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

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History:

1914-present Franciscans (formerly St. John the Baptist; now Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Albuquerque, New Mexico) established and have administered St. Mary/Immaculate Conception Church (Navajo), Navajo Reservation

Franciscans from St. Mary’s have attended the following Navajo Indian missions and stations on the Navajo Reservation:

1948-present St. Anthony Mission, Naschitti, New Mexico
1950-present Coyote Canyon station, New Mexico
1950-present Mexican Springs station, New Mexico
1950-present Twin Lakes station, New Mexico
1960-2001 (closed) Sheep Springs station, Arizona
1970-present Chuska Mission, Chuska, New Mexico

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1918-

Volume: Several volumes and folders

Description: The records at St. Mary Church are not arranged according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by type of record.

A. Sacramental records
Inclusive dates: 1918-present
Volume: Several volumes
Description: Baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and deaths for St. Mary Church and its attended missions and stations.
B. History
Inclusive dates: 2000
Volume: 1 volume
Description: *Water in the Desert*.

C. Other records
Inclusive dates: 1918-present (bulk to 1935)
Volume: Several volumes and folders
Description: Bulletins, clippings and scrapbooks, photographs and albums, video recordings, and financial records for St. Mary Church and its attended missions and stations.