



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans**  
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**Fray Angélico Chávez History Library  
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Access: No restrictions  
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Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1551-1996, n.d.

Volume: Approximately 6 cubic feet

Description: 11 collections include Native Catholic records.

/1 "Adolph Bandelier Collection, AC 012"

Inclusive dates: 1880-1914

Volume: Few items

Description: Correspondence, journals, and published and unpublished manuscripts by Bandelier and his wife Fanny Ritter Bandelier; re: Indians and missions in Arizona and New Mexico and Chihuahua and Sonora, Mexico; also drafts of manuscripts prepared for Pope Leo XIII: a "History of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission, Zuni, New Mexico" and a "History of the Colonization of the Missions."

/2 "Lansing B. Bloom Collection, AC 020"

Inclusive dates: Between 1551-1940

Volume: Few items

Description: A report (copy) translated into English re: activities of Fray Alonso Benavides, O.F.M. in New Mexico, and notes detailing Franciscan missionaries in New Mexico to 1851; primarily from the Archivo General de Indias, Seville, Spain, the Biblioteca Nacional, Mexico City, Mexico, and the Biblioteca Archignasio Mezzofanti-Manoscritti, Bologna, Italy.

/3 "Fray Angélico Chávez Collection, AC 040"

Inclusive dates: 1929-1996

Volume: Approximately 2 cubic feet

Description: Correspondence, clippings, manuscripts, and biographical notes by Fray Angélico Chávez, O.F.M., re: San Felipe, Santo Domingo and Cochiti Pueblos and Franciscans and the Catholic Church in New Mexico.

/4 "Consuelo and Nora Chávez Collection, AC 287"

Inclusive dates: 1927-1996

Volume: Approximately 1.5 cubic feet

Description: Primarily the life and early career of Fray Angélico Chávez, O.F.M.

/5 "Coeur d'Alene Indian Picture Book Collection, AC 045"

Inclusive dates: 1908, n.d. (18-)

Volume: 1 volume with letter

Description: Notebook of pencil drawings depicting people and Catholic symbols attributed to an unknown Coeur d'Alene Indian artist with transmittal letter from donor Mrs. C.K. Smith to Edgar Hewett, U.S. Bureau of Ethnology.

/6 "John L. Kessel Collection, AC 122"

Inclusive dates: 1582-1981

Volume: Approximately 1 cubic foot

Description: Records (mostly copies) from the Archivo General de la Nación, Mexico City, Mexico and Kessel's manuscript, re: the "Salinas missions in New Mexico: La Natividad de Nuestra Señora de Chilili, San Gregorio de Abó, San Miguel de Tajique, Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción de Quarai and San Isidro/ San Buenaventura de Las Humanas (Gran Quivira)."

/7 "Father Juan Miguel Menchero Collection, AC 146-P"

Inclusive dates: 1752-1968

Volume: 1 folder

Description: Correspondence (includes copies) by Fray Menchero, O.F.M. to/from Captain Tomás Velez Cachupin of New Mexico, re: request and agreement to assist in constructing Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Anthony Missions, Sandia Pueblo, New Mexico.

/8 "Mission at Old Acoma Foundation Records, AC 342"

Inclusive dates: 1988-1992

Volume: Approximately .5 cubic foot

Description: Meeting agendas, schedules, correspondence, financial reports, and isometric drawings, re: restoration of San Esteban del Rey Mission, Acoma Pueblo, New Mexico.

/9 "Mauro Montoya Collection, AC 152"

Inclusive dates: 1709-1949

Volume: 5 folders

Description: Franciscans and Indians in New Mexico:

- a. "List of Franciscan Priests," Sept. 1694, Folder A-2: Names of the priests assigned to various pueblos
- b. "Prayerbook," 1709 reprint, Folder A-3: *Manuel de Exercisios Para los Desagravios de Christo Senor N. Dedicado Al Gloriso, Patriarcha San Joseph*
- c. "Letter from Father Antonio Jose Martinze, Taos to Prefect Pablo Gallegos," May 11, 1846, Folder 15: Complaint and response, re: José Maria Valdez
- d. "Medical Report and Records," August 1915, Folder 9: Post mortem examination of Reverend Juan Francisco Padilla, Isleta, New Mexico

- e. "Letters of Amado Chavez to Governor L.B. Prince," January 18-19, 1915, Folder 10: 2 letters, re: Reverend Juan Francisco Padilla, his death, reburial, and exhumation

/10 "W.P.A. New Mexico Collection, AC 228"

Inclusive dates: 1936-1940

Volume: 6 manuscripts

Description: Accounts collected by the Federal Writer's Project of the Works Progress Administration in New Mexico:

- a. 5-4-15 #1, "The Acoma Pueblo," n.d.: Building Acoma Mission and the Enchanted Mesa as told by Charles Lummmis and Mr. Stallings to B.A. Reuter
- b. 5-5-3 #3, "Conclusions of the Ecclesiastical Commission that investigated an apparition of the body of Father Juan Francisco Padilla [O.F.M.] at Isleta;" translation of an 1896 newspaper account collected by Simeon Tejada
- c. 5-5-50 #16, "Hands that Built America: the Missions:" Spanish missionaries and how they taught various crafts to the Indians
- d. 5-5-53 #12, "The Old Church of Jemez:" Account of the church structure
- e. 5-4-15 #10, "Acoma Pueblo:" Attitudes toward the Catholic Church collected by B.A. Reuter
- f. 5-5-9 #11, "How the Name Pecos may have Come to be Applied to the Pecos Pueblo and River:" in part by Reverend Edward Paulhan, pastor at St. Anthony Padua Church, Pecos, collected by B.A. Reuter

/11 "Artwork and Engravings"

Inclusive dates: 1850s-1898, n.d.

Volume: At least 15 items

Description: Missions and related Indian festivals in Arizona, Tucson, San Xavier del Bac Mission; and New Mexico, Acoma Pueblo, San Estevan del Rey Mission; Taos Pueblo, San Gerónimo Mission; and Zuni Pueblo, Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission.