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History:
1846-1851 Reverend Pierre-Jean de Smet, S.J., visited Chief Spotted Tail and the Brulé Indians
1846-1851 Benedictines visited the Rosebud Reservation (Brulé) from the Standing Rock Reservation
1883 Reverend Francis M. Craft served the Rosebud Reservation station
1886-present Jesuits (now Wisconsin Province, Milwaukee, Wisconsin) established and administered St. Francis Mission (Brulé)
1886-1972 Jesuits established and administered St. Francis School (Brulé)
1886-1972 (transferred to Sicangu Oyate Ho) Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity (now Sacred Heart Province, Denver, Colorado) taught at the school
1972-present Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity have continued to evangelize the Rosebud Reservation parishes
1977-present Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Family (Dubuque, Iowa) have evangelized the Rosebud Reservation parishes, e.g. St. Agnes Church, Parmelee and St. Peter Mission, Okreek

Jesuits from St. Francis attended the following Indian parishes, missions, and stations:
1884-1888 (became a parish) Pine Ridge Reservation (Oglala) station
1899-ca. 1960s (transferred to St. Peter's, Wood) St. Peter Mission (Brulé), Okreek/ Oak Creek Rosebud Reservation
1899-ca. 1960s (transferred to Sacred Heart, White River) St. Ignatius Mission (Brulé), White River, Rosebud Reservation
1905-1961 (closed) St. Joseph Mission (Brulé), Red Leaf/Black Pipe, Rosebud Reservation
1905-ca. 1970s (became a parish) St. Bridget Mission (Brulé), Rosebud, Rosebud Reservation
1910-ca. 1960s (became a parish) St. Peter/Our Lady of Good Counsel Mission (Brulé), Wood/White Thunder, Rosebud Reservation
1911-1913 (became a parish) Yankton Reservation (Yankton) station
1911-1925 (closed) St. Rita Mission (Brulé), Corn Creek, Rosebud Reservation
1911-1950 (closed) Holy Rosary Mission (Brulé), Dog Ear, Rosebud Reservation
1911-1964 (closed) St. Catherine Mission (Brulé), Bad Nation, Rosebud Reservation
1911-1975 (closed) Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé), Ring Thunder, Rosebud Reservation
1911-ca. 1975 (transferred to St. Agnes, Parmelee) Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé), Upper Cutmeat, Rosebud Reservation
1912-ca. 1970s (transferred to St. Agnes, Parmelee) Ss. Patrick and Bridget/Our Lady of Good Counsel Mission (Brulé), He Dog, Rosebud Reservation
1912-present St. Mary/St. Francis of Assisi Mission (Brulé), Ironwood, Rosebud Reservation
1912-present St. Patrick/St. Andrew Mission (Brulé), Spring Creek, Rosebud Reservation
1913-1952 (closed) Holy Family Mission (Brulé), Lower Cutmeat, Rosebud Reservation
1915-1946 (transferred to St. Thomas, Mission) Guardian Angel Chapel (Brulé), Rosebud Boarding School, Rosebud Reservation
1926-1927 (closed) Our Lady of Victory Mission (Brulé), Bull Creek, Rosebud Reservation
1926-1934 (transferred to St. Thomas, Mission) St. Theresa Mission (Brulé), Hidden Timber, Rosebud Reservation
1926-1949 (closed) Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé), Lakeview, Rosebud Reservation
1926-present St. Rose Mission (Brulé), Soldier Creek, Rosebud Reservation
1927-1961 (closed) Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé), White Horse Camp
1927-1975 (became a parish) St. Agnes Mission (Brulé), Parmelee, Rosebud Reservation
1927-present Holy Family Mission (Brulé), Horse Creek, Rosebud Reservation
1927-present Immaculate Conception Mission (Brulé), Two Strike, Rosebud Reservation
1928-1949 (closed) St. Mary Mission (Brulé), Little White River, Rosebud Reservation
1929-1949 (closed) St. Mary Mission (Brulé), Hollow Horn Bear, Rosebud Reservation
1929-1951 (closed) Holy Family/St. Sophie Mission (Brulé), Cedar Butte, Rosebud Reservation
1930-1934 (transferred to St. Thomas, Mission) St. Michael Mission (Brulé), Carrollton, Rosebud Reservation
1930-1945 (closed)  St. Francis Xavier Mission (Brulé),
Bull Creek
1930-1956 (closed)  St. John the Apostle Mission (Brulé),
Mosher
1930-1955 (became a parish)  Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé),
Norris,
Rosebud Reservation
1931-1951 (closed)  St. James the Apostle Mission (Brulé),
Horse Shoe Butte, Rosebud
Reservation
1931-ca. 1970 (closed)  Sacred Heart Mission, Bull Creek
(Brulé), Rosebud Reservation
1963-1970 (closed)  Sacred Hearts of Mary and Jesus
Mission (Brulé), White Horse,
Rosebud Reservation
1982?-present  Antelope station (Brulé), Rosebud
Reservation
1982?-present  Sacred Heart Church (Brulé), Norris,
Rosebud Reservation
1982?-present  Sacred Heart Mission (Brulé), Upper
Cutmeat, Rosebud Reservation
1982?-present  St. Agnes Church (Brulé), Parmelee,
Rosebud Reservation
1982-present  St. Bridget Church (Brulé), Rosebud,
Rosebud Reservation
1982-present  St. Thomas the Apostle Church (Brulé),
Mission, Rosebud Reservation
1982?-present  Ss. Patrick and Bridget Mission
(Brulé), He Dog, Rosebud Reservation
1982?-present  St. Peter Mission (Brulé), Okreek,
Rosebud Reservation

History of St. Agnes Church

1927-ca. 1970s  Jesuits (formerly Missouri; now Wisconsin Province,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin) established and attended St. Agnes
Mission (Brulé), Parmelee, Rosebud Reservation, from St.
Francis Mission, St. Francis
1975-1982?  Became a parish; Jesuits attended St. Agnes Church from
St. Thomas, Mission
1982?-present  Jesuits have attended St. Agnes from St. Francis Mission

Jesuits from St. Agnes attended the following Brulé Indian missions on the
Rosebud Reservation:

1975-1982?  (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  Sacred Heart Mission, Upper Cutmeat
1975-1982?  (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  Ss. Patrick and Bridget Mission, He Dog
1977-1982?  (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  Sacred Heart Church, Norris

History of St. Thomas the Apostle Church

Unknown-1933  Jesuits (formerly Missouri; now Wisconsin Province,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin) established and attended St. Thomas the Apostle Mission (Brulé), Mission, Rosebud
Reservation, from St. Francis Mission, St. Francis
1933-1982  Became a parish; Jesuits administered St. Thomas the Apostle Church
1982-present  Jesuits have attended St. Thomas from St. Francis Mission

Jesuits from St. Thomas attended the following Brulé Indian missions on the Rosebud Reservation:

1934-unknown (closed)  St. Theresa Mission, Hidden Timber
1934-unknown (closed)  St. Michael Mission, Carrollton
1946-unknown (closed)  Guardian Angel Chapel, Rosebud
                        Boarding School, Rosebud
1975-1982? (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  Antelope station
1975-1982? (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  St. Agnes Church, Parmelee
1975-1982? (transferred to St. Francis, St. Francis)  St. Peter Mission, Okreek

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1846-1851, 1883-present

Volume: Approximately 2.5 cubic feet

Description: Sacramental records for St. Francis Mission and its attended Indian parishes, missions, and stations; records for the years 1846-1881 are copies from the originals at the Midwest Jesuit Archives, St. Louis, Missouri. Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, administers the archives of St. Francis Mission: