Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Diocese of Pueblo
COLORADO, PUEBLO

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Hours: By appointment only
Access: Some restrictions apply
Copying facilities: Yes

History: In 1941, the Diocese of Pueblo was erected for southern Colorado from part of the Diocese of Denver. The Pueblo Diocese and its predecessor have administered the following Indian missions and parishes:

1898–present (Pueblo, 1941–present) St. Ignatius Mission (Ute), Ignacio, Southern Ute Reservation
1911–present (Pueblo, 1941–present) Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (Ute), Pagosa Springs
1911–present (Pueblo, 1941–present) St. John Baptist Mission (Ute), Pagosa Junction, Southern Ute Reservation
1951–ca. 1998 (closed) Towaoc Mission (Ute), Towaoc, Ute Mountain Reservation

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1857?–present

Volume: Approximately 1 cubic foot

Description: 7 series includes Native Catholic records:

/1 Sacramental Records
Inclusive dates: 1857?–present
Volume: Several entries among a number of diocesan-wide volumes and 2 reels of microfilm

Description: Divided into volumes by year starting in 1942 and arranged beginning with the see city of Pueblo and the cathedral parish followed alphabetically by other parishes in Pueblo and then alphabetically by other places and there under by parish name; includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and burials for the following Indian and non-Indian parishes with attended Indian missions and stations and/or a few Indian parishioners:

A. Conejos, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 1942–present
B. Cortez, St. Margaret Mary Church, 1942-present; includes Towaoc Mission
E. Ignacio, St. Ignatius Mission, 1976-present

/2 Parish Files
Inclusive dates: 1886-present
Volume: 9 folders
Description: Arranged alphabetically by location of parishes and there under by name; includes clippings, correspondence (between pastors and bishops and Catholic Church Extension Society), and property deeds for parishes and attended missions and stations; re: some Indian-related documents may be included.
A. Conejos, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 1886-present, 3 folders
B. Cortez, St. Margaret Mary Church, 1948-present, 1 folder; includes Towaoc Mission, 1951-1990s
D. Ignacio, St. Ignatius Mission, 1976-present, 1 folder

/3 Architectural Drawings
Inclusive dates: 1940, 1950
Volume: 2 sets of drawings
Description: Arranged numerically by number with an alphabetical inventory arranged by location of parishes and there under by name; includes Durango, Sacred Heart Church, number 13, 1940 and number 31, 1950; names of architectural firms also given.

/4 Photographs
Inclusive dates: Unknown
Volume: Few prints
Description: Unprocessed.

/5 Priests’ Personnel Religious Communities
Inclusive dates: 1943-present
Volume: Few folders
Description: Arranged alphabetically by surname.

/6 Religious Communities
Inclusive dates: 1943-present
Volume: 2 folders
Description: Arranged alphabetically by religious community, including the Theatines, Rome, Italy, re: mostly financial and personnel concerns.
Diocesan Newspapers
Inclusive dates: 1941-present
Volume: Very few articles