Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1884-1970

Volume: Approximately 3.5 cubic feet

Description: 13 collections include Native Catholic records:

Manuscript Collections

/1 “Coeur d’Alene Indians Agreement, Cage 1752”
Inclusive dates: 1886
Volume: 1 folder (6 pages)

Inclusive dates: Between 1884-1890
Volume: Few items
Description: U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs correspondence between Chelan, Entiat, Methow, Nespelem, Nez Perce, Okanogan, Paloo, Sanpoil, Senijextee, and Wenatchi Indians Agents and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs; re: includes dispute between Catholic and Protestant factions on the reservation; transcripts

/3 “Floor Plan of St. Paul’s Mission by Duncan McDonald, Cage 3029”
Inclusive dates: 1928
Volume: 1 item
Description: Architectural drawing of St. Paul Mission, Washington
/4 "Historical Maps Collection"
Inclusive dates: 1858-1859
Volume: 2 maps
Description: Maps (copies by Reverend Pierre-Jean de Smet, S.J.; from U.S. National Archives
A. Cotton Wood Springs Route from Fort Leavenworth to Salt Lake City, 1858
B. Indian tribal territories and missions between the Cascades and Rocky Mountains and 49th and 54th Parallels in the United States and British North America, 1859

/5 "John Joseph Augustine Joset Papers, Cage 2044"
Inclusive dates: 1858
Volume: 1 folder (7 items)
Description: Papers (copies) by Reverend John Joseph Augustine Joset, S.J.; re: Jesuit missions in the Northwest and Coeur d’Alene and Spokane Indians; from Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

/6 "Nez Perce Music Collection Fieldwork Materials, Cage 636"
Inclusive dates: 1988-1995
Volume: 3 items
Description: "'Women Never Used to War Dance': Gender and Change in Nez Perce Music," [dissertation] and research notes by Dr. Judy Jones:
A. "Cloud, Evelyn" interview, 1990, 1 audio tape and transcript; re: Nez Perce language hymns
B. "Halfmoon, Nancy" interview, 1991, 1 audio tape and transcript; re: Nez Perce language hymns

/7 "Michael O'Malley Papers, Cage 1722"
Inclusive dates: 1905-1928
Volume: 1 folder (142 pages)
B. Biographical sketch of Reverend Joseph Cataldo, S.J. from account primarily by Reverend George Weibel, S.J., 1905
C. Sacramental records (baptisms), St. Joseph's Mission, Slickpoo, Idaho, 1867-1893

/8 "John A. Simms Papers, Cage 213"
Inclusive dates: 1858-1881
Volume: Few items within approximately 1 cubic foot
Description: U.S. Office of Indian Affairs records of Colville Indian Agency; re: includes conflict between Protestant and Catholic factions on Colville Reservation.

/9 "Pierre Jean de Smet Papers, Cage 537"
Inclusive dates: 1764-1970
Volume: Approximately 3 cubic feet
Description: Personal papers of Reverend Pierre Jean de Smet, S.J. (1801-1873); Mostly in French
A. Correspondence, 1834-1905, n.d., 4 boxes; re: incoming and outgoing correspondence of de Smet, including letters to family, Jesuit officials and other missionaries, translations of the Lord’s Prayer into several Indian languages, and a Siksika glossary; notable correspondents: Reverends James Van De Velde, S.J., Missouri Province Superior, John Nobili, S.J., and Nicholas Point, S.J.

B. Legal documents, 1764-1873, 1 box; re: de Smet family probate papers and Reverend de Smet’s funeral

C. Maps, 1846, n.d., 1 box; re: includes maps “Pays des Porteurs” and “De la Mission St. Anne,” maps of the Northwest by de Smet, maps of cities in Flanders and topographical map of the road from Missouri to Oregon from the field notes of Captain John C. Fremont

D. Miscellanea, 1844-1970, n.d., 1 box; includes writings of Reverend Francis Xavier De Coen, S.J.

E. Art Work by Nicolas Point, 1841-1846, 1 box; re: pencil drawings, ink washes, and other items from Point’s travels with de Smet, including to the Kalispel, Salish, and Coeur d’Alene Indians, Sacred Heart Mission, Cataldo, Idaho, St. Mary Mission, Stevensville, Montana, and St. Ignatius Mission, Pend Oreille River, Washington

/10 “William Parkhurst Winans Papers, Cage 147”
Inclusive dates: 1904, n.d.
Volume: 2 folders
Description: Jesuit missions among Chelan, Entiat, Methow, Nespelem, Nez Perce, Okanogan, Paloo, Sanpoil, Senijextee, and Wenatchi Indians:
- Letters to/ from Winans (1836-1917) and Reverend Cataldo, S.J., 1904, 1 folder; re: Colville Mission
- St. Paul Mission, Kettle Falls, Washington, n.d, 1 folder; 1 photograph

Photograph Collections

/11 “Frank Fuller Avery, Photographs of the Colville Indian Agency, PC 19”
Inclusive date: Between 1901-1916
Volume: 1 photograph and glass-plate negative
Description: Unidentified Catholic Church near Manila Creek on the Colville reservation; by Avery while superintendent of government Indian school at Fort Spokane and inspector of Colville Agency Day Schools.

/12 “Historical Photographs Subject File Collection, PC 2”
Inclusive dates: 1930s
Volume: 17 photographs (prints)

/13 “Nez Perce Photographs Collection, PC 83”
Inclusive dates: Between ca. 1877-1905
Volume: 2 photographs
Description: Black and white prints; re: St. Joseph School, Culdesac, Idaho.