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

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Our Lady of Victory Church                      M-180
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Access: Some restrictions apply

History: Our Lady of Victory Church is a non-Indian parish that had a number
of Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian parishioners until ca. 1900s.

1886 St. Elizabeth Church, Purcell, was built
1887-1905 Benedictines (now St. Gregory's Abbey, Shawnee, Oklahoma) administered Our Lady of Victory/ St. Elizabeth’s
1887-1890(closed) Benedictines established and staffed St. Scholastica Day School (Choctaw and Chickasaw) at St. Elizabeth’s
1888-1948(closed) Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia established and staffed St. Elizabeth Boarding School (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1901-1948 (closed) Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia established and staffed St. Elizabeth Day School (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1905-present Diocesan priests administered Our Lady of Victory

Benedictines and diocesan priests from Our Lady of Victory /St. Elizabeth’s attended the following Indian missions and stations:

1888-1889 (transferred to St. Joseph's, Oklahoma City) Fort Reno station (Cheyenne)
1888-1889 (closed) Darlington station (Cheyenne)
1888-1889 (closed) Paul's Valley station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1888-1889 (closed) Winnewood station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1888-1889 (closed) Cantonement station (Arapaho)
1888-1890 (transferred to Sacred Heart, El Reno) Fort Sill station (Apache and Comanche)
1888-1891 (became a parish) Anadarko station (Kiowa, Comanche, Apache, Caddo, Wichita, and Delaware)
1888-1892 (transferred to St. Patrick's, Anadarko) Kiowa and Comanche Reservation station
1888-1906 (closed) Erin Springs station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1888-1906 (closed)                      Washita station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1888-1906 (closed)                      White Bead Hills station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1889-ca. 1939 (no longer Indian)        St. John the Baptist Mission (Choctaw and Chickasaw), Lexington
1890-1895 (transferred to St. Patrick’s, Norman) Ardmore station (Chickasaw) St. Patrick's, Norman)
1892-1906 (closed)                      Velma station (Chickasaw)
1912-1939 (closed)                      Blanchard station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1915-1939 (closed)                      Paul's Valley station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)
1925-1939 (closed)                      Winnewood station (Choctaw and Chickasaw)

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