



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
[See User Guide for help on interpreting entries](#)

Diocese of Juneau
ALASKA, JUNEAU

new 2006

Diocese of Juneau Archives

W-26

415 Sixth Street, Room 300
Juneau, Alaska 99801
Phone 907-2586-2227, Extension 36
<http://www.dioceseofjuneau.org/>

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30-5:00, and by appointment
Access: Some restrictions apply
Copying facilities: Yes

History: In 1966 the Diocese of Juneau was erected for southeast Alaska from a portion of the Vicariate Apostolate of Alaska. By 1910, a number of mixed-blood Catholic Indian families resulted from marriages between Indians and Pilipino immigrants. Nonetheless in 1999, the Juneau Diocese reported fewer than 1,000 baptized Native American Catholics. The Juneau Diocese and its predecessors have administered the following Indian missions and parishes:

1879-present	St. Rose of Lima Church (Tlingit), Wrangell/ Fort Wrangell
1904-present	Holy Name Church (Tlingit and Haida), Ketchikan
1904-present	Holy Family Mission (Tlingit and Haida), Metlakata
1908-ca. 1950 (no longer Indian) (Juneau, 1951)	Sacred Heart Mission (Denaina and Eskimo), Seward
1930-present	St. Gregory of Nazianzen (Tlingit), Sitka
1931-1960s (closed)	St. Pius X Mission Home (Tlingit), Skagway
1950s-ca. 1979 (no longer Indian)	Sacred Heart (Tlingit), Haines
1960-present	Sacred Heart Church (Tlingit), Hoonah
1980-present	St. Ann Mission (Tlingit), Yakutat
1992-present	Kake Mission (Tlingit)

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1885-present

Volume: Approximately .2 cubic foot

Description: The Diocese of Juneau Archives is not organized according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by record type with records located in the Archives and the Chancery Office.

Archives

/1 Bishops' Papers

Inclusive dates: 1968-1984

Volume: Few items

Description: Divided by bishop; the papers of Bishop Francis Thomas Hurley (1927-) include a few ephemeral items.

/2 Sacramental Records

Inclusive dates: 1885-present

Volume: 2 volumes and 9 reels of microfilm, in part

Description: Arranged alphabetically by location of parishes and there under by name; includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and burials for parishes and attended missions and stations; copies and some original records are included.

A. Wrangell, St. Rose of Lima Church, 1879-unknown, 2 volumes, in part

B. Diocese of Juneau (all parishes), 1885-present, 9 reels, in part

/3 Parish Files

Inclusive dates: 1966?-present

Volume: Several items within approximately 2 cubic feet

Description: Arranged alphabetically by place and there under by parish name; includes correspondence, histories and notes, maps, photographs, and reports for native and non-native parishes with at least a few native parishioners and/or attended native missions; 1 or more folders/parish.

A. Haines, Sacred Heart Church, 1966?-present, .1 cubic foot

B. Hoonah, Sacred Heart Church, 1971-present, .2 cubic foot; includes photograph of painting of parish's crucifix in the Tlingit tradition by Claudia McConnel, 1971

C. Juneau, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral, 1966?-present, .4 cubic foot

D. Juneau, St. Paul the Apostle Church, 1966?-present, .2 cubic foot

E. Klawock, St. John by the Sea Church, 1966?-present, .2 cubic foot

F. Petersburg, St. Catherine of Siena Church, 1966?-present, .2 cubic foot

G. Skagway, St. Mark's Church and St. Therese Church, 1898-present, .2 cubic foot

H. Sitka, St. Gregory of Nazianzen Church, 1966?-present, .2 cubic foot

I. Wrangell, St. Rose of Lima Church, 1966?-present, .2 cubic foot

J. Yakutat, St. Ann Mother of Mary Church, 1972-present, .1 cubic foot

/4 Diocesan Newspaper

Inclusive dates: 1970-present

Volume: Few articles

Description: *The Inside Passage*, <http://www.dioceseofjuneau.org/inside.htm>, includes very few articles on American Indians and Catholic evangelization in the diocese.

Chancery Office

/1 Bishops' Papers

Inclusive dates: 1996-present

Volume: Few items within .1 cubic foot

Description: Bishop Michael William Warfel (1948-).

/2 Parish Files

Inclusive dates: 1921-present

Volume: Few items within .1 cubic foot

Description: Arranged alphabetically by location of parishes and there under by name; includes correspondence, histories and notes, maps, photographs, and reports for parishes and attended missions and stations.

/3 Personnel Records

Inclusive dates: 1966?-present

Volume: Few folders

Description: Arranged alphabetically by surname with 1 folder/person; includes a few Jesuits and Oblates of Mary Immaculate.