

Guide to the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church (Rusk County) Records, 1866–1981

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Summary Information

Title: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church (Flambeau, Rusk County, Wis.) Records **Inclusive Dates:** 1866–1981

Creator: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church (Flambeau, Rusk County, Wis.)

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Repository: Housed at the Area Research Center, William D. McIntyre Library, University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire; owned by the Wisconsin Historical Society, Library-Archives Division

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Abstract: Records of a parish which first served French-Canadian settlers and Chippewa Indians; including a record book, 1866-1908, noting baptisms, first communions, confirmations, and marriages; financial records; and miscellaneous papers.

Language: English, French

Biography/History

Records of a church constructed in 1881, the first church in Rusk County, Wisconsin.

Located along the Chippewa River, the parish first served a congregation of French-Canadian settlers and Chippewa Indians. At its centennial in 1981, it still served a small congregation and was administered as a mission of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Bruce, Wisconsin.

Scope and Content Note

The records consist of a sacramental record book, 1866–1908, in French noting baptisms, first communions, confirmation, and marriages; financial records, 1880–1968; and miscellaneous papers, 1879–1981. Included in the miscellaneous papers are a mimeographed history of the community, an 1879 subscription list for building the church, an 1884 petition from Flambeau citizens seeking to eliminate saloons from the community, clippings and memorabilia from the 1981 church centennial, and other items.

Administrative/Restriction Information

Acquisition Information

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Search Terms/Subject Terms

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- French Americans—Wisconsin—Rusk County
- Ojibwa Indians—Wisconsin—Rusk County
- Temperance—Wisconsin—Rusk County
- Flambeau (Wis.)—History
- Rusk County (Wis.)—Church history—Sources

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	Financial Records
Box/Folder 1/56	Unbound papers, 1880-1954
Box/Folder 1/116	Account book, 1921-1968
Box/Folder 1/171	Miscellaneous Papers, 1879-1981