



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the Midwest about Native Americans
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Diocese of Sioux Falls
SOUTH DAKOTA, SIOUX FALLS

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History: In 1879 the Vicariate Apostolic of Dakota was erected for Dakota Territory from a portion of the Diocese of St. Paul. The Diocese of Sioux Falls succeeded the vicariate in 1889. The Sioux Falls Diocese has included the following Indian evangelization in North and South Dakota:

1876-present (Sioux Falls, 1879-1889)	St. Peter Church (Hunkpapa), Fort Yates, Standing Rock Reservation, North Dakota
1880-1881(closed)	St. Ann Chapel and School (Yankton), Wheeler, South Dakota
1880-1971(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1880-1902)	Assumption / St. Benedict's Church, (Hunkpapa), Kenel, Standing Rock Reservation, South Dakota
1882-present (Sioux Falls, 1882-1889)	St. John Church (Cree, Métis, and Ojibwa), St. John, North Dakota
1883-1894(no longer Indian) (Sioux Falls, 1883-1889)	St. Paul Mission (Ojibwa), Tarsus, North Dakota
1885-present (Sioux Falls,1885-1889)	Our Lady of Seven Dolours Church (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Fort Totten, Fort Totten Reservation, North Dakota
1886-present (Sioux Falls, 1886-1902)	St. Francis Mission (Brulé), St. Francis, Rosebud Reservation, South Dakota
1887-present (Sioux falls, 1887-1902)	St. Bede Mission (Hunkpapa), Wakpala, Standing Rock Reservation, South Dakota
1887-present (Sioux Falls, 1887-1889)	St. Ann Church (Métis and Ojibwa), Belcourt, Turtle Mountain Reservation, North Dakota
1887-present (Sioux Falls, 1887-1889)	St. Anthony Mission (Métis and Ojibwa), Alcide/ Laureat, North Dakota

1887-present	Immaculate Conception Church (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Stephan, Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota
1888-present (Sioux Falls, 1888-1902)	Holy Rosary Mission (Oglala), Pine Ridge, Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota
1890-present (Sioux Falls, 1890-1902)	St. Aloysius Mission (Hunkpapa), Bullhead, Standing Rock Reservation, South Dakota
1892-1959(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1892-1902)	Corpus Christi Church (Sans Arc), Cheyenne Agency, Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota
1894-present (Sioux Falls, 1894-1902)	St. Joseph Church (Sans Arc), Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota
1894-present	St. Matthew/ St. Andrew Mission (Sisseton and Wahpeton), Veblen, Sisseton Reservation, South Dakota
1895-present (Sioux Falls, 1895-1902)	St. Mary Mission (Brulé), Lower Brule, Lower Brule Reservation, South Dakota
1896-1903(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1896-1902)	St. Catherine Mission (Sans Arc), Bad River, Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota
1896-1950(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1896-1902)	St. Edward Mission (Hunkpapa), Mad Bears Camp, Standing Rock Reservation, South Dakota
1897-present	St. Joseph Church (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Fort Thompson/ Crow Creek, Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota
1899-present (Sioux Falls, 1899-1902)	St. Peter Mission (Brulé), Okreek/ Oak Creek, Rosebud Reservation, South Dakota
1899-present (Sioux Falls, 1899-1902)	St. Ignatius Mission (Brulé), White River, South Dakota
1901-1959(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1901-1902)	St. Joseph Mission (Oglala), Hisle/ Bear Creek, South Dakota
1901-ca. 1973(closes) (Sioux Falls, 1901-1902)	St. Peter Mission (Oglala), St. Peter/Wounded Knee Creek, Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota
1901-present (Sioux Falls, 1901-1902)	Sacred Heart Church (Oglala), Pine Ridge, Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota
1913-1981(closed) (Sioux Falls, 1913-1923)	Divine Infant Mission (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Fort George, Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota
1915-present	St. John Mission (Yankton), Greenwood, South Dakota
1917-1978(closed)	St. Francis Solano Mission (Yankton), Lake Andes/ White Swan, South Dakota
1917-present	St. Catherine/ Sacred Heart Mission (Yankton), Big Bend, South Dakota
1923-1946(closed)	St. Benedict Mission (Brulé), Soldier Creek, Rosebud Reservation, South Dakota
1923-1965(closed)	St. Benedict Mission (Sisseton and

1927-present	Wahpeton), Peevey Ranch, South Dakota St. Joseph Indian School (various), Chamberlain, South Dakota
1935-1938 (closed)	Our Lady of the Snows Mission (Sisseton and Wahpeton), South Dakota
1936-ca. 1957 (closed)	Good Shepherd Mission (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Grace Mission, South Dakota
1938-1958 (closed)	St. Gregory Mission (Yankton), Greenwood/Missouri Bottom, South Dakota
1938-present	Tekakwitha Indian Children's Home (Sisseton and Wahpeton), Sisseton, South Dakota
1940-1965 (closed)	St. Catherine of Sienna Mission (Yankton), Rising Hail Colony, South Dakota
1956-1982 (closed)	St. John Mission (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Pierre, South Dakota
1956-present	St. Joseph Mission (Sisseton and Wahpeton), Pickerel Lake, South Dakota
1958-present	St. Catherine Mission (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Sisseton, South Dakota
1980-present	Kateri Indian Center (Santee, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1839-present

Volume: 1.8 cubic feet and 6 rolls of microfilm

Description: 4 series include Native Catholic records:

Bishops' Papers, Bishop Martin Marty, O.S.B. (1834-1896): In *Bishop Martin Marty, "The Black Robe Lean Chief,"* ca. 1980, Robert F. Karolevitz states that in 1896 most papers of Bishop Marty were destroyed by his successor, Bishop Thomas O'Gorman.

/1 Mission Files

Inclusive dates: 1897, 1926-1978

Volume: 1.3 cubic feet

Description: This series consists of correspondence and is arranged alphabetically by location of the mission or the name of the institution or the order.

- A. "Blue Cloud Abbey," 1969-1978, .15 cubic foot: major correspondents include Bishop Lambert Hoch, Abbot Gilbert Hess, O.S.B., and Abbot Alan Berndt, O.S.B.
- B. "Chamberlain, St. Joseph's Indian School," 1927-1967, .1 cubic foot: major correspondents include Reverend Henry Hogeback, S.C.J., Reverend Joseph Speyer, S.C.J., Reverend Richard Kiefer, S.C.J., Reverend Gregory Bezy, S.C.J., Reverend George Pinger, S.C.J., Reverend Jude Blaszyk, S.C.J., Bishop Bernard J. Mahoney, Bishop William O. Brady, and Bishop Lambert Hoch

- C. "Flandreau, Ss. Simon and Jude Church," 1946-1964, 1 folder:
correspondence contains references to the Flandreau Government Indian School; major correspondents include Reverend George E. Kelly, Reverend Felix McCabe, Bishop William Brady, and Bishop Lambert Hoch
- D. "Marty, St. Paul's Mission and School," 1926, 1930, 1934-1943, 1946-1978, .4 cubic foot: major correspondents include Reverend Sylvester Eisenman, O.S.B., Reverend Gaulbert Brunsman, O.S.B., Reverend George Lyon, O.S.B., Reverend Michael O'Reilly, O.S.B., Bishop Bernard Mahoney, Bishop William Brady, Bishop Lambert Hoch, and the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions
- E. "Marty Oblate Sisters," (Oblate Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, Marty, South Dakota), 1930s-1967, 1974-1978, .3 cubic foot: major correspondents include the sister superiors at the motherhouse, Bishop Bernard Mahoney, Bishop William Brady, Bishop Lambert Hoch, and Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, Bensalem, Pennsylvania
- F. "Sisseton, St. Peter's Church and Tekakwitha Mission and Orphanage," 1934-1967, .2 cubic foot: major correspondents include Reverend John Pohlen, O.S.B., Bishop Bernard Mahoney, Bishop William Brady, and Bishop Lambert Hoch
- G. "Stephan, Immaculate Conception Mission and School, and Fort Thompson, St. Joseph's Church," 1897, 1933-1968, .1 cubic foot: major correspondents include Reverend Justin Snyder, O.S.B., Reverend Augustine Edele, O.S.B., Bishop Bernard Mahoney, Bishop William Brady, and Bishop Lambert Hoch

/2 Financial and Statistical Reports

Inclusive dates: 1914-present

Volume: .4 cubic foot

Description: This series is arranged alphabetically by location of the mission. Reports appear annually for each Indian mission.

/3 Sacramental Records

Inclusive dates: 1839-1957

Volume: 6 reels of microfilm

Description: This series is on microfilm and is arranged alphabetically by location of the mission. The sacramental records were filmed in 1957.

- A. Britton, St. John de Britto Church, 1906-1913: includes records for St. Matthew/ St. Andrew Mission, Veblen
- B. Flandreau, Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 1893-1957: includes records for students at the Flandreau Government Indian School
- C. Marty, St. Paul Mission, 1839-1957
- D. Pierre, Ss. Peter and Paul Church, 1884-1885, ca.1891-1956: includes records for the Crow Creek Reservation and for students at the Pierre Government Indian School
- E. Sisseton, St. Catherine Church and the Sisseton Reservation Missions, 1895-1957
- F. Stephan, Immaculate Conception Mission, 1884-1957

/4 Diocesan Newspaper

Inclusive dates: 1947-present

Volume: .1 cubic foot

Description: The *Bishop's Bulletin* contains articles on or references to Indian mission and school activity within the diocese.