



Monastery

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Home of
monks

Convent

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Home of
nuns

Monastery
on Inis Mór

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First Irish monastery
established by St.
Enda

Clonmacnoise

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Monastery established
by St. Ciarán near the
River Shannon





Refectory

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Place where
monks had their
meals

Scriptorium

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Place where
manuscripts were
copied by the
monks

Beehives

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Place where the
monks lived

Scribes

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Name of monks who
copied and illuminated
manuscripts





What
manuscripts
were made of

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Vellum (calf skin),
or parchment
(sheep skin)

The Book of
Kells

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The most famous Irish
manuscript; featuring the
four gospels and kept in
Trinity College

Stone
crosses

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Educational scenes
carved by Monks
from the Bible

Dark Ages

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Period after the
fall of the Roman
Empire





Golden Age

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Period of religious fulfilment and prosperity in Ireland

Abbot

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Monk who in charge of the monastery

Palladius

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First missionary sent to Ireland

St. Patrick

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Missionary sent to convert the Irish to Christianity





The Confession

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Book written by
St. Patrick about
his life

Skellig Michael

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Monastery famous
for its stone
beehive huts

The Cathrach

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Famous copy of
psalms in Latin

The Book of Durrow

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Famous copy of
Gospels in Latin

