



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: Between 1560-present

Volume: Approximately 32 cubic feet

Description: 23 collections include Native Catholic records:

/1 Vicente Alvarez Travieso Papers

Inclusive dates: 1771-1783

Volume: 1 volume

Description: Protest of land claims by the missions of San Antonio, Texas;
transcripts in English.

/2 "Archivo de la Secretaria del Gobierno del Estado Coahuila-Salttillo"

Inclusive dates: 1674-1864

Volume: Less than 10% of 3 cubic feet

Description: Records (copies), re: agriculture, trade, daily life, property
and land grants in Texas, including Franciscan Indian missions; in Spanish.

/3 "Archivo General de las Indias, Audiencia de Guadalajara and Audiencia de
México"

Inclusive dates: 1590-1821

Volume: Approximately 9 cubic feet

Description: Reports, decrees, and correspondence (copies), re: life at
Indian missions in Texas; calendar available.

/4 "Archivo General de Mexico, Archivo General de la Nación"

Inclusive dates: 1560-1844

Volume: Less than 10% of 16 cubic feet

Description: Reports (copies and transcripts), re: Indian missions in
California and Texas.

/5 "Pedro del Barrio Junco y Espriella Log"

Inclusive date: 1749

Volume: 1 record

Description: Diary (typescript); re: inspection of Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga (La Bahía) Mission, Goliad, Texas.

/6 "Bexar Archives"

Inclusive dates: 1717-1836

Volume: Less than 10% of 28 cubic feet plus microfilm

Description: Includes reports, correspondence, and diaries, re: creation and maintenance of the Indian missions and relations with Indians in the area of San Antonio, Texas; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>, and calendar available.

/7 "Robert Bruce Blake Papers"

Inclusive dates: 1690-1959, 1969-1970

Volume: Less than 10% of 14 cubic feet

Description: Correspondence (mostly transcriptions) and photographs from various sources, re: missions San José y San Miguel de Aguayo, Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción de Acuña, and San Francisco de la Espada, all in San Antonio, Texas; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission (Ysleta), El Paso, Texas; Nuestra Señora de la Limpia Concepción del Socorro Mission, Socorro, Texas; and San Xavier del Bac, Tucson, Arizona; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>.

/8 "John Henry Brown Family Papers"

Inclusive dates: Between ca. 1900?-1951?

Volume: Less than 10% of 1 album

Description: Includes postcards, re: Franciscan Indian missions in San Antonio, Texas and California.

/9 "Camargo Archives"

Inclusive dates: 1764-1909

Volume: 5 reels of microfilm

Description: Sacramental (baptisms, marriages, and burial) records, monthly reports, and account books (all mostly copies), re: parish records from San Agustín Mission and Convent and St. Anne Church, Camargo, Mexico; includes American Indians and Indian descendants in Texas; in Spanish; from the Archdiocese of San Antonio Archives, San Antonio, Texas.

/10 "Carlos Eduardo Castañeda Documents"

Inclusive dates: 1600-1843

Volume: Less than 10% of 2.4 cubic feet

Description: American Indians and Franciscan Indian missions in Texas, in part; English transcriptions by Castañeda that are also known as the "Documents for the Early History of Coahuila and Texas and the Approaches Thereto."

/11 "Elmer J. Edwards Photograph Album"

Inclusive dates: ca. 1935-ca. 1938

Volume: Less than 10% of 6 cubic feet (approximately 3,460 prints)

Description: San Juan Capistrano, San José y San Miguel de Aguayo, Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción de Acuña, San Antonio de Valero (El Alamo), and San Francisco de la Espada Mission, all in San Antonio, Texas; replica of San Francisco de los Neches Mission, Weches, Texas; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission (Ysleta), El Paso, Texas; Nuestra Señora de la Limpia

Concepción del Socorro Mission, Socorro, Texas; Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga Mission (La Bahia), Goliad, Texas; Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria del Cañón Mission, Camp Wood, Texas; San Xavier del Bac Mission, Tucson, Arizona; San José de Tumacácori Mission, Tumacacori, Arizona; San Estevan del Rey Mission, Acoma Pueblo, New Mexico; San Augustine, Isleta Pueblo, New Mexico; St. Joseph Mission, Laguna Pueblo, New Mexico; San Antonio Mission, Sandia Pueblo, New Mexico; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>.

