



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the Midwest about Native Americans
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SOUTH DAKOTA, MCLAUGHLIN

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St. Bernard Church

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Access: Some restrictions apply

History: St. Bernard Church is a non-Indian parish. However, Benedictines from St. Bernard's attended the following Hunkpapa Indian missions on the Standing Rock Reservation:

1916-1971 (closed)	Sacred Heart Mission, Little Eagle
1918-1921 (transferred to (St. Bonaventure's, McIntosh)	St. Ambrose Mission, Black Horse
1918-1926 (became a parish)	St. Bede Mission, Wakpala
1918-present	St. Aloysius Mission, Bullhead
1920-1926 (transferred to St. Bede's, Wakpala)	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission, Compte
1950-present	St. Bede Mission, Wakpala
1956-1970 (closed)	St. Ambrose Mission, Black Horse

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1877-present

Volume: 1.8 cubic feet

Description: Records at St. Bernard's are not organized according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by type of record.

- A. Sacramental records, 1884-present, 1.5 cubic feet: In addition to its own records, St. Bernard's has the sacramental records of St. Bede Mission, Wakpala; St. Aloysius Mission, Bullhead; and St. Edward Mission, Mad Bears Camp.
1. St. Bernard's, McLaughlin, 1918-present: includes records for the Indian missions attended from St. Bernard's
 2. St. Bede's, Wakpala, 1887-present; baptisms, 1887-present; marriages, 1890-present; deaths, first communions, and confirmations, 1893-present: includes records for the following Indian missions and stations attended from St. Bede's: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission, La Compte, 1926-1950; and Mato Station, 1936-1950
 3. St. Edward's, Mad Bears Camp, 1893-1950: baptisms, 1893-1950; deaths and confirmations, 1895-1950; marriages, 1896-1950; first communions, 1894-1950

4. St. Aloysius, Bullhead, 1884-present: baptisms and deaths, 1884-present; marriages, 1887-present; first communions, 1886-present; confirmations, 1891-present
- B. Census records, 1877-1912, .3 cubic foot:
1. St. Bede's, Wakpala, 1877-1912, 1 volume: includes name, birth and death dates, and dates when sacraments were administered
 2. St. Edward's, Mad Bears Camp, 1877-1915, 1 volume: includes name, birth and death dates, and dates when sacraments were administered
 3. St. Aloysius, Bullhead, 1881-1909, 1 volume: includes name, birth and death dates, and dates when sacraments were administered