



# CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH

Office for Archives and Record Center:  
RECORD GROUP: 22 Miscellaneous

## **SUBGROUP: 001 Manuscripts**

**DESCRIPTION:** This collection consists of collections of Manuscripts (1731-1899) compiled by Msgr. Andrew A. Lambing for use in writing his histories of the diocese.

## **SUBGROUP: 01A Monsignor A. A. Lambing**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Monsignor A. A. Lambing papers (1868-1918) consist of Correspondence (1880-1904), Diaries (1888-1918), Sermons, Articles and Lectures (1868-1906)

## **SUBGROUP: 01B Reverend John Canova**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Reverend John Canova papers (1921-1948) consist of Correspondence (1921-1948), Research Notes (undated). Collected Correspondence (1911-1923) contains letters to and from bishops, priests and others about the history of the diocese.

## **SUBGROUP: 01C Reverend John Hickey**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Reverend John Hickey Correspondence (1874-1901) deals mostly with his trial in Rome concerning the financial state of the Diocese.

## **SUBGROUP: 01E Reverend James Shanahan**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Reverend James Shanahan Correspondence (1956-1977) deals with his missionary work in Peru. Much of the material is in Spanish.

## **SUBGROUP: 01E C. Holmes Wolfe, Jr.**

**DESCRIPTION:** The papers consist of Administrative Files (1965-1970). Diocesan Pastoral Council files (1967-1968) examine issues of race and problems facing the diocese. Eighteenth Diocesan Synod Files (1968-1971) documents the Synod's activities. Liturgical Committee (1959-1969) consists of minutes, correspondence and publications relating to lay involvement in the Mass. Miscellaneous Publications (1958-1973).

## **SUBGROUP: 01H Reverend Henry Szarnicki**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Manuscript Collection of Reverend Henry A. Szarnicki (1848-1866) were compiled by Reverend Szarnicki while he was writing a book on Bishop Michael O'Connor.

## **SUBGROUP: 01I Monsignor Carl P. Hensler**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Papers (1921-1938) consist of newspaper clippings (1935-1938), 2 copies of Fu-Jen Magazine (1932), lectures and lecture notes (n.d.), certificates (1921, 1923) from the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith and St. John Lateran Basilica, and a Scrapbook (1935-1938) of newspaper articles that deal with social issues and the Church along with articles about the Catholic Radical Alliance and St. Joseph's House of Hospitality.

## **SUBGROUP: 002 Other Dioceses**

**DESCRIPTION:** Consists of General Information (1843-1951) about parishes once in the diocese but now outside the current boundaries of the diocese. Material in the general information files consists mostly of completed surveys (created by the archivists) sent out in 1923 and 1951, photocopies of newspaper

articles about the parish or priests, anniversary programs or brochures, some correspondence between the diocese and the parish, and other miscellaneous things too numerous to mention. There is also a set of files relating to Bishops of other dioceses who were originally from Pittsburgh.

**SUBGROUP: 003 Papal Volunteers in Latin America**

**DESCRIPTION:** Volunteers' Files (1962-1971) contains application information, office and personal correspondence, memoranda, newspaper clippings, and photographs. Administrative Files (1961-1972) contains annual reports, application forms, tax information for volunteers, general and miscellaneous correspondence, insurance policies, training information, and departure ceremony information, account book, promotional posters and flyers, financial reports, and minutes.

**SUBGROUP: 004 Pro-Life Movement**

**DESCRIPTION:** Newsletters (1985-1997) consists of pro-life newsletters from three sources: pro-life organizations located within the area of the Pittsburgh Diocese, Pennsylvania Catholic Conference and NCCB newsletters and newsletters from national pro-life organizations. March for Life Booklets (1985-1997) contain information on the activities taking place during the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C.

**SUBGROUP: 005 Sesquicentennial Committee**

**DESCRIPTION:** The records of the Sesquicentennial Committee include: Administrative Files (1990-1993) such as minutes, memoranda, correspondence, schedules of events, lists of Sesquicentennial Committee members, lists of aspect planning committee members, summaries of meetings; Social Concerns Files (1939-1993) histories of social programs, correspondence, pamphlets and booklets compiled by the Secretariat for Social Concerns; Research & History Subcommittee (1989-1994) includes correspondence, watercolor sketches, planning documents mostly for Shepherds of the Faith; Publications (1990-1993) promotional booklets, Catholic Directories, programs and Pittsburgh Catholic special supplement; two VHS Videotapes: "Sesquicentennial Closing Liturgy Diocese of Pittsburgh" and "Letters to the Diocese of Pittsburgh: April 18, 1993;" and Plaques awarded to the Diocese of Pittsburgh by the commonwealth, counties, and City of Pittsburgh leaders, and other officials.

