Diocese of Sacramento

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Diocese of Sacramento Archives

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Hours: By appointment only, Monday, 8:00-4:00
Access: Some restrictions apply
Copying facilities: Yes

History: The Diocese of Sacramento was erected in 1886 and initially included all of the former Diocese of Grass Valley in California and portions of the Diocese of San Francisco in California and Nevada. In 1999 the Sacramento Diocese reported 3,000 baptized Native American Catholics. The Diocese of Sacramento has administered St. Anthony Mission (Pomo), Rio Linda, 1967-1972.

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: Between 1853-present

Volume: Approximately .1 cubic foot

Description: 3 series include Native Catholic records:

/1 “Bishops Papers”
Inclusive dates: 1853, 1874
Volume: 2 letters
Description:
A. Bishop Joseph Sadoc Alemany y Conill, O.P. (1814-1888), 1853, 1 letter; letter to Reverend Moriarty, 1853; re: seeking a missionary to evangelize Indians in California
B. Bishop Eugene O’Connell (1815-1891), 1874, 1 letter; letter to John Gilmary Shea, 1874; re: Round Valley Indian Reservation, Reverend Luciano Osuna, and Reverend Burchard (Methodist missionary), plus Reverend Patrick Manogue (1831-1895), Virginia City, Nevada and Paiute and Shoshoni Indians
“Sacramental Records”
Inclusive dates: Between 1855-present
Volume: Few reels of microfilm, in part
Description: Arranged alphabetically by parish location and there under by name; includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and burials; the following non-Indian parishes are believed to have to attended students at a Government Indian school and/or included a few Indian parishioners.
  A. Alturas, Sacred Heart Church, 1900s-1920s; Fort Bidwell School (Paiute)
  B. Grass Valley, St. Patrick Church (Maidu), 1855-present
  C. Rio Linda, St. Anthony Mission (Pomo), 1967-1972
  D. Sacramento, Our Lady of Lourdes Church (Pomo), 1957-present

“Diocesan Newspaper”
Inclusive dates: 1960-present
Volume: Very few articles
Description: The Catholic Herald, http://diocese-sacramento.org/herald/index.htm, has included virtually no articles about American Indians and Catholic evangelization in the diocese; issues archived online, 2000-present.