



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Diocese of El Paso
TEXAS, EL PASO

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History: The Diocese of El Paso was erected in 1914 from portions of the dioceses of Tucson, Dallas, and San Antonio. El Paso and its predecessors have administered the following Indian missions, parishes, and schools in New Mexico and Texas:

1682-present (El Paso, 1914-present)	Our Lady of Mount Carmel/ Corpus Christi/ San Antonio de la Ysleta Church (Tiwa), El Paso/ Ysleta del Sur, Ysleta del Sur Reservation, Texas
1683-ca. 1850s (no longer Indian) (El Paso, 1914-present)	La Purísima/ Nuestra Señora de la Limpia Concepción del Socorro Church (Tiwa, Jemez, and Mestizos), Socorro/ Socorro del Sur, Texas
1683-1687, 1715-1717, 1730-1810 (closed) (El Paso, 1914)	La Navidad en las Cruces Mission (Jumano), [Presidio, Texas]
1684-unknown (El Paso, 1914)	Santa María de la Redonda de los Cibolos Mission (Jumano), [Shafter, Texas]
ca. 1789-1850s (no longer Indian) (El Paso, 1914-present)	San Elizario Mission (Tiwa and Mestizos), San Elizario, Texas
1914-present (El Paso, 1914-1982)	St. Joseph Mission and School (Apache), Mescalero, New Mexico
1919-present	Our Lady of Mount Carmel School (Tiwa), El Paso/ Ysleta, Ysleta del Sur Reservation, Texas
1921-present (El Paso, 1921-1982)	Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (Tortugas), Mesilla Park, New Mexico
1930-present (El Paso, 1930-1982)	St. Patrick Mission (Apache), Three Rivers, New Mexico

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1949, 1970-1990

Volume: Approximately .15 cubic foot

Description: The records in the Diocese of El Paso Archives are not arranged according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by record type.

A. Native American Files

Inclusive dates: 1970-1990

Volume: .15 cubic foot

Description: Clippings, correspondence, ethnographies, and histories, re: federal acknowledgement of the Tiwa [Tigua] Indians of Texas, 1970-1990, and the New Testament in Tarahumara, 1985.

B. Parish Reports

Inclusive dates: 1949

Volume: 3 reports

Description: Arranged alphabetically by community and there under by parish with El Paso parishes preceding the others; includes Mescalero, New Mexico, St. Joseph Mission; Mesilla Park, New Mexico, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church; and Ysleta del Sur [now El Paso], Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church; reports provide population, sacramental, and financial statistics; ethnicity is also noted for St. Joseph and Our Lady of Mount Carmel.