



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans**  
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*Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon*  
OREGON, BEAVERTON

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**Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon Archives**

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Hours: By appointment only  
Access: Some restrictions apply  
Copying Facilities: Yes

History: The Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon were founded in 1886 as the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood and changed to their current name in 1905. The sisters staffed St. Michael School (Grand Ronde), Grand Ronde, Grand Ronde Reservation, 1946-1968.

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1886-2005

Volume: Approximately .1 cubic foot

Description: 2 series include Native Catholic records:

/1 Chronicle

Inclusive dates: 1886-1968

Volume: Few pages

Description: Includes teaching experiences at St. Michael School.

/2 Personnel Files

Inclusive dates: 1886-2005

Volume: Approximately 40 files

Description: Mostly 1 folder/person, including the following:

- a. Sister Kateri (Lavonne Petite, Grand Ronde, 1937-1998); entered in 1952 and served elsewhere as a teacher
- b. Sister Margaret Mary (Agnes Coussens, 1927-2005); entered in 1946 and served as teachers at St. Michael School, 1948-1949, 1950-1951, 1961-1964