

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Records Dorchester Schools Collection

Finding Aid

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Collection Summary

Title: Dorchester Schools Collection

Accession Numbers: 2014.18

Dates: 1921-2013

Bulk Dates: 1921-1967

Location: Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Boston/Ipswich/Connecticut [BIC] Archives.

Physical Description: 3 boxes of records, 24 volumes and 275 photographs.

Abstract: The Dorchester Schools Collection contain the records for St. Gregory's and St. Mark's schools and convents from their founding in 1921 and 1923, respectively, to their closings.

Search Terms:

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur - History

Religious life - History

Women's Religious Orders - History

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur - Massachusetts - Dorchester

Provenance: The records were transferred to the Archives sometime before 1990.

Processing: The collection was processed in 2013.

Conservation Work: Staples removed, some papers unfolded. News clippings were digitized and copies included with collection.

Restrictions: The collection is available for research only in the BIC Archives

Scope and Content Note

The records for the Dorchester Schools include the early history of St. Gregory's parish before the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur were invited to open the school in 1921. The early annals and journals contain information of the first sisters who taught at the school; the history of the beginnings of religious education at St. Gregory's; descriptions of events at the convent, the parish and the school. Also filed here are the convent councillor's meeting minutes; registers for vow renewals; charge lists of school class

assignments; a register of sisters living at the convent; accounts of convent expenditures; school and convent correspondence; and the class papers from 1937, which also include any of their reunions. The collection contain some school papers from 1967; school and parent newsletters; graduation speeches; brochures and flyers from anniversary celebrations and parish reunions; a written history of St. Gregory's parish; and records for the 1988 accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Yearbooks between 1964 and 1992 are also filed with this collection.

The records for St. Mark's School contain convent annals; journals; a convent register; councillor's meeting minutes; vow renewal register; financial expenditures; brochures from anniversary celebrations; the results of the school survey conducted in 1973; some student papers; and clippings from local newspapers.

The photographs stored in Photograph Box 14 include graduation photographs, photos of various school events, May processions as well as images of the schools and convents.

Organization and Container List

Box 1

Folder 1	St. Gregory's Convent Annals, 1921-1973.
Folder 2	St. Gregory's Convent Journal, 1963-1967.
Folder 3	St. Gregory's Community Council Minutes, 1966-1973.
Folder 4	St. Gregory's Convent Register, 1921-1934.
Folder 5	St. Gregory's Convent Register, 1935-1973.
Folder 6	St. Gregory's Vow Register, 1929-1970.
Folder 7	St. Gregory's Charge Lists, 1954-1973.
Folder 8	House Accounts, 1968.
Folder 9	House Accounts, 1969.
Folder 10	House Accounts, 1970.
Folder 11	House Accounts, 1971.
Folder 12	House Accounts, 1972.
Folder 13	Correspondence, 1970-1992.
Folder 14	Class of 1937 Papers, 1937, 1983-1997.
Folder 15	School Documents, 1967, 1989.
Folder 16	School Newspapers, 1966-1968, 1982.

Dorchester School Shelves

Councillor's Meeting Minutes, 1941-1966.
Convent Expenditures, 1939-1963.
Convent Expenditures, 1963-1968.
St. Gregory's School Finances, 1965-1967.

Box 2

- Folder 1** Graduation Papers, 1963, 1992.
- Folder 2** Sample Diploma, n.d.
- Folder 3** Convent Anniversaries, 1946, 2003.
- Folder 4** School Anniversary Papers, 1980.
- Folder 5** School Anniversary Papers, 1990.
- Folder 6** School Memories, 2004.
- Folder 7** Parish Reunions, 1945, 1950.
- Folder 8** Parish Reunions, 1954, 1956.
- Folder 9** Parish Reunions, 1961-1963.
- Folder 10** Parish Reunions, 1964, 1969-1970.
- Folder 11** Parish Anniversaries, 1987, 2012.
- Folder 12** St. Gregory's Parish History, 1987.
- Folder 13** NEASC Accreditation, 1988-1989.
- Folder 14** Newspaper Clippings, 1967-1993.

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- St. Gregory High School New England Association of Schools and Colleges Accreditation Report, 1988.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1964.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1966.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1972.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1973.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1983.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1984.
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- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1990.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1991.
- St. Gregory High School Yearbook, 1992.

Box 3

- Folder 1** St. Mark's Convent Annals, 1923-1971.
- Folder 2** St. Mark's Convent Journal, 1965-1967.
- Folder 3** St. Mark's Convent Register, 1923-1978.
- Folder 4** St. Mark's Convent Expenditures, 1925-1968.
- Folder 5** Church Anniversary Papers, 1955.
- Folder 6** Church Anniversary Papers, 1975.
- Folder 7** Church Anniversary Papers, 1980.

- Folder 8** St. Mark's School Anniversary Papers, 1993.
Folder 9 St. Mark's Church Centennial Papers, 2005.
Folder 10 St. Mark's School Survey, 1973.
Folder 11 School Papers, 1930-1998.
Folder 12 Newspaper Clippings, 1966, 2010.

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- St. Mark's Convent Vow Renewals, 1926-1938.
St. Mark's Convent Vow Renewals, 1938-1970.
St. Mark's Councillor's Meeting Minutes, 1926-1945.
St. Mark's Councillor's Meeting Minutes, 1946-1970.

Photograph Box 14

- School, Church and Convent Photographs, 1922-1981.