



**Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the East about Native Americans**  
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*Archdiocese of San Juan*  
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

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**History:** In 1967, the Diocese of Mayaguez was erected in western Puerto Rico from a portion of the Diocese of Puerto Rico. Evangelization of Native Americans began after 1511 and the Cathedral of Our Lady of Purification was established in 1763. Taino Indians and Mestizos were among the parishioners of several parishes, including the cathedral parish and San German de Auxerre Church, San German, which was the last community with identified Taino Indians according to the census of 1778.

**Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans** include the sacramental records of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Purification, San German de Auxerre Church, and other early parishes.