/12 Council of Texas Archeologists Archive of Texas Archeology

Inclusive dates: 1966-present

Volume: At least 10 reports

Description: Reports (mostly published) of Texas archeological investigations, including Nuestra Señora de los Dolores de los Ais, San José y San Miguel de Aguayo, Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción de Acuña, San Antonio de Valero (El Alamo), San Francisco de la Espada, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Cruz de San Saba, San Francisco de los Tejas, Nuestra Señora del Rosario, Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga (La Bahia), and Nuestra Señora de la Limpia Concepción del Socorro Missions and Franciscans of the Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe College, Zacateca, Mexico; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>

/13 "Adina Emilia De Zavala Papers"

Inclusive dates: 1766 (1831-1955)

Less than 50% of 22 cubic feet

Description: Preservation advocate for San Antonio de Valero (El Alamo) and other Indian missions in Texas; includes correspondence, notes, and photographs, re: Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria, Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción de Acuña, Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga, San Francisco de la Espada, San José y San Miguel de Aguayo, San Juan Capistrano, and San Saba de la Santa Cruz Missions; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>.

/14 "Eberstadt Collection"

Inclusive dates: 1699-1932, n.d.

Volume: .5 cubic foot

Description: Arranged by notable authors or organizations; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>.

- a. Charles III (of Spain) Cedula [report], 1765; re: missions in New Spain
- b. Luciano Garcia Report, 1823; re: colonization of Texas
- c. Antonio Margil de Jesús Papers, 1712-1780, n.d., few letters; letter to Sister Luisa Maria de San José, re: report on Southwest missions; letter, re: missions; and Simon del Herro records, re: his beautification
- d. José Miguel Martinez Report, 1832; promotion request and service report as vicar of Nuestra Señora del Refugio de la Bahia (La Bahia) Mission, Texas
- e. Manuel Martinez Deed, 1833; re: transfer to his son lands of San Antonio de Valero (El Alamo) Mission, San Antonio, Texas
- f. San Juan Bautista Foundation Papers, 1699; re: request for land to establish mission

/15 "Juan Bautista Elguezabal Reports"

Inclusive dates: Between 1799-1805

Volume: Few reports

Description: Reports (copies) of the interim governor of Texas; includes census data and activities in Bexar County and the area of Nacogdoches, Texas.

/16 "Grazing Industry Papers"

Inclusive dates: Between 1537-1940

Volume: Few transcripts

Description: Includes grazing and agriculture at Franciscan Indian missions in Texas; compiled by a project of the U.S. Works Progress Administration.

/17 "Rena Maverick Green Papers"

Inclusive dates: 1924-1959

Volume: Few items

Description: Efforts to preserve the Spanish Franciscan Indian missions of San Antonio, Texas.

/18 "Fray Francisco Hidalgo"

Inclusive dates: 1705-1716

Volume: 1 volume

Description: Letters (copies) from Santa Cruz de Queretaro College and Nuestro Padre San Francisco de los Tejas Mission, Texas; re: Fray Francisco Hidalgo, O.F.M.

/19 "Juan Dominguez Mendoza"

Inclusive dates: 1683-1684

Volume: 1 item

Description: Diary (copy); re: Spanish expeditions to establish missions in New Mexico and Texas.

/20 "Charles William Ramsdell, Jr. Papers"

Inclusive dates: 1749-1836

Volume: 2 volumes

Description: Correspondence (some transcripts) and historical sketches by Ramsdell, an historian; re: Nuestra Señora de Refugio, Nuestra Señora del Rosario (and Indians); and Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga (La Bahia) Missions in Texas.

/21 "San Antonio de Valero Items"

Inclusive dates: n.d. (between 1895-1936)

Volume: Few items

Description: Drawings and rubbings of/ from San Antonio de Valero (El Alamo) Mission by artist Godfrey Flury.

/22 "Spanish Material from Various Source Collections"

Inclusive dates: 1600-1890

Volume: Approximately 4 cubic feet

Description: Includes reports, and legal records (typescripts and originals), re: in part, Indian missions in Texas, New Mexico and California; finding aid online, <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/index.html>, and calendar available for "a" and "b":

- a. Coahuila and Texas and approaches Thereto (copies), 1600-1843; re: Franciscan Indian missions and settlement
- b. San Francisco el Grande Archives, 1673-1800, approximately 1.4 cubic feet: baptismal records (few), correspondence, diaries, and reports, re: settlement, Franciscan Indian missions, presidios and Indian relationships

- c. Laredo Archives, 1749-1836, approximately 2.6 cubic feet;
correspondence and reports between officials of church and state, re:
includes local Indian relations
- d. Saltillo Archives, 1689-1876; includes reports, re: Franciscan Indian
missions, presidios, and Indian relations in Texas and Coahuila

/23 "Spanish Missions in Texas and California"

Inclusive dates: 1691-1825

Volume: Approximately .3 cubic foot

Description: Typescripts; re: Indians and Franciscans at 5 missions:

- a. Nuestra Señora de los Dolores de la Punta, Texas
- b. Nuestra Señora del Refugio, Texas
- c. San Antonio de Valero, Texas
- d. San Francisco Xavier, Texas
- e. San Juan Capistrano, California