Diocese of Gallup  
NEW MEXICO, LAGUNA  

St. Joseph Church  
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Access: Some restrictions apply  

History:  

1699-1852  
Franciscans (Santo Evangelico Province, Mexico City, Mexico) established and administered St. Joseph/ San José de Laguna Mission (Laguna), Laguna Pueblo  

1852-1854  
Diocesan priests attended St. Joseph’s from San Francisco, Santa Fe  

1854-1856  
Diocesan priests attended St. Joseph’s from St. Augustine’s, Isleta Pueblo  

1858-1888  
Diocesan priests attended St. Joseph’s from Nuestra Señora de los Dolores, Seboyeta  

1890-1898  
Diocesan priests attended St. Joseph’s from San Rafael’s, Milan  

1900-1910  
Diocesan priests attended St. Joseph’s from Sacred Heart, Gallup  

1910-present  
Became a parish; Franciscans (formerly St. John the Baptist; now Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Albuquerque, New Mexico) have administered St. Joseph Church  

1935-present  
Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People (Bensalem, Pennsylvania) have assisted in ministering to St. Joseph’s  

Diocesan priests, Franciscans, and Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament from St. Joseph’s have attended the following Indian missions and parish:  

1930-1950 (transferred to St. Joseph, San Fidel)  
San Estevan del Rey Church (Acoma), Acoma Pueblo, Acoma Reservation  

1950-present  
St. Mary Margaret Mission (Laguna), Paraje, Laguna Reservation  

1950-present  
St. Elizabeth Mission (Laguna), Paguate, Laguna Reservation  

1950-present  
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mission (Laguna), Encinal, Laguna Reservation  

1950-present  
Sacred Heart Mission (Laguna), Mesita, Laguna Reservation
Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1900-present

Volume: Approximately 1.5 cubic feet

Description: Sacramental records with index for St. Joseph Church and its attended Indian missions: baptisms, 1901-present, 7 volumes; first communions, 1926-present, 1 volume plus 1 combined with confirmations; confirmations, 1919-present, 1 volume plus 1 combined with first communions; marriages, 1905-present, 3 volumes; and deaths, 1923-present, 2 volumes. Some records of San Estevan del Rey, Acoma Pueblo, may be included.