



Guide to Catholic-Related Records in the Midwest about Native Americans
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History: The United States Province of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart was established in 1933. The Sacred Heart priests and brothers have administered the following Indian missions, parishes, and school in South Dakota:

1933-ca. 1938 (closed)	St. Matthew Mission (Sans Arc), Parade, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-ca. 1948 (closed)	St. Peter Mission (Sans Arc), Cheyenne River, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-1950 (closed)	St. Basil Mission (Sans Arc), Mossman, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-1958 (closed)	St. Catherine Mission (unknown), Four Bears
1933-1959 (closed)	Corpus Christi Church (Sans Arc), Cheyenne Agency, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-1970 (closed)	St. Mary Mission (Sans Arc), La Plant Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-present	St. Joseph School (Brulé, Sans Arc, Sisseton, and Wahpeton), Chamberlain
1933-present	St. Catherine/ St. John the Evangelist Mission (Sans Arc), Promise/ Moreau River, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-present	St. Therese/ St. Paul Mission (Sans Arc), White Horse, Cheyenne River Reservation
1933-present	St. Joseph Mission (Sans Arc), Ridgeview, Cheyenne River Reservation
1937-1945 (closed)	Blessed Sacrament/ St. Leo Mission (Sans Arc), Bull Creek, Cheyenne River Reservation
1937-1949 (closed)	St. Patrick/ St. Mark Mission, Lower Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River Reservation
1937-present	Immaculate Heart of Mary/ St. Pius Mission (Sans Arc), Bridger, Cheyenne River Reservation
1937-present	St. Joseph Church (Sans Arc), Cherry Creek, Cheyenne River

	Reservation
1938-1958 (closed)	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Mission (Sans Arc), Moreau River, Cheyenne River Reservation
1939-present	Sacred Heart Mission (Sans Arc), Red Scaffold, Cheyenne River Reservation
1948-ca. 1966 (closed)	St. John the Evangelist Mission (Sans Arc), Lantry, Cheyenne River Reservation
1948-present	Sacred Heart Mission (Sans Arc), Dupree, Cheyenne River Reservation
1950-present	St. Luke Mission (Sans Arc), Thunderbutte, Cheyenne River Reservation
1953-present	All Saints Church (Sans Arc), Eagle Butte, Cheyenne River Reservation
1997-present	Immaculate Conception Church (Santee and Sisseton), Stephan, Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota
1997-present	St. Joseph Church (Brulé), Fort Thompson, Lower Brule Reservation, South Dakota
1997-present	St. Catherine/ Sacred Heart Mission (Sisseton and Wahpeton), Big Bend, Sisseton Reservation, South Dakota

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1911-present, n.d.

Volume: Approximately 10 cubic feet

Description: 5 series include Native Catholic records:

/1 "Provincial Chapters and Conferences"

Inclusive dates: 1930-present

Volume: .1 cubic foot

Description: Minutes of provincial chapter meetings, which included discussions of staffing and financing of Indian missions.

/2 "Provincial Superior"

Inclusive dates: 1932-1965

Volume: .2 cubic foot

Description: Correspondence between the provincials and the superiors at St. Joseph Indian School. Major correspondents include Reverends Joseph Speyer, S.C.J., Peter Miller, S.C.J., and George Pinger, S.C.J., and Provincials Reverends William Nolkin, S.C.J., Richard Kiefer, S.C.J., Vildoc S. Giroux, S.C.J., and John T. O'Connor, S.C.J.

/3 "Oral History Interviews"

Inclusive dates: 1966-1967, 1969

Volume: 5 audiotapes

Description:

- A. "Reverend Roger Dieckhaus, O.S.B., Prior, Blue Cloud Abbey, answers questions regarding Indian missions in South Dakota, March 24, 1966"
- B. "History of Establishing All Saints Church, Eagle Butte" by Monsignor Joseph H. Golden, Deadwood, South Dakota, 1967
- C. "History of S.C.J. in South Dakota" by Monsignor Joseph H. Golden, Deadwood, South Dakota, 1967
- D. "Brother Mathias Schaefer interviewed by Tom Kane at St. Joseph's Indian School, South Dakota, August 2, 1969"
- E. Sister Ambrose Brand, O.S.B. interviewed by Tom Kane at St. Joseph's Indian School, South Dakota, August 3, 1969"

/4 "S.C.J. Communities in the U.S.A."

