



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans

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Copying Facilities: Yes

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1888-1980s

Volume: Approximately 33.5 cubic feet

Description: "Crow Catholic Research Collection, Accession No. 3289101;"

Records (copies) compiled by Sister Karen Watembach, O.S.U.; loaned by Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass.

- A. Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions Records, Marquette University with notes and index, 1874-1974; Series 1, Correspondence, Series 2, Reports, *The Indian Sentinel*, and *The Calumet*; re: Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass, St. Charles Mission, Pryor, and St. Xavier Mission and School, St. Xavier, plus Jesuits and Ursulines
- B. Great Falls Diocesan Archives, 1911-1981: Parish files with correspondence between bishops and Jesuits, clippings, and parish histories and Reports and Applications for Aid to the Commission for the Catholic Missions among the Colored People and the Indians, re: Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass, St. Charles Mission, Pryor, and St. Xavier Mission and School, St. Xavier, plus Jesuits and Ursulines
- C. Jesuits Oregon Province Archives, Gonzaga University (major source, many copies) and Catholic University of America Archives (minor source, few copies)
 1. Crow language texts, re: dictionary, grammar, and Christian catechetical and worship aids, n.d.
 2. Census of Crow Indian families, 1902, 1907-1909
 3. Correspondence, 1880-1962; includes letters by Reverend Joseph M. Cataldo, S.J., Reverend Peter P. Prando, S.J., and the U.S. Office of Indian Affairs, re: Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass, St. Charles Mission, Pryor, and St. Xavier Mission and School, St. Xavier, plus Jesuits, Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, (Oldenburg, Indiana), and Ursulines
 4. History of the 50 Years of My Missionary Life Among Indians and Whites, Reverend Edward Griva, S.J., 1944

5. Jesuit House Diaries, 1893-1933
- D. Religious Education Files, 1967-1978, n.d.; re: St. Dennis Church, Crow Agency, Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass, St. Charles Mission, Pryor, and St. Anthony Church, Wyola
- E. General Mission and Church, 1945-1987, n.d.; re: correspondence, meeting minutes, and newsletters from St. Xavier Mission and School, St. Xavier, Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass, St. Dennis Church, Crow Agency, St. Charles Church, Pryor, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church, Wyola, St. Labre Mission (Cheyenne and Crow), Ashland; and Tekakwitha Conference
- F. Sacramental records, St. Xavier Mission and St. Charles Mission, 1883-1926, 4 volumes; re: baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and burials
- G. Scrapbooks, 1958-1978, 10 volumes; re: Crow Indian clippings, photographs, and memorabilia; volume 3, re: Our Lady of Loretto Church, Lodge Grass
- H. Photo Albums, 1982-1984, n.d., 15 volumes; re: Crow Fair and school and church celebrations; includes copies from the Jesuits Oregon Province Archives, Gonzaga University and the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions Records, Marquette University
- I. Photo Slides, 4 volumes, n.d.
- J. Audiotapes, 1976-1984, n.d.; re: Crow Indian songs and stories, Gospel readings in Crow, boarding school reminiscences, Crow Indian clans and ceremonies, Joy Toineeta (Crow), Sister Karen Watembach, O.S.U., and Reverend Nigro, S.J.
- K. Photographs, 1909-ca. 1938, 15 prints; available online in "Images of the Indian Peoples of the Northern Great Plains Online Image database, <http://www.lib.montana.edu/epubs/nadb/index.html>."
1. St. Ann Mission and Crow Indians, Lodge Grass, 1908; 1 print
 2. St. Charles's Mission and Crow Indians, Pryor, 1939, 1945; 4 prints
 3. St. James Mission and Crow Indians, Pryor, 1909, 1922; 2 prints
 4. St. Xavier Mission and Crow Indians, St. Xavier, 1923-1960s, n.d.; 6 prints
 5. St. Anthony Mission and Crow Indians, Wyola, 1925; 1 print
 6. St. Dennis Church, Crow Agency, Montana, n.d.; 1 print