

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE3759

## Whitty, Ellen

(1819 - 1892)

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**Born** 3 March, 1819, Near Oilgate County Wexford Ireland

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**Died** 9 March, 1892, Brisbane Queensland Australia

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**Occupation** Religious Sister

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### Summary

Ellen Whitty, best known as Mother Vincent, joined the Catholic Order of the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland in 1831. She was elected as Reverend Mother in 1849. Mother Vincent was invited with five Sisters to join the newly formed diocese of Queensland, and arrived there in 1861. She returned to Ireland in 1870 to recruit nuns and take up the position of assistant to the Queensland head of the Order.

### Published resources

#### Resource Section

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<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A060425b.htm>

#### Edited Book

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#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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