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St. John de Nepomuc Congregation (Milwaukee, Wis.)

Records, 1884-1994

MC 111

Volume

13.1 cubic feet

Access

Open/unrestricted except for certain financial records and marriage records.

Historical Note

St. John de Nepomuc Parish was established on April 18, 1863, and incorporated by the state of Wisconsin on December 1, 1867, followed by the opening of the dedication of the congregation's permanent church three weeks later. Located on 4th and Cherry Street, just north of downtown Milwaukee, the parish served as the center of the city's Bohemian community throughout the latter half of the 19th centuries, as the parish congregation was comprised mostly of Czech and Slovak immigrants. By the beginning of the 20th century, changes in the surrounding community called for the construction of a new church on North 38th Street, which was completed in the spring of 1928. Throughout the 1930s and 1940s, the parish began to see a significant change to the congregation's demographics, as the Bohemian portion declined, while increases in new nationalities of members brought about rise in parish and school enrollment. As a result of this growth amongst the congregation, a call for a larger church was answered in 1942, and additionally expanded in 1963. In 1985, the congregation formed a parish council to manage the operations of their organization and its continuing growth. During that same year, the parish once again expanded their congregational inclusion by allowing the Korean Catholic Community to conduct their respective services at the church. However, the adjoining school ceased operation after 117 due to dwindling enrollment over the previous years. Following a renovation of the church in 1988, the parish continued to operate until its closing on October 1, 1994, after which the congregation members of St. John du Nepomuc and nearby parishes moved to the newly created All Saints Parish.

Scope and Content *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*

The collection contains annual financial reports, school records (mainly family lists), bulletins, parish and other committee and society meeting minutes, marriage files, and membership files. Parish photographs are located in the photograph collection. Also included are records from the St. Vita Society which was a mutual benefit organization for parishioners.

Box and Folder List *This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders are listed alphabetically. "B" is an abbreviation for box and "F" is an abbreviation for folder. This list will help the researcher narrow down exactly what folder they want to look at.*

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B 1	F 8	Annual Financial Statements, 1962-1963
B 1	F 9	Annual Financial Statements, 1964-1965
B 1	F 10	Annual Financial Statements, 1966-1967
B 1	F 11	Annual Financial Statements, 1968
B 1	F 12	Annual Financial Statements, 1969
B 1	F 13	Annual Financial Statements, 1970
B 1	F 14	Annual Financial Statements, 1970
B 1	F 15	Annual Financial Statements, 1972-1981, 1984, 1987
B 2	F 1	Annual financial statements, 1969-1980, 1988
B 2	F 2	Annual parish meeting minutes, 1924-1959
B 2	F 3	Annual parish meeting minutes, 1986-1990
B 8	F 1	Bequests and estate papers
B 2	F 4	Budget, parish 1974-1975, 1977-1981 (restricted)
B 2	F 5	Budget, school 1972-1982 (restricted)
B 2	F 6	Building information, Ad hoc committee 1986
B 2	F 7	Building information, Altar fund
B 2	F 8	Building information, miscellaneous
B 12		Bulletins, 1958-65, 1973-81
B 13		Bulletins, 1982-94
B 2	F 9	Cathedraticum (Archdiocesan assessment), 1972-1983 (restricted)
B 2	F 10	Census sheets, move-outs, deaths, transfers, 1967
B 2	F 11-12	Census sheets, move-outs, deaths, transfers, 1967
B 3	F 1	Central city grade school committee, 1983-1985
B 3	F 2	Chancery, Liturgical commission bulletins, 1965-1967
B 3	F 3	Christian formation committee meeting minutes, 1987-1991
B 3	F 4	Correspondence, Archdiocese, Chancery Office, 1941, 1956, 1961-1969, 1986
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B 3	F 6	Correspondence, Legal, 1961-1991
B 3	F 7	Correspondence, Miscellaneous, 1962-1967
B 9	F 1	Estate of Florence Bowman
B 9	F 2	Estate of John Mondry
B 9	F 3	Estate of Emily Pierron
B 9	F 4	Estate of Shirley Streich
B 3	F 8	Finance committee meeting minutes, 1982-1990 (restricted)
B 3	F 9	Financial statements, monthly, Jan. 1984-Dec. 1987 (restricted)
B 3	F 10	Financial statements, monthly, Jan. 1988-Aug. 1990 (restricted)
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B 3	F 12	Holy Name Society, meeting minutes, 1958-1973
B 4	F 1	Holy Name Society, membership rosters, 1963-1964, 1968
B 4	F 2	Holy Name Society, organizational papers
B 4	F 3	Housing agreements, SSND convent 1986-1988, 1990-1994
B 4	F 4	Human Concerns committee, meeting minutes, 1985-1989
B 4	F 5	Insurance, Blue Cross-Blue Shield, 1980-1987

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B 4	F 7	Insurance, Gallgher Bassett Insurance Service, 1983-1988
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B 4	F 11	Insurance, Liberty Mutual, 1959-1963
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B 8	F 4	Property, abstract of title, 1884
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B 10	F 1	Property appraisals, 1962
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B 10	F 6	Property appraisals, 1968
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B 10	F 9	Property appraisals, 1971
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B 10	F 11	Property appraisal correspondence, 1980-88
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B 11	F 4	Property appraisals, 1979
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B 8	F 8	Property, school purchase, 1988

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B 6	F 2	School, handbooks, 1982, 1984
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B 7	F 4	Ushers club meeting minutes, 1939-1947
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B 22	F 11	Member Records, Ribbons, n.d.
B 22	F 12	St. John de Nepomuc Altar Fund, Certificate, 1964
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