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## SAINT PETER CLAVER

### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The St. Peter Claver Collection is divided into three series: Administrative Records, Financial Records, and School Records. Series I, ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS, consists of mostly newsletters and correspondence from the early 1990s. These materials are significant in that they reveal the activities of the St. Peter Claver Coalition as well as the struggles the parish community faced until its demise in 1994.

Parishioners formed St. Peter Claver's Coalition in the summer of 1985 in order to maintain their church community after the Archdiocese officially suppressed the parish in June of that year. Although the St. Peter Claver Church received no financial support from the Archdiocese, it remained open and active due to the fact that the property was owned by the Holy Ghost Fathers, not the Archdiocese. Without the consent of the St. Peter Claver Community, the Holy Ghost Fathers closed the church in the summer of 1994 with the intention of establishing, in cooperation with the Archdiocese, a center for the Evangelization of African Americans.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS contains the materials maintained by Pattie J. Griffin, the Church Council Secretary and Archivist, from the time period of the Coalition's existence, 1985-1994. The correspondence, community newsletters, and church bulletins, organized chronologically, provide information regarding the suppression of the parish, the subsequent activities of the Coalition, the closing of the church, and finally, the opening of the Evangelization Center for African Americans.

Along with correspondence, Griffin included related items such as announcements for organized protests and demonstrations, and newspaper clippings.

Series II, FINANCIAL RECORDS, contains a relatively small amount of material. It includes parishioners' contributions and donations to the church, spanning the years 1966-1979, as well as monthly financial statements of St. Peter Claver's Coalition from about 1986 to 1988.

Bound volumes of student reports from St. Peter Claver School (closed 1984), spanning the years 1926-1982, form the bulk of Series III, SCHOOL RECORDS. The reports include information on students' attendance and grades.

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(1996.043 and 1997.013)

Series I ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS

Box Folder  
No. No.

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|---|-----|---|
| 1 | 1   | Various parish history-related items  |
| 1 | 2-4 | Correspondence. Organized by Pattie J. Griffin, Church Council Secretary.<br>Includes description of letters along with items relating to correspondence. |
|   | 2   | 1985-1991. Includes copy of the original May 21, 1896 deed.   |
|   | 3   | 1992-1993   |
|   | 4   | 1994  |
| 1 | 5-7 | Church/ Community Bulletins and Newsletters   |
|   | 5   | 1992. Includes 2 bulletins from 1991 and 1 bulletin from 1988.  |
|   | 6   | 1993  |
|   | 7   | 1994-1995   |
| 1 | 8-9 | Parish Organizations  |
|   | 8   | C.Y.O. minutes submitted by acting secretaries. Marble notebook.<br>October 6, 1963 - October 17, 1965.   |
|   | 9   | Programs for various activities of parish organizations   |
| 1 | 10  | Miscellaneous administrative forms and list of parishioners, including contact information.   |
| 1 | 11  | Ephemera of parish-related activities   |

Series I

ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS

Box Folder  
No. No.

2 1 Announcement Book. Binder containing daily and weekly record of parish activities. Handwritten and typed sheets. January 27, 1952 - January 1, 1953.

2 2-4 Guest Books

2 "Our Church Guests." September 1986 - April 1988.

3 "Guest Book." For various meetings/ conferences. May 8, 1986 - June 11, 1989.

4 Guests of the St. Peter Claver Church Community on the Occasion of the 101<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the St. Peter Claver Union on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 1987 at St. Peter Claver R.C. Church.

Series II

FINANCIAL RECORDS

2 5 "St. Peter Claver's Coalitions: Cash Receipts and Disbursements Journal and Monthly Financial Statements as of October 1, 1986." October 1986- November 1988.

2 6 "Annual Dinner and Raffle." ca. 1961-1962.

3 Contributions records (collections, donations). 2 books. Bound. 1966-1979.

Series III

SCHOOL RECORDS

3 1 Folder containing miscellaneous papers

3 Student transfer reports

2 small black binders. 1982-1983 and 1983-1984

Series III SCHOOL RECORDS

Box Folder  
No. No.

4 Attendance/ Grade Reports. Bound.

1926-1928 (Girls); 1930-31; 1932-1933; 1935-36 (Boys);  
1935-36  
(Boys); 1936- 37 (Boys).

5 1937-38 (Girls); 1937-38 (Boys)1938-39 (A-K); 1938-39  
(L-Y);  
1939-40 (A-K); 1940-41 (Boys).

6 1941-42 (Boys);1941-42 (Girls); 1942-43 (A-K); 1942-43  
(L-Y);  
1943-44 (A-J); 1943-44 (K-Y).

