Diocese of Evansville
INDIANA, VINCENNES

The Old Cathedral Library
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History: St. Francis Xavier Church/ Cathedral is a non-Indian parish that had a number of Illinois Indian parishioners and others of American Indian descent, 1732-unknown.

1727 Pére Gabriel Guymonneau, S.J. (now La Province du Canada français) established a mission at Fort Vincennes (Illinois and Métis)
1732-1736 Pére Guymonneau, S.J. established and administered St. Francis Xavier Church (Illinois and Métis) until his death in 1736
1736-1763 Other Jesuits served the parish intermittently
1769 Diocesan priests succeeded the Jesuits in serving the parish

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1749-1865
Volume: Several entries among .5 cubic foot
Description: Sacramental records for St. Francis Xavier Church.