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Summary information

Repository:	Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary Archives
Title:	Beiseker, St. Mary
Title [Other title information] :	Beiseker, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Reference code:	BSM
Date:	1909-1995 (creation)
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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

In 1907 Tinchebray Father, L. Forget visited Beiseker. Mass was celebrated in the home of Ludwig Schmalz and family. In 1909 the small Catholic community began work on a formal church, completing the building in 1910. A rectory was added in 1914 but it wasn't until 1920 that Beiseker received its first resident pastor. The church was expanded in 1926. The rectory, which was destroyed by fire, was rebuilt in 1944 and a new, enlarged church was completed in 1956, when it was blessed as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There were 140 registered members in 1956 and 450 in 1972. By the 1980s there was significant loss of population as young people moved out of the area and by 1996 there were only 142 registered members.

Scope and content

Collection consists of papers related to the parish of Beiseker, St. Mary.

Notes

Other notes

- **Publication status**: Published
- **Level of detail**: Full
- **Status description**: Draft

Series descriptions

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
BSM-C-1	**File - Correspondence to Bishop Emil Legal, O.M.I.**	1909-1925	15 documents
	Physical storage:		
	Box: 206.4590		
	Scope and content:		
	File consists of letters to Bishop Emil Legal, O.M.I. from parish priests of Beiseker concerning parish life.		
BSM-R-1	**File - Annual reports**	1911-1912	2 documents
	Physical storage:		
	Box: 206.4608		
	Scope and content:		
	File consists of annual reports for St. Mary's Church, Beiseker for 1911 and 1912.		
BSM-PU-1	**File - Publications**	1958-1995	5 documents
	Physical storage:		
	Box: 54.1340		
	Physical storage:		
	Box: 54.1341		
	Scope and content:		
	File consists of a parish history and 50th anniversary (1908-1958) booklets for St. Mary's, Beiseker dated 1958. Also includes parish pictorial directory, 1995.		