**SUBGROUP: 006 Audio-Visual Collection**

**DESCRIPTION:** This collection consists of reel-to-reel audio tapes, cassette tapes, motion picture film and videotapes. The Audio series (1967-1972) consists of thirteen reel-to-reel and eleven cassette tapes. Eight reel-to-reel tapes are a series of meetings of the Diocesan Pastoral Council in 1967-1968 held in Synod Hall; two are from a Pax Romana symposium held in Pittsburgh in which Reverend Bernard Lonergan presented a paper on beliefs; and three are unidentified. Four cassettes document speeches by John Cardinal Wright in the 1970s and have been separately numbered. One cassette was from Bishop Wuerl's television program, "The Teaching of Christ" with guests Senator and Mrs. Rick Santorum. Six cassettes are housed in their own box; they are talks given at the Total Catholic Education Conference held in Pittsburgh on November 3-4, 1995. Unfortunately, not all of the tapes have been dated or identified. The Visual series (c1930-1996) consists of both motion picture film and video cassettes. Not all of the films are identified. Some of the videotapes are in Beta format or are for television station equipment; some of the motion picture films are in 35mm format. Most of the films are in black and white; but a few are in color. Subjects in this series consist of celebrated Masses, ordinations and episcopal installations, major television network and local television productions, funerals and interviews with bishops.

**SUBGROUP: 007 Closed Offices**

**SUBGROUP: 07A Secretary for Social Concerns\***

**DESCRIPTION:** Consists of Administrative Files (1947-1994) which include memoranda, correspondence and reports related to the administration of the secretariat. Adoption Records (1891-1971) give information on children adopted through Catholic Social Services. Budget Files (1972-1995). Catholic Social Teaching Files (1991) consist of records relating to the 100th anniversary celebration of the Papal Encyclical Rerum Novarum on the rights of workers. Includes memoranda, correspondence, planning documents, newspaper articles, promotional materials, and a record of diocesan activities. Correspondence (1988-

1995). Departmental Files (1969-1995) consist of records relating to the interaction between the Secretary and the departments in the Secretariat. Staff Meeting Minutes (1971-1994) consist of a record of the meetings of the Secretariat staff. Sesquicentennial Files (1990-1993) record the activities the Secretariat conducted celebrating the history of social work in the diocese as part of the diocese's larger sesquicentennial observance. Secretariat Newsletters (1993-1997) which gives information about the Secretariat's departments and their activities and about issues in which the Secretariat is involved. Corporation Liaison Files (1923-1997) consists of records of diocesan related corporations and boards, such as Catholic Charities, on which the Secretary is a board member. Information in the files includes correspondence, minutes, annual reports, by-laws, newsletters, and publications.

**SUBGROUP: 07B Department for Family & Community Concerns\***

**DESCRIPTION:** Sacramental Register (1909-1952) of baptisms, marriages, confirmations and deaths that occurred in the area's correctional institutions and prisons.

**SUBGROUP: 07C Office for the Ministry of Aging**

**DESCRIPTION:** The records consist of Correspondence (1991-1994), Lists of Nursing Facilities (1992-1995) including Alzheimer's facilities, Formation of the Office (1992), and Conferences (1993-1995) sponsored by the office.

**SUBGROUP: 07D Office for Research and Planning**

**DESCRIPTION:** The records consist of Administrative Files (1968-1972) with correspondence, records of special studies and task forces, staff meeting minutes and historical articles on selected parishes. Clergy Compensation Survey (1978) a survey of the clergy conducted by the Office on issues related to the compensation for members of the clergy. The Parish Financial and Statistical Report Summaries (1976-1986) consists of two computer printouts containing five years of data collected from the Parish Financial and Statistical Reports prepared annually by the parishes and submitted to the Chancellor. Project Files (1974-1998) contains projects that the Office conducted, including Braddock parishes consolidation, parish censuses and surveys, task forces, workshops, studies.

**SUBGROUP: 07E Central Accounting Department**

**DESCRIPTION:** Diocesan Building Ledger (1958-1971).

**SUBGROUP: 07F Office for Special Events**

**DESCRIPTION:** Consists of Programs & Events (1957-1996) which contain programs and brochures on bishops' installations and anniversaries, the Sesquicentennial of the Diocese, and educational conventions.