Inclusive dates: 1911-1981, n.d.

Volume: 2.8 cubic feet

Description: Arranged alphabetically by location and thereunder by institution with Native Catholic records under "Chamberlain, South Dakota and vicinity.

- A. Correspondence, 1914, 1919-1951, 1953-1954, 1956-1969, 1971, n.d., 818 letters: majority of correspondence pertains to the Cheyenne River Reservation missions; major correspondents include Reverends Joseph H. Golden, John Vogel, and Joseph Speyer, S.C.J., and Bishop John J. Lawler, the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs
- B. Histories and historical notes, 1920s-1960s, n.d., .3 cubic foot:
 1. "History of St. Joseph Indian School, 1927-1964," n.d., 199 typed pages: includes photographs
 2. Works of Samuel Charger, 1922, 1 folder:
 - a. "Story of the Calf Pipe or Pipe with Many Notches, told by Solomon Yellow Hawk, La Plant, South Dakota, April 2, 1922," 2 typed pages
 - b. "How and When the Teton Sioux Occupied the Reservation," June 6, 1922, 33 pages
 - c. "Explanation of the New Dances," June 6, 1922, 5 pages
 - d. "Biography of Martin Charger," March 28, 1922, 5 pages
 3. Historical notes on the Cheyenne River Reservation by Reverend John Vogel, S.C.J., and Reverend Joseph H. Golden, 1920s-1960s, 3 folders: includes
 - a. "History of All Saints Parish, Eagle Butte, S.D." by Reverend Joseph H. Golden, 1949, 2 typed pages
 - b. "Historical Review of the Catholic Church in Ziebach Country," by Reverend Joseph H. Golden, 5 typed pages
 4. History of Cherry Creek, n.d., 6 typed pages: author unidentified
 5. Draft of a publication entitled "Wakan Tanka" by Reverend Joseph H. Golden, n.d., 1 folder
 6. "History of Lower Brule Agency," by Will G. Robinson, n.d., 7 pages
 7. Notes on Catholic Sioux Indian Congress at La Plant, South Dakota, July 13- 15, 1922, n.d., 1 volume
- C. Chronicles and diaries, 1930-1975, .3 cubic foot:
 1. Chronicle, St. Joseph's Indian School, Chamberlain, South Dakota, 1949-1975, 483 pages
 2. Chronicle, St. Joseph's Mission, Cherry Creek, South Dakota, by Reverend George Pinger, S.C.J., 1965-1974, 132 pages
 3. Diary, 1930-1931, 1 volume: author unidentified
 4. Journals, 1936-1940, 1942-1943, 3 volumes: contain information on date when masses were given, the title of the sermon, and the number of communicants, and information on special events at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Mission, Moreau River; St. John the Evangelist Mission, Promise; and St. Catherine Mission, Four Bears
- D. Minutes of meetings, 1911-1981, .3 cubic foot:
 1. Minutes of board of directors meetings, St. Joseph Mission, Cherry Creek, 1912-1933, 1 volume
 2. Minutes of Ladies Altar Society meetings, All Saints Church, Eagle Butte, 1925-1932, 1946-1959, 1964-1981, 3 volumes
 3. Minutes of board of directors meetings, All Saints Church, Eagle Butte, 1911-1952, 1968, 1 volume
 4. Minutes of parish council meetings, All Saints Church, Eagle Butte, 1970-1975, 1 volume

- E. Financial records, 1911-1967, 1.0 cubic foot: include day and cash books and annual reports to the diocese from the missions on the Cheyenne River Reservation
- F. School publications, 1935-1981, .1 cubic foot:
 - 1. *Children of the Prairie*, publication of St. Joseph Indian School, Chamberlain, 1935-1941, 1 folder
 - 2. Student writings and drawings, 1979-1981, 2 folders: by students at St. Joseph Indian School
- G. Indian language records, n.d., .1 cubic foot: most are by Reverend John Vogel, S.C.J. and include lists of words in English and Dakota and prayers in Dakota
- H. Clippings, 1930s-1960s, .1 cubic foot

/5 Photographs and Films

Inclusive dates: 1920s-1970s

Volume: Approximately 7 cubic feet

Description: Arranged alphabetically by institution and there under by major subject headings. Most Indian related photographs are from St. Joseph Indian School, ca. 1950s-1960s. Included is a 16 mm. film on the South Dakota Indian missions, ca. 1950s.