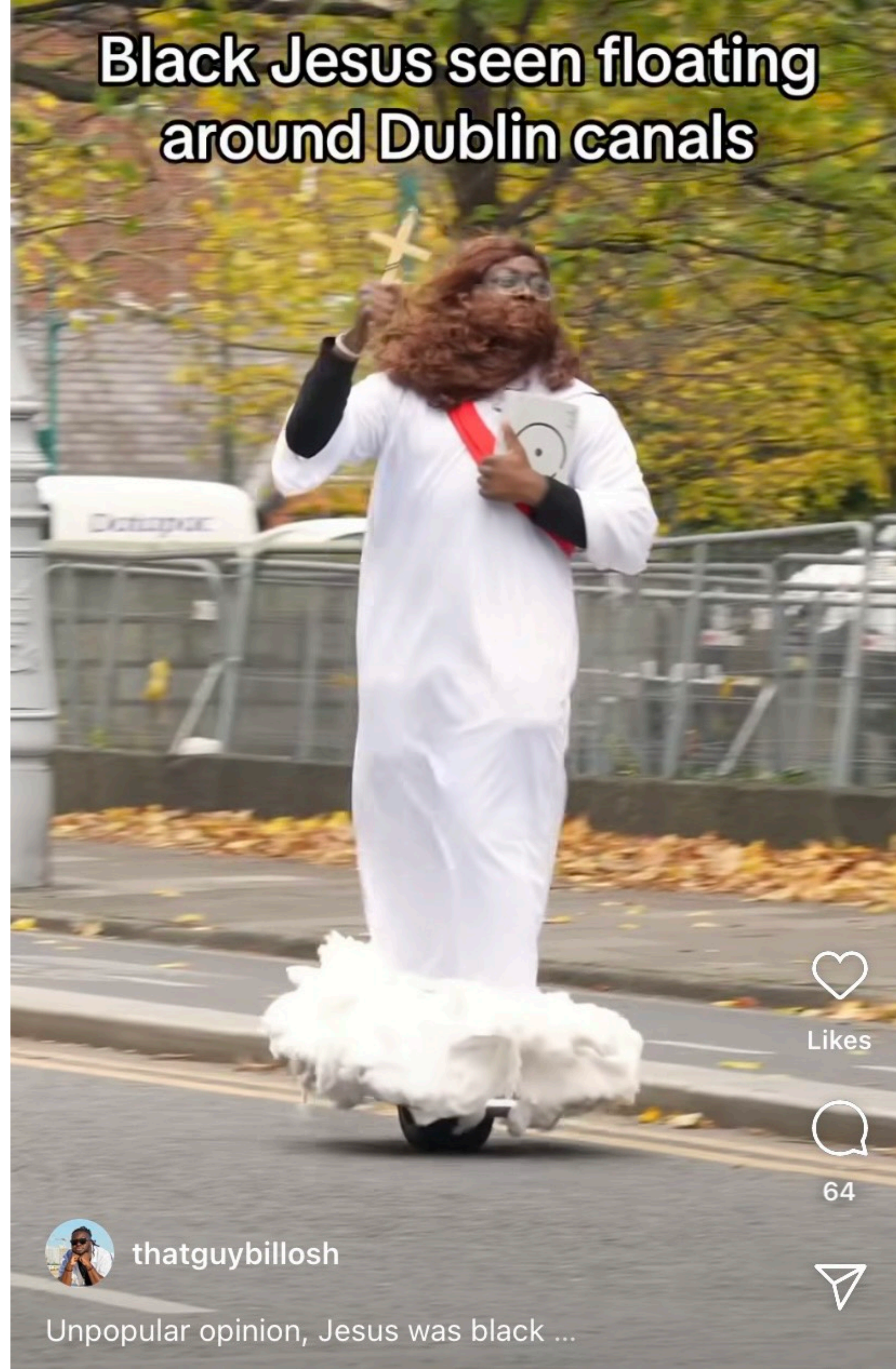
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Black Jesus seen floating around Dublin canals



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Unpopular opinion, Jesus was black ...







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