



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the East about Native Americans**

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*Diocese of Portland in Maine*  
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Established in 1853, the Diocese of Portland originally included the present States of Maine and New Hampshire. Previously Portland was part of the Archdioceses of Quebec, ----, Baltimore, 1784?-1808, and Boston, 1808-1853. From 1605-present, evangelization of the Abenaki, Penobscot, Passamaquoddy Indians within the present-day Portland diocese has been continued intermittently by Jesuits, Capuchins, Dominicans, Society of Foreign Missions (Quebec, Canada), Sulpicians, and diocesan priests.

Holdings of Native Catholic records are unknown.