7 1944-45 (A-H); 1944-45 (J-Y); 1945-46 (A-K); 1945-46  
(L-Y);  
1946-47; 1951-52 (A-K).

8 1953-54 (A-M); 1955-56 (A-L); 1956-57 (A-L); 1959-60  
(A-L);  
1964-65;1967-68.

9 1968-69; 1969-70; 1970-71; 1971-72; 1973-74; 1974-75.

10 1976-77; 1977-78; 1978-79; 1979-80; 1980-81; 1981-82.

**1996.043 and 1997.013**  
**Saint Peter Claver**

**Parish Histories- Removed and placed in Parish History Collection (PH0120)**

*Historic St. Peter Claver R.C. Church: 101<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, September 6, 1987.*  
*Golden Jubilee of St. Peter Claver's, 1886-1936. Photocopy.*

**Photographs- Removed and placed in Photograph Collection**

Three (3) 8" x 12" Black and white photographs. Descriptions of photos attached to the back.

Men's Holy Name Society. 1961.

Combined choirs of St. Peter Claver and St. Theresa. 1961.

School class. n.d.

One (1) 8" x 10" Black and white photograph. Description of photo attached to the back.

Sodality Club. 1961.

Envelope containing four (4) 3 ½" x 5" color photographs of "Men's Day," October 1993. Descriptions included.

Envelope containing five (5) 3 ½" x 5" color photographs of "Afro-centric Sunday,"

November 1993. Descriptions included.

Envelope containing eight (8) 4" x 6" color photographs of the Black Unity and Spiritual Togetherness Regional Meeting, 1994. Descriptions included.

Envelope containing ten (10) 3 ½" x 4 ½" color photographs of the May Crowning, 1993.

Tape cassette marked "Leadership" and dated 4/24/89- Removed and placed in Audiovisual Collection.

**Published Materials- Removed and placed in Library**

*The New Testament: Today's English Version*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. First several pages missing.  
*Hymns used by the Pupils of the Sisters of Notre Dame*. Boston: The Angel Guardian Press, 1948.

*Liber Usualis: Missae et Officii*. New York: J. Fischer and Bro., 1931.

Monthly Missalette. November 1973.

Seasonal Missalettes: February- March 1986; January-March 1987 (2 copies); March-April 1987; April- June 1987; April- May 1988; February- March

1989;

June-August 1990; October- December 1990 (2 copies).

**Music Materials (mostly sheet music)- Removed and placed in Music Collection**

People's Mass Book Committee. *People's Mass Book: Hymns, Psalms, Masses, and Bible Services for participation of the faithful at mass and other services according to the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*. Cincinnati: World Library of Sacred Music, Inc. 1964.

The Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement. *St. Francis Little Hymnal: One Hundred and One Hymns*. New York, 1925.

DeBruyn, Randall, ed. *Music Issue 1986*. Oregon Catholic Press. (2 copies).

*Music for the High Mass*. The New Liturgy Press, Inc. 1964. (2 copies).

*Complete Music for the Restored Holy Week Liturgy*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Boston: McLaughlin and Reilly, Co., 1957. (2 copies).

Bernier, Conrad. *Accompaniments, Chants, and Songs*. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic Education Press, 1943.

Rossini, Carlo. *The Liturgical Organist: Preludes, Interludes, Postludes For Pipe- or Reed Organ*. Glen Rock, N.J.: J. Fischer & Bro.

Selner, Rev. John C., arr. *Chants of the Passion According to Matthew and John*. Chicago: Gregorian Institute of America, 1967.

Book of hymns. First couple pages, including cover, missing. Begins with the "Preface."

1905.

Sibelius, Jean. *Chorale from "Finlandia"*. Philadelphia: Oliver Ditson Co.

Temple, Sebastian. *Sing! People of God, Sing!* Cincinnati: World Library of Sacred Music, 1969.

*Franz Schubert Songs*. New York: G. Schirmer, Inc., 1929.

Four (4) folders of various photocopied songs and hymns.

**Saint Teresa of Avila School Records- Removed and made into separate collection (MC89)**

Grade/Attendance Reports. Bound.

1953-56; 1962-63 (Girls); 1963-64 (Boys); 1964-65 (Girls); 1967-68; 1968-69; 1969-70; 1970-71; 1971-72.

## **Parish Records**

Folder of various parish history-related items

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Folder containing ephemera of church-related activities.

Correspondence- Items, such as announcements and newspaper articles, related to correspondence included in folders 1985-1994.

Church/ Community Bulletins and Newsletters, 1988- 1995.

## **Awards**

Certificates and plaques for 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration

Plaque for Sodality Club

## **Financial records**

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## **School Records**



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Folder containing miscellaneous papers.