



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans**  
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ALASKA, FAIRBANKS

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Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1885-present

Volume: Approximately 2 cubic feet

Description: 16 collections include Native Catholic records

Manuscript Collection

/1 "Brother George Feltes Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1929-ca. 1970s

Volume: Approximately .4 cubic foot

Description: Papers (copies) related to Brother George Feltes, S.J., life in Alaska and his aviation achievements, including photographs of himself, Holy Cross Mission, and Copper Valley School plus related notes and clippings.

Oral History Collections

/2 "Alaska Native Review Commission Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1984, n.d. (ca. 1980)

Volume: Approximately .1 cubic foot

Description:

- a) "Emmonak Hearing," 1984; 1 audiocassette and transcript; re: testimony by Reverend Rene Astruc, S.J.
- b) "Nome Hearing," n.d. (ca. 1980), 1 audiocassette and transcript; re: testimony by Reverend Thomas Carlin, S.J.

/3 "Bland, Laurel, Tapes"

Inclusive dates: n.d.

Volume: Approximately .4 cubic foot (8 audiocassettes and 14 open reels)

Description: Laurel Bland recollections; re: Catholic Church in Alaska and Eskimo (Inuit) religion and history.

/4 "Elders in Residence Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1986

Volume: 2 audiocassettes

Description: Recollections of "Madeline Solomon;" re: mission education, religious beliefs, and Reverend Julius Jetté, S.J.

/5 "Faces of '84 Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1984

Volume: 2 audiocassettes

Description: Includes recollections of Reverend William Loyens, S.J., 1984; re: Holy Cross and Nulato.

/6 "Feltes, Brother, Biography Tapes"

Inclusive dates: 1988

Volume: 10 audiocassettes

Description: Recollections of Brother George Feltes, S.J.

/7 "Gates of the Arctic National Park Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1992

Volume: 2 audiocassettes

Description: Recollections of "Angeline Derendoff, 1992; re: encounters with Catholic missionaries.

/8 "Here's a Pioneer Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1947

Volume: 1 open reel, in part

Description: Recollections of Reverend Bellarmine LaFortune, S.J., Fairbanks, Alaska, 1947; 1 Reel, in part; re: Alaskan experiences, including epidemics in 1900 and 1918.

/9 "Jesuit Mission in Alaska Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1983-1984

Volume: 46 audiocassettes

Description: Recollections of Brothers George Feltes, S.J., Francis Fox, S.J., Edmund Anable, S.J., and George Carrol, S.J. and Sisters Ida Brasseur, S.S.A., M. George Edmund, S.S.A., and Margaret Cantwell, S.S.A.; re: Jesuits and Sisters of St. Ann (St. Anne) missions in Alaska, including Holy Cross Mission, Holy Cross, and St. Peter Claver Mission, Nulatto.

/10 "Kodiak Oral History Project"

Inclusive dates: 1992-1996

Volume: 8 audiocassettes

Description:

- a) Billye Routzahn, 1992, 1 audiocassette and transcript; re: Kodiak earthquake and tidal wave and Catholic chapel
- b) "Florence B. Daneliuk," 1994, 1 audiocassette: St. Mary Church in Kodiak, Alaska
- c) "Judie Salas," 1996, 1 audiocassette and transcript: Driving with a nun and Immaculate Conception Church in Bethel, Alaska
- d) "Mary Cichoski," 1995, 2 audiocassettes and transcript: St. Mary Church in Kodiak, Alaska

- e) "Sister Diane Bardol, G.N.S.H." 1996, 1 audio cassette and transcript: Recollections of a Grey Nun of the Sacred Heart at St. Mary Church and School in Kodiak, Alaska
- f) "Sister Hilary's farewell from the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart," 1978-1978, 1 audio cassette: Message by Sister Hilary Sheldon and Dr. Johnson's reminiscences of the history of the Catholic Church
- g) "Sister Margaret Ann Silvey," 1993, 1 audiocassette: Recollection of the Grey Nuns in Kodiak, Alaska including at Griffin Memorial Hospital and at St. Mary School

/11 Oral History Collection

Inclusive dates: 1998, n.d.

Volume: 4 audiocassettes and some transcripts

Description:

- a) "Father Jim Kolb interviewed by Robyn L. Russell, Fairbanks, Alaska, 1998; 2 audiocassettes and transcripts; re: Jesuit volunteer, career as a priest, including at St. Nicholas Church, North Pole and St. Mark and St. Raphael Church, Fairbanks, various people known to Reverend Jim Kolb, S.J. in Alaska, including clergy, individuals at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks and the public
- b) "Father Mac" [Reverend Joseph McElmeel, S.J.], n.d.; 2 audiocassettes; re: Chaplain, Galena, St. Michaels, and Nulato, native life, teaching Catholicism and early church history in Alaska

/12 "On the Road Recording Old Timers, British Petroleum Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1991

Volume: 2 audiocassettes

Description: Oral history collection with 2 interviews Native Catholic.

- a) "Father William Loyens," 1991, 1 audio cassette; re: Holy Cross Mission and School, Jesuits, Reverend Julius Jetté, S.J., Nulato, Kaltag, Koyukon Athapascan, and St. Marys
- b) "Father Louis Renner," 1991, 1 audio cassette; re: Jesuits, Reverends George Boileau, S.J., Julius Jetté, S.J., [Thomas F.?] Healy, S.J., Bellamine LaFortune, S.J., Jim Poole, S.J., Rebeaux, S.J., and Pascal Tozi [Tosi], S.J. and Sisters of St. Anne, Hudson Stuck, KNOM Radio, Nome, King Island, Eskimo, and Eskimo language

/13 "Pioneers of Alaska, Igloo #4 Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1994

Volume: 2 audiocassettes

Description: Interview of "Martin Ott," 1994; recollections of life and the native people and Jesuits at Holy Cross Mission, 1925-1936.

/14 "Songs and Legends Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1972-1973

Volume: Approximately .05 cubic foot

Description:

- a) "Pauline Peters," 1972, 1 audiocassette and 1 open reel: Song of the Rosary, Catholic prayers, and the Ten Commandments in English and an unidentified native language
- b) "Vivian Peter," 1973, 1 audiocassette and 1 open reel: Unidentified Catholic mission.

Photography Collections

/15 "Alaskan Shepherd Photograph Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1930s

Volume: Approximately .3 cubic foot (460 items)

Description: Prints (copies) attributed to Reverend Bernard R. Hubbard, S.J.,  
re: King Island and Eskimo life; from the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska.

/16 "Father Bernard R. Hubbard Photographs"

Inclusive dates: 1920s-1930s

Volume: 53 prints

Description: By or of Reverend Bernard R. Hubbard, S.J. in northern Alaska.