



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Diocese of Fairbanks
 ALASKA, ST MARYS

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Church of the Nativity

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History of St. Mary's Mission and School and Church of the Nativity

1894-1951	Jesuits (formerly Turin, Canada, and California; now Oregon Province, Portland, Oregon) established and administered St. Mary's Mission (Eskimo and Ingalik), Akulurak
1894-1898 (closed)	Jesuits and the Sisters of St. Anne/Ann (Lachine, Quebec, Canada) established and administered St. Mary's School (Eskimo and Ingalik), Akulurak
1905-1973 (closed)	Jesuits and Ursulines (Western Province, Santa Rosa, California) established and administered St. Mary's School
1951	St. Mary's Mission and School moved to St. Marys on the Andreafsky River
1951-1987 (closed)	Jesuits and Ursulines staffed St. Mary's School
1951-1972	Jesuits administered St. Mary's Mission
1972-present	Became a parish and renamed; Jesuits have administered Church of the Nativity/ St. Mary's
1991-present	Diocesan Native American Ministries based at Church of the Nativity
1992-present	Native Ministries Training Center/ Conference Center based at Church of the Nativity

Jesuits from St. Mary's established and attended the following Eskimo missions and stations:

1890s-1914 (became a Mission; transferred to Our Lady, Russian Mission and Church of Mary, Marshall)	Pilot Station
1899-1943 (became a parish)	St. Ignatius Mission, Alakanuk
1890s-1921 (became a mission)	Mountain Village station

1943-1951

Sacred Heart Mission Emmonak; also attended
from Sheldon Point and other locations

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: ca. 1894-present

Volume: Several volumes

Description: Sacramental records for Church of the Nativity/ St. Mary's
Mission and its attended Eskimo missions and station.