CHURCH AND COMMUNITY: ST. LAWRENCE PARISH (1895-1930's), IHRG PROJECT, 1995

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USER INFORMATION

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NOTES: This collection consists of the final report for a project undertaken as part of Indiana Heritage Research Grant #95-3008. The grantee was the St. Lawrence Centennial Committee, 1916 Meharry St., Lafayette, IN 47904. The project was co-sponsored by the Tippecanoe County Historical Association, 909 South St., Lafayette, IN 47901.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The St. Lawrence Centennial Committee and the Tippecanoe County Historical Association received an Indiana Heritage Research Grant (IHRG) from the Indiana Humanities Council and the Indiana Historical Society. The purpose of the grant was to document and evaluate the spiritual, cultural and social activities of St. Lawrence Parish, a working-class parish in Lafayette, Indiana (Tippecanoe Co.) The project produced an anthology of interviews, photographs and newspaper clippings, which is available at the Indiana Historical Society (holdings include interviews only), Indiana Humanities Council, St. Lawrence Parish and the Tippecanoe County Historical Association. All project materials were organized into the St. Lawrence Collection housed at the Tippecanoe County Historical Association.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

"Church and Community: St. Lawrence Parish (1895-1930's)" was completed as part of an Indiana Heritage Research Grant (#95-3008) awarded to the St. Lawrence Centennial Committee and the Tippecanoe County Historical Association in 1995. This collection consists of a copy of the final report for the project. The report contains an abstract, oral history interview questions, a list of interviewees, typescripts of interviews, and copies of interview essays.

Topics discussed during the interviews include: ethnic and economic make-up of the parish; relationships with the Monon Shops; descriptions of the original church/school; religious celebrations; religious societies and social activities; St. Lawrence school days; the Ku Klux Klan; the Great Depression and World War II; the Order of Friar Minors of Cincinnati; and the Sisters of Saint Francis, Mishawaka, Indiana (St. Joseph Co.).

Interviewees include: Dorothy Acker, Rose (Vanderkolk) Anthrop, Sister M. Belane Apel, Louis Behler, Robert J. Behler, James Bongen, Mary Bongen, Joseph Bonner, Sr., Donald J. Boveri, Sister M. Ina Bresnahan, Esther (Deerr) Coomey, Pat Coomey, James Cors, Rachel (Robinson) Cowgill, Father Edwin Deane, Edward Deephouse, Eileen (Humbert) Dewenter, Father Bernard Gerbus, Genevieve (Kessen) Hitze, Sister M. Mariella Hoffman, Sister M. Alfredilla Hubertz, Emma (Behringer) Jacot, Clara (Obermeyer) Jansen, Agnes (VanDame) Kingma, Mary (Lahrman) Ketterer, Rosemary (Acker) Kochert, Valentine "Dick" Kockert, Catherine (Cors) Leaman, Sister M. Miriam McDowell, Eugene McManus, Dorothy McQuire, Jim McQuire, Elizabeth (Halsema) Miller, Vincent "Butz" Moser, Rosemary (Ostheimer) Myer, Alfred H. Nelson, Elizabeth (Vanderkolk) Niccum, Robert Ostheimer, Mai Genevieve (Klooz) Parsons, Lawrence Redinbo, Sister M. Celerita Reuzenaar, Leona (Zipp) Richard, Marilyn (Dalrymple) Runkle, Marjorie L. Ryves, Bernice Schmitt, Edna (Schmitt) Steill, Father Conan John Taylor, Edward VanDame, Father Noel Williams, Catherine (Kessen) Zahn.

The oral history typescripts are arranged alphabetically by interviewee, and are followed by a typescript of a Guided Autobiography Interview. Guided Autobiography Essays, arranged alphabetically by interviewee, complete the collection.

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