

**Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Records  
Hawaiian Mission Records  
Finding Aid**

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Hawaiian Mission Records

**Accession Numbers:** 2014.15

**Dates:** 1946-2000

**Bulk Dates:** 1946-1980

**Location:** East West Province Archives, Ipswich, MA

**Physical Description:** 3 boxes, 203 photographs, and 9 artifacts.

**Abstract:** The Hawaiian Mission Records contain the papers created by the Massachusetts Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur during their work in Hawaii. The Sisters were invited to open a school in Hawaii in 1946. The Mission remained under the Massachusetts province until 1959 when the mission was transferred to the California Province.

**Search Terms:**

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur

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**Provenance:** The records for the Hawaiian Mission were created by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur and transferred to the archives in Massachusetts sometime in the 1980s. Some of the papers and photographs were donated by Sister Catherine Aiken, who served in Hawaii between 1978-1981.

**Processing:** The collection was processed and arranged in 2014.

**Conservation Work:** Staples were removed, some records removed from acidic bindings and folded papers unfolded.

**Restrictions:** The collection is open to the public.

**Scope and Content Note:** The mission for Hawaii was begun by the Massachusetts province in 1946 and remained a Massachusetts mission until 1959 when it was transferred to the California Province.

The collection includes convent annals, convent register, eulogy for the first superior who died shortly after their arrival, formal correspondence sent to Massachusetts from the sisters stationed in Hawaii, newsletters published by the parish, news articles and clippings highlighting activities within the school and parish, annals kept at the Holy Family parish convent, curriculum guide published by the archdiocese of Hawaii, forms filled out by the sisters of their memories while serving in Hawaii, papers collected by Sr. Catherine Aiken between 1979 and 1981, photographs taken by the sisters and 9 artifacts collected by them during their work.

## Organization and Container List

### Box 1

- Folder 01** Star of the Sea Annals, 1946-1975.
- Folder 02** Sr. Julie Marie Eulogy, 1946.
- Folder 03** Star of the Sea History and Annals, 1946-1954. [Incomplete]
- Folder 04** History of Star of the Sea, no date. [Incomplete]
- Folder 05** History of Star of the Sea Parish, 1945-2000.
- Folder 06** Correspondence, 1945-1946.
- Folder 07** Letters, 1946, August.
- Folder 08** Letters, 1946, October-December.
- Folder 09** Letters, 1947-1955.
- Folder 10** Letters, 1955-1961.
- Folder 11** Letters, 1946-1949. [Copies]
- Folder 12** Letters, 1950-1956. [Copies]
- Folder 13** Parish and School Correspondence, 1952-1971.
- Folder 14** Correspondence, 1978-1986.
- Folder 15** Day of Recollection Talk, 1963.
- Folder 16** Sr. Catherine Aiken Papers, 1980.

### Box 2

- Folder 01** Convent Register, 1946-1982.
- Folder 02** Star of the Sea Newsletters, 1951-1979.
- Folder 03** Star of the Sea News Articles, 1953-1971.
- Folder 04** News Clippings, 1946-1979.
- Folder 05** Holy Family Annals, 1976-1980.
- Folder 06** Curriculum Guide, 1983.
- Folder 07** Liturgies, 1970, no date.

- Folder 08** Sisters' Memories, c. 1980.  
**Folder 09** Sisters' Memories, c. 1980.  
**Folder 10** Sisters' Interviews, 1998.  
**Folder 11** Statistics and Data, no date.  
**Folder 12** Special Education Center of Oahu Papers, 1978.  
**Folder 13** Orientation and Tourist Material, 1942-1950.  
**Folder 14** Miscellaneous Papers, 1960-1979.

### **Hawaiian Records Shelves**

Star of the Sea Yearbook, 1956.  
Star of the Sea Parish Leadership Handbook, 1994.  
Mary, Star of the Sea Church. Golden Anniversary, 1946-1996.  
Star of the Sea School, 2006-2007.

**Box 3** Photographs, 1946-1980. [203 photographs]

### **Hawaiian Artifact**

**Box** 9 artifacts collected by Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.