



Guide to Catholic-Related Records outside the U.S. about Native Americans
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History: The Oblates of Mary Immaculate made their first Canadian foundation in 1841. They erected the Saint-Boniface Mission Vicariate (Sainte-Boniface, Manitoba) in 1851 for Canada west of the Great Lakes, the Saint-Albert Mission Vicariate (Sainte-Albert, Alberta) in 1865 for western Canada, and the Manitoba Province in 1904, which succeeded the Saint-Albert Vicariate. The Oblates of Mary Immaculate established St. Paul's Province in 1973. Previously Oblates of Mary Immaculate from British Columbia have administered the following Indian and Eskimo missions and institutions in the United States:

1847-1852	St. Anne Mission (Cayuse), Wallula, Washington
1847-1856	St. Rose Mission (Yakama), Yakima River, Washington
1847-1856 (closed)	St. Joseph/ Ahtanum Mission (Yakama), Yakima, Washington
1867-1887	St. Stanislaus/ St. Paul the Apostle Mission (Koyukon), Kokrines, Alaska
1868-1901	Our Lady of Seven Dolours Mission (Tulalip), Tulalip, Washington
1873-1887	St. Michael Mission (Eskimo), St. Michael, Alaska
1879-1887	St. Rose of Lima Church (Tlingit) Wrangell/ Fort Wrangell, Alaska
1887	Holy Cross Mission, School and Orphanage (Eskimo), Holy Cross/ Koserefsky, Alaska
1887	St. Mary's Missions (Eskimo and Ingalik), Akularak, Alaska
1887	St. Aloysius Mission (Eskimo), Tanana, Alaska

Holding of Catholic-related records about Native Americans in the United States are unknown. However, they are believed to include papers of Reverend E. Casimir Chirouse, O.M.I., and Bishop Augustin Magloire Alexandre Blanchet, the first bishop of Vancouver Island.