Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans

Diocese of San Bernardino
CALIFORNIA, SAN BERNARDINO

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History: In 1978 the Diocese of San Bernardino was erected for Riverside and San Bernardino Counties from part of the Diocese of San Diego. The San Bernardino Diocese and its predecessors have administered the following Indian missions, parishes, and schools:

- 1858–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) Santa Rosa de Lima Mission (Yokuts), Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa Reservation
- 1888–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) St. Joseph Mission (Aguas Calientes), San Jacinto
- 1890–1956 (no longer Indian) (San Bernardino, 1978–1956) St. Boniface School (Cahuilla, Serrano, and Cupeño), Riverside
- 1890–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) St. Mary Chapel (Cahuilla, Serrano, Cupeño), Morongo, Morongo Reservation
- 1904–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Chapel (Cahuilla), Thermal, Torres-Martinez Reservation
- 1909–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) St. Michael Mission (Aguas Calientes), Temecula, Pechanga Reservation
- 1932–present (San Bernardino, 1978–present) Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission (Aguas Calientes), Palm Springs
- 1978–present Our Lady of the Snows Mission (Cahuilla), Cahuilla Reservation
- 1979–present St. Catherine of Alexandria Church (Cahuilla), Temecula
- 1993–present St. Theresa Chapel (Cahuilla), Mountain Center

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1890–present
Volume: Approximately 1.5 cubic feet

Description: 4 series include Native Catholic records:

/1 Bishops Papers
Inclusive dates: 1992-present
Volume: Approximately .3 cubic foot (9 folders; 4 linear inches)
Description: Bishop Gerald Richard Barnes (1945- ), Auxiliary Bishop of San Bernardino, 1992-1995; Bishop of San Bernardino, 1995-present; includes the following items:
A. 13th Annual Powwow 2002, Soboba Tribe; 1 booklet (18 pages)
B. 8th Annual Inter-tribal Powwow 2004; 1 booklet (18 pages)
C. Conflicts, n.d.; 1 folder (.38 linear inch)
D. Demographics, n.d.; 1 folder (.13 linear inch)
E. Escuela de Raza Unida, n.d.; 1 folder (1 page)
F. Grants: Black and Indian [Mission Office] and Catholic [Church] Extension Society, n.d.; 1 folder (1 linear inch)
G. List of tribal chairs, n.d.; 1 folder (5 pages)
H. Native general issues, n.d.; 1 folder (1 linear inch)
I. State of the Mission Report, 1994; 1 folder (8 pages)

/2 Parish and School Files
Inclusive dates: 1890-present
Volume: Approximately 1 cubic foot (37 folders)
Description: Arranged alphabetically by location of parishes and there under by name; includes clippings, correspondence, histories, notes, photographs, and publications for parishes and their attended missions and stations;
A. Banning, St. Anthony School, n.d., 1 folder
B. Cahuilla Reservation, Our Lady of Snows Church, 1920-1989, 1 folder
C. Highland, San Manuel Church, 1984-1986, 1 folder
D. Idyllwild, Story of Queen of Angels Church, 1984?, 1 folder: includes Anza, Sacred Heart Mission
E. Riverside, St. Boniface School, 1890-1950s (files after 1952 excluded), 23 folders (13 linear inches): includes materials on the following
  1. Background, n.d., 1 folder
  2. Benedictions, n.d., 1 folder
  3. Chapel, n.d., 1 folder
  4. Correspondence by Father [B. Florian] Hahn, C.PP.S 1890-1920, 1 folder
  6. Historical papers (copies) 1891-1906, 1 folder: Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions Records, Series 1-1 Correspondence and Series 2-1 School Records; re: St. Boniface’s; from Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
  7. History, n.d., 1 folder
  8. Main building, n.d., 1 folder
  9. Notebook, Father Hahn and school, 1890-1920, 1 folder
10. Office, n.d., 1 folder
11. Photographs, n.d., 1 folder
12. Probation problems, n.d., 1 folder
13. School cemetery, 1890?-1941?, 1 folder
14. Sherman Institute, n.d., 1 folder
15. Sister Anna Francis Stack, C.S.J., n.d., 1 folder
17. St. Boniface, 1913-1952, 1 folder
18. St. Boniface Cemetery, 1902-1990, 1 folder
19. St. Boniface Cemetery internment records, 1890-1950, 1 folder
22. Students and teachers, n.d., 1 folder
23. The Mission Indian, n.d. [1906?], 1 folder

F. Morongo, St. Mary Church, 1952-1989, 1 folder
G. Pala, San Antonio de Pala Mission, 1985-1996, 1 folder
H. San Jacinto, St. Joseph Church, 1918-1985, 1 folder
I. San Ysabel, San Ysabel Mission, 1922-1995, 1 folder
J. Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa Mission, 1939-1985, 1 folder
K. Torres-Martinez [Thermal], Sacred Hearts Chapel, 1938-1984, 1 folder
L. Yuma [Winterhaven, California], Story of St. Thomas Indian Mission, Charles Russell Quinn, 1968

M. General
1. Miscellaneous, Bingo, n.d., 1 folder
2. Mission Indians, 1834-1984, 1 folder

/3 Sacramental Records
Inclusive dates: 1852-present
Volume: 12 reels of microfilm in part
Description: Arranged alphabetically by location of parishes and there under by name; includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and burials for Indian and non-Indian parishes with attended Indian missions and stations and/or a few Indian Catholics; original records are kept by the parishes
A. Anza, Sacred Heart Church, 1993-present, includes Ramona Reservation station, 1993-present, Mountain Center, St. Theresa Chapel, 1993-present, and Cahuilla Reservation, Our Lady of the Snows Chapel, 1993-present; 1 reel
B. Banning, Precious Blood Church, 1890-present, includes Morongo Reservation, St. Mary Chapel, 1890-1965; 1 reel
C. Blythe, St. Joan of Arc Church, dates unknown, includes Colorado River Reservation station, dates unknown; 1 reel
D. Coachella, Our Lady of Soledad Church, 1923-present, includes Thermal [Torres-Martinez], Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Chapel, 1927-present, Palm Springs, Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission, 1932-present, Augustine Reservation station, 1932-present, and Twenty-nine Palms Reservation station, 1932-present; 1 reel
E. Highland, St. Adelaide Church, 1956-present, includes San Manuel Reservation station, 1956-present; 1 reel
F. Indio, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1932-unknown; includes Indio station, 1932-present; 1 reel
G. Needles, St. Ann Church includes Fort Mojave Reservation station, 1897-1904; 1 reel
H. Havasu Lake station, dates unknown; 1 reel
I. Riverside, St. Thomas Church, 1903-, includes the Sherman Institute, 1867-present; 1 reel
J. San Bernardino, St. Bernardine Church, 1852-1925, includes Riverside/Banning, St. Boniface School, 1852-1925; 1 reel
K. San Jacinto, St. Anthony Church, 1907-1978, includes Soboba Reservation, St. Joseph Mission, 1905-present; 1 reel
L. Temecula, St. Catherine of Alexandria Church, 1979-present, includes Pechanga Reservation, St. Michael’s Chapel, 1979-present; 1 reel

/4 Diocesan Newspapers
Inclusive dates: 1980-present
Volume: Few articles
Description: The Inland Catholic, 1980-1999, and The Diocese of San Bernardino Bulletin, 2000-present, have included occasional articles about American Indians and Catholic evangelization in the diocese.