Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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History of St. Mary’s Mission and School and Church of the Nativity

1894-1951 Jesuits (formerly Turin, Canada, and California; now Oregon Province, Portland, Oregon) established and administered St. Mary’s Mission (Eskimo and Ingalik), Akulurak

1894-1898 (closed) Jesuits and the Sisters of St. Anne/Ann (Lachine, Quebec, Canada) established and administered St. Mary’s School (Eskimo and Ingalik), Akulurak

1905-1973 (closed) Jesuits and Ursulines (Western Province, Santa Rosa, California) established and administered St. Mary’s School

1951 St. Mary’s Mission and School moved to St. Marys on the Andreafsky River

1951-1987 (closed) Jesuits and Ursulines staffed St. Mary’s School

1951-1972 Jesuits administered St. Mary’s Mission

1972-present Became a parish and renamed; Jesuits have administered Church of the Nativity/ St. Mary’s

1991-present Diocesan Native American Ministries based at Church of the Nativity

1992-present Native Ministries Training Center/ Conference Center based at Church of the Nativity

Jesuits from St. Mary’s established and attended the following Eskimo missions and stations:

1890s-1914 (became a Mission; transferred to Our Lady, Russian Mission and Church of Mary, Marshall) Pilot Station

1899-1943 (became a parish) St. Ignatius Mission, Alakanuk

1890s-1921 (became a mission) Mountain Village station
Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: ca. 1894-present

Volume: Several volumes

Description: Sacramental records for Church of the Nativity/ St. Mary’s Mission and its attended Eskimo missions and station.