



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the Midwest about Native Americans**  
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*Diocese of Marquette*  
 MICHIGAN, MARQUETTE

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History: The Vicariate Apostolate of Upper Michigan was erected in 1853 for the upper peninsula of Michigan and adjacent northern Wisconsin (to 1868) from a portion of the Diocese of Detroit. The Diocese of Sault Sainte Marie succeeded the vicariate in 1857 and was renamed the Diocese of Sault Sainte Marie and Marquette in 1865 and the Diocese of Marquette in 1937. Within this area the following missions and parishes have served the Ojibwa, Ottawa, and Potawatomi Indians in Michigan and the Menominee and Ojibwa Indians in Wisconsin:

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| 1660-unknown (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | Keweenaw Bay Mission (Ojibwa),<br>Keweenaw Bay                                       |
| 1670-unknown (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | St. Ignace Mission (Ojibwa and<br>Ottawa), St. Ignace/ Straits of<br>Mackinac        |
| 1829-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | Holy Childhood of Jesus/ St. Peter<br>Church, Harbor Springs, Michigan               |
| 1830-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | St. Mary Mission, Burt Lake/<br>Sheboygan Village, Michigan                          |
| 1832-1893(closes) (Marquette, 1854-<br>1868)                     | St. Leopold Mission, Beaver Island,<br>Michigan                                      |
| 1833-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | St. Ignatius/ St. Francis Xavier<br>Mission, Middle Village/<br>Middletown, Michigan |
| 1834-ca. 1920s (no longer Indian)<br>(Marquette, 1853-ca. 1920s) | Holy Name of Mary Church, Sault<br>Sainte Marie, Michigan                            |
| 1835-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)                              | St. Joseph Mission, La Pointe,<br>Wisconsin  |
| 1837-ca. 1920s (no longer Indian)<br>(Marquette, 1853-ca. 1930s) | St. Ignatius Loyola Church, St.<br>Ignace, Michigan                                  |
| ca. 1840-present (Marquette, 1854-<br>1868)                      | Holy Cross/ St. Anthony's Church,<br>Cross Village, Michigan                         |
| 1843-present (Marquette, 1853-present)                           | Most Holy Name of Jesus Church,<br>Assinins, Michigan                                |

1843-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)	St. Michael/ St. Francis Xavier Church, Keshena, Wisconsin
1853-present (Marquette, 1854-1868)	Immaculate Conception/St. Mary Mission, Peshabestown/ Eagle
1855-ca. 1860s (closes)	Immaculate Conception of Mary Mission, Garden Island, Michigan
1855-ca. 1910s (no longer Indian) (Marquette, 1855-1868)	St. Francis Xavier/ Assumption of Our Lady Mission, Superior, Wisconsin
1857-1880 (transferred to Jesuits, now Upper Canada Province, Toronto, Ontario)	Our Savior, Friend of Children Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1859-1897 (closes), 1927-ca.1937 (closes) (Marquette, 1859-1868)	St. Francis Solano Mission, Petoskey, Michigan
1860-present (Marquette, 1860-1868)	Holy Family/ Christ's Church, Bayfield, Wisconsin
1861-1899 (closes) (Marquette, 1861-1868)	St. Ignatius Mission, Beaver Island, Michigan
1862-1880 (transferred to Jesuits, now Upper Canada Province, Toronto, Ontario); 1894-1930 (closes)	St. Joseph Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1872-ca. 1880s (no longer Indian)	St. Joseph Mission, L'Anse, Michigan
1884-ca. 1920s (no longer Indian)	Sacred Heart Church, DeTour, Michigan
1885-1960 (closes)	St. Lawrence Mission, Indian Point, Michigan
1886-ca. 1920s (no longer Indian)	St. Ann's Mission, Baraga, Michigan
1894-1943 (closes)	St. Teresa Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1899-1946 (closes)	Our Lady of the Snows Mission, Hessel, Michigan
1906-1916 (closes)	Keweenaw Bay Mission, Michigan
1923-present	Sacred Heart Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1939-present	St. Catherine Mission, Bay Mills, Michigan
1941-1960 (closes)	St. Florence Mission, Drummond Island, Michigan
1941-1960 (closes)	Holy Angels Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1942-1960 (closes)	St. Aloysius Mission, Neebish Island, Michigan
1943-1960 (closes)	Ss. John and Anne Mission, Sugar Island, Michigan
1946-1982 (closes)	St. Kateri/ St. James Mission, Harris/ Hannahville, Michigan
1947-1958 (no longer Indian)	Sacred Heart Mission, Stonington, Michigan
1949-present	St. Isaac Jogues Church, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan
1949-present	St. Catherine Mission, Zeba, Michigan
1953-1961 (closes)	Our Lady of the Way Mission, Eckerman, Michigan

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans in 1984: At that time, this repository entry reported 3.85 cubic feet of diocesan archival records about Native Americans, 1695-1980, which at that time were held in the diocesan Pastoral Office and nearby St. Christopher Church, Marquette. The Pastoral Office held 2.05 cubic feet of records comprised of parish files, 1938-present, school records, 1923-1961, financial and statistical reports, 1957-1980s, subject files, 1971-1980, and sacramental records, 1695-1982. St. Christopher's held 1.85 cubic feet of records, comprised of an announcement book, 1918-1935, sacramental records, 1928-1972, Ojibwa language records, 1930s-1940s, and subject files, 1920s-1960s.

Since then, the diocese established the Diocese of Marquette Archives in conjunction with the existing Bishop Baraga Association Archives. In 2006, the Diocese of Marquette Archives reported that neither the former Pastoral Office nor St. Christopher's held diocesan archives and that the whereabouts were unknown for all archival records reported in 1984. Research by the Midwest Jesuit Archives suggests that the former St. Christopher's records were apparently transferred to the Detroit Province Jesuit Archives. However, in 1997, the Detroit Province Jesuit Archives merged with the Midwest Jesuit Archives in St. Louis and the former St. Christopher's records were not among the Detroit Province records transferred to the Midwest Jesuit Archives.

Holdings of Catholic records about Native Americans in 2008:

Inclusive dates: 1865-present

Volume: Scant amount

See also M-49, Bishop Baraga Association Archives, Marquette, Michigan.

/1 Jacker, Reverend Edward, Papers

Inclusive dates: 1865-1887, n.d.

Volume: Few of 85 letters

Description: Correspondence includes a few references regarding Ojibwa Indian missions and parishioners.

/2 Diocesan Newspaper

Inclusive dates: 1946-ongoing

Volume: Several articles

Description: *The U.P. Catholic*, formerly *The Upper Peninsula Catholic News*, is the official newspaper of the diocese. It includes occasional articles pertaining to Ojibwa Indian parishes. Since December, 2005, selected articles have been archived online,

<http://www.dioceseofmarquette.org/upcarchive.asp>.