



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Diocese of Gallup
NEW MEXICO, SHIPROCK

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Christ the King Church

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Access: Some restrictions apply

History:

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| Ca. 1899-1924 | Franciscans (St. John the Baptist Province, Cincinnati, Ohio) visited the Shiprock Agency of the Navajo Reservation in Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah |
| 1924-1987 | Reverend Marcellus Troester, O.F.M. established and Franciscans (formerly St. John the Baptist; now Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Albuquerque, New Mexico) administered Christ the King Church (Navajo) |
| 1987-1996, 2000-present
1996-2000 | Diocesan priests have administered Christ the King Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People (Bensalem, Pennsylvania) administered Christ the King |

Franciscans from Christ the King attended the following Indian stations in the "Four Corners" area:

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| ca. 1925-ca. 1970 | Red Rock station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation
Arizona |
| 1926-1942 (transferred to
St. Margaret Mary,
Cortez, Colorado) | Towoac station (Ute), Ute Mountain Reservation,
Colorado |
| 1936-1941 | Blanding station (Navajo), Utah |
| 1936-ca. 1970 | Toadlena station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, New
Mexico |
| 1936-ca. 1970 | Sanastee station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, New
Mexico |
| 1937-1941 | Rattlesnake station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation,
New Mexico |
| 1937-1942 | Kinbito station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, New
Mexico |
| 1937-ca. 1965 | Fruitland station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation,
New Mexico |
| 1937-ca. 1965 | Beclabito station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation,
New Mexico |

1937-1968	Nava station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, New Mexico
1937-ca. 1970	Cove station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, Arizona
1945-1946 (transferred to Good Shepherd, East Carbon, Utah)	St. Joseph Mission (Navajo and Paiute), Monticello, Utah
1952-ca. 1971	Teec-nos-pas station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, Arizona
ca. 1952	Aneth station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, Utah
dates unknown	Huerfano station (Navajo), Navajo Reservation, New Mexico

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1912-present

Volume: Approximately 3.5 cubic feet

Description: The records at Christ the King Church are not arranged according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by record type.

A. Sacramental records

Inclusive dates: 1925-present

Volume: 9 volumes

Description: includes baptisms, 1925-present, 4 volumes; first communions and confirmations combined, 1928-present, 2 volumes; marriages, 1925-present, 1 volume; and deaths (burials), 1947-present, 2 volumes.

B. Parish census

Inclusive dates: 1929-present

Volume: Approximately 2 cubic feet

Description: Arranged alphabetically by surname (in Navajo); includes the Shiprock Agency of the Navajo Reservation.

C. History file

Inclusive dates: 1912-present

Volume: Approximately 1 cubic foot

Description: Clippings, correspondence, histories, pamphlets, and pertinent issues of the *Padres Trail*.