



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the Midwest about Native Americans
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Diocese of Gaylord
 MICHIGAN, PETOSKEY

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St. Francis Xavier Church

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History:

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| 1859-1897 (closed) | Diocesan priests established and attended St. Francis Solano Mission (Ottawa), Petoskey, from Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs |
| 1879-1881 | Diocesan priests established and attended St. Francis Xavier Mission (Ottawa) from Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs |
| 1881-1884 | Became a parish; diocesan priests administered St. Francis Xavier Church |
| 1884-1897 (no longer Indian) | Franciscans (Sacred Heart Province, St. Louis, Missouri) attended St. Francis Xavier from Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs |
| 1897-present | Franciscans have administered St. Francis Xavier |
| 1927-ca. 1937 (closed) | Franciscans restored St. Francis Solano Mission |

Franciscans from St. Francis Xavier attended the following missions and stations among the Ojibwa and Ottawa Indians:

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| 1897-1899 (closed) | St. Ignatius Mission, Beaver Island |
| 1897-1905 (transferred to Holy Cross, Beaver Island) | Garden Island station |
| 1897-1905 (transferred to Holy Cross, Beaver Island) | High Island station |
| 1897-1918 (transferred to Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs) | St. Joseph Mission, Elbridge |
| 1897-1918 (transferred to Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs) | Fern station |
| 1897-1918 (transferred to Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs) | St. Mary Mission, Peshabestown |
| 1897-1920 (closed) | Blessed Sacrament Mission, Elk Rapids |
| 1897-1929 (transferred to St. Mary's, Charlevoix) | St. Francis Solanus Mission, Bay Shore |
| 1910-1918 (transferred to Holy | Garden Island station |

Childhood, Harbor Springs)	
1910-1918 (transferred to Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs)	St. Joseph Mission, High Island
1927-ca. 1937 (closed)	St. Francis Solano Mission, Petoskey
1929-1938 (closed)	Sacred Heart Mission, Garden Island
1929-1939 (closes)	St. Joseph Mission, High Island
1929-1947 (transferred to St. Clement's, Pellston)	St. Mary Mission, Burt Lake
1929-1947 (transferred to Holy Cross, Cross Village)	St. Ignatius Mission, Middle Village
1929-1948 (transferred to St. Wenceslaus, Omena)	Immaculate Conception Mission, Peshabestown
1947-1948 (transferred to Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs)	St. Francis Solanus Mission, Bay Shore
1955-present	St. Francis Solanus Mission, Bay Shore

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1881-present

Volume: 1 cubic foot

Description: Sacramental records for:

- A. St. Francis Xavier Church and its Indian missions and stations: baptisms, marriages, and deaths, 1881-present; first communions, 1885-present; and confirmations, 1883-present
- B. St. Francis Solanus, Bay Shore: baptisms and deaths, 1902-present; marriages, 1901-present; first communions, 1910-present; and confirmations, 1920-present

Although St. Francis Solanus Mission, Bay Shore was attended from St. Mary's, Charlevoix, 1929-1947, and Holy Childhood, Harbor Springs, 1948-1955, the sacramental records for these years are at St. Francis Xavier Church.