St. Francis Xavier Church
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Access: Some restrictions apply

History: St. Francis Xavier Church is a non-Indian parish that had a number of Ojibwa Indian parishioners to the 1910s.

1854-1860 Diocesan priests visited Superior (Ojibwa) from St. Joseph, La Pointe
1860-1878 Diocesan priests established and attended Assumption of Our Lady Mission (Ojibwa), Superior, from Christ Church, Bayfield; Assumption of Our Lady burned down in 1872
1878-1882 Diocesan priests established and administered St. Francis Xavier Church (Ojibwa)
1882-1910s (no longer Indian) Franciscans (Sacred Heart Province, St. Louis, Missouri) administered St. Francis Xavier

Franciscans from St. Francis Xavier attended the following Ojibwa Indian missions and stations:

1882-1894 (closed) Taylor Falls, Mora Lake, Moose Lake, Barnum, Norman, Mille Lacs, Vermillion Lake, Wold Creek, Sandy Lake, and Kettle River stations, Minnesota
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland) St. Francis of Assisi Mission, Flambeaufarm, Wisconsin
1882-1889 (became a mission) Gordon station, Wisconsin
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland) St. Anthony of Padua Mission, Pakwawong, Lac Court Oreille Reservation, Wisconsin
1882-1894 (transferred to Immaculate Conception, Red Lake) Holy Family Mission, Cloquet, Minnesota
1882-1894 (transferred to Immaculate Conception, Red Lake)  
Fond du Lac Reservation station, Minnesota
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
Trade River station, Wisconsin
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
St. Francis Solanus Mission, Reserve, Lac Court Oreille Reservation, Wisconsin
1882-1889 (became a mission)  
Bellilfalls station, Wisconsin
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission, Mouth of Yellow River, Wisconsin
1882-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
Yellow Lake station, Wisconsin
1889-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
St. Joseph Mission, Bellilfalls, Wisconsin
1889-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
St. Mary of the Angels Mission, Gordon, Wisconsin
1889-1894 (transferred to St. Agnes, Ashland)  
St. Mary of Good Counsel Mission, Solon Springs/White Birch, Wisconsin
1904-1913 (closed)  
Itasca station, Minnesota

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1855-ca. 1910s

Volume: 4 volumes

Description: Sacramental records for St. Francis Xavier Church and its Indian missions and stations.