



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the West about Native Americans
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Diocese of Salt Lake City
UTAH, SALT LAKE CITY

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History: Utah was included in the Vicariate Apostolate of Colorado and Utah, 1868-1871, the Archdiocese of San Francisco, 1871-1887, and the Vicariate Apostolic of Utah, 1887-1891. In 1891, the Diocese of Salt Lake was erected for Utah and renamed the Diocese of Salt Lake City in 1951. The Salt Lake City Diocese reported 5,500 baptized Native American Catholics in 1999. Salt Lake City and its predecessors have administered the following Indian missions and parishes in Utah:

1910-1930s (closed)	Uintah Valley Mission (Ute)
1937-present	St. Helen Church (Ute), Roosevelt
1950-present	Holy Spirit Mission (Ute), Duchesne, Uintah and Ouray Reservation
1959-present	Sacred Heart Mission (Navajo), La Sal
1981-present	Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Mission (Ute), Fort Duchesne, Uintah and Ouray Reservation
1982-present	St. Nicholas Mission (Ute), Blanding

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: ca. 1886-present

Volume: Approximately 3.25 cubic feet

Description: The records at the Diocese of Salt Lake City Archives are not arranged according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by record type.

/1 "Bishops' Papers"

Inclusive dates: Between ca. 1886-present

Volume: Few letters possible

Description:

- A. Bishop Lawrence Scanlan (1843-1915), Vicar Apostolic of Utah, 1886-1891, Bishop 1891-1915
- B. Bishop Joseph Sarsfield Glass (1874-1926), C.M., 1915-1926

- C. Bishop John Joseph Mitty (1884-1961), 1926-1932
- D. Bishop James Edward Kearney (1884-1977), 1932-1937
- E. Bishop Duane Garrison Hunt (1884-1960), 1937-1960
- F. Bishop Joseph Lennox Federal (1910-2000), Auxiliary Bishop, 1951-1958;
Coadjutor Bishop, 1958-1960, Bishop, 1960-1980
- G. Bishop William Kenneth Weigand (1937-), 1980-1993
- H. Bishop George Hugh Niederauer (1936-), 1994-present

/2 "Sacramental Records"

Inclusive dates: 1870s-present

Volume: Several entries

Description: Diocesan database in electronic form accessible by person or in card form arranged alphabetically by person.

/3 "Parish Annual Reports"

Inclusive dates: 1915-1981

Volume: Several reports

Description: Arranged first by type, then alphabetically by community, and there under chronologically by year; includes East Carbon, Good Shepherd Church (with Monticello, St. Joseph Mission), Monticello, St. Joseph Church (with Blanding, St. Nicholas Mission and La Sal, Sacred Heart Mission), Roosevelt, St. Helen Church (with Duchesne, Holy Spirit Mission, Fort Duchesne, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Center, and Whiterocks), and Price, Notre Dame de Lourdes Church (with Monticello, St. Joseph Mission):

- A. Canonical Reports, 1937-1972, several within 3 volumes; re: sacramental data
- B. Financial and Statistical Reports, 1915-1926, 1937-1974, 1978-1981, several within 10 volumes and 4 folders; re: ethnographic, financial, and sacramental data

/4 "Religious Community Files"

Inclusive dates: 1955-1966

Volume: .02 cubic foot (2 folders)

Description: Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement (Garrison, New York), Our Lady of the Atonement Convent, Roosevelt:

- A. Correspondence, 1955-1956; 1 folder; re: establishment of facility
- B. Statistical reports, 1955-1966; re: attendance and sacramental data from youth religious education program for Ute Indians

/5 "Diocesan Office of Native American Ministry and Intermountain School"

Inclusive dates: 1944-1995, n.d.

Volume: 3 cubic feet

Description: The Diocesan Office of Native American Ministry was established in 1983 and closed in 1994.

- A. Intermountain Inter-Tribal/ Government Indian School (Brigham City, Utah), 1957-1997, 2 cubic feet
 - 1. Intermountain Inter-Tribal School, 1965-1997, 2 folders; re: history, student handbook, course catalog, map, booklets, brochures, and clippings
 - 2. American Indians [general], 1965-1970, 1991, 1 folder; re: ephemera
 - 3. Navajo Indians [general], 1968-1972, 1991, 1 folder; re: printed materials, including prayers and religious songs

4. Catholic Indian Student Center, 1957-1973, 1 folder; re:
 - a. Annual reports, 1970-1971
 - b. Budgets, 1969-1970
 - c. Correspondence, 1959-1975; correspondents include: Diocesan Office of Education, U.S. Department of the Interior, Intermountain School Superintendent, DCCW [Diocesan Council of Catholic Women], re: Christmas party sponsorship, Catholic Indian Council, and Martin Wall (Seminole, Florida; re: school closing)
 - d. Statistical report, 1968-1969
 - e. Sacramental records, 1957-1973
 - f. Enrollment list of Catholic students, 1972
 5. Protestant Indian Student Center, 1959-1977, 1 folder; re: history, program plan, budget, and calendar
 6. Miscellaneous Intermountain Inter-Tribal School, 1957-1982, 1 box; re:
 - a. Literary magazines, 1970-1971
 - b. Yearbooks, 1957-1982
 - c. Photograph album, 1970s
- B. Native American Ministry Office, 1 cubic foot
1. History of Native American Ministry, 1944-1995, 1 folder; re: history, student handbook, course catalog, map, booklets, brochures
 2. Convocation of Missionaries, 1957, 1 folder; correspondence to/from Bishop Hunt and attendance roster
 3. Reports, 1954-1990, n.d., 1 folder; re:
 - a. Commission for Catholic Missions Among the Colored People and the Indians, 1956-1977
 - b. Catholic Indian Apostolate, 1983-1984 n.d.
 - c. Navajo Reservation maps, 1954
 - d. Diocesan survey, 1990
 - e. Report from Reverend Joseph Clark to Bishop Joseph Lennox Federal, 1960
 - f. Budget, 1970-1972; re: Indian Council and Catholic Indian Programs, Brigham City
 4. Correspondence, budgets, and financial reports, 1983-1994, 1 folder; correspondents include Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. (Potawatomi)
 5. Correspondence, dates unknown, 1 folder; re: personnel
 6. Office of Native American Ministry *Newsletter*, 1984-1994, 1 folder; renamed *Windwalker*, 1989-1994
 7. Native American Commission, dates unknown, 1 folder; re: mission statement and organization
 8. Native American liturgies, 1983-1995, 1 folder; re: programs and clippings
 9. Tekakwitha Conference, 1980s, 1 folder; re: correspondence, clippings, programs, and photographs
 10. News Clippings, 19-19--?, 1 folder; re: Intermountain Catholic, Salt Lake Tribune, and Our Sunday Visitor
 11. Photo albums, 1980s-1990s, 2 volumes; re: Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Mission, Fort Duchesne, St. Helen's Church, Roosevelt, and the Tekakwitha Conference

/6 "Diocesan Newspapers"

Inclusive dates: 1899-present

Volume: Few articles

Description: Occasional articles on American Indians and Catholic evangelization in the diocese are included throughout:

- A. *Intermountain Catholic*, Dioceses of Salt Lake City and Denver, 1899-1920
- B. *Intermountain Catholic*, <http://www.icnp.com/>, Diocese of Salt Lake City, 1920-present
- C. *The Diocesan Monthly*, Diocese of Salt Lake City, ca. 1923