INDIANAPOLIS ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN RECORDS, 1938-1992

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USER INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Indianapolis Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (I.A.C.C.W.) was founded in 1938 with its first meeting taking place in Indianapolis on 5 December of that year. The Reverend August R. Fussenegger served as the Spiritual

Director and Mrs. Charles L. Barry was the organization's first president. The Indianapolis Archdiocesan Council is a member of the National Council of Catholic Women and seeks to unite Catholic organizations and individual Catholic Women of the United States in purpose, direction, and action in religious, educational, social, and economic fields; to stimulate these organizations to greater efficiency and usefulness in meeting the needs of the times; and to render them assistance in these efforts; to serve as a medium through which the Catholic women in the United States may speak and act as a unit on all matters of public interest; and to establish relations with other national and international groups in an endeavor to create interest in, and to aid in the solution of present day moral, educational, social, and economic problems.

The I.A.C.C.W. is divided in deanery or district councils which serve the local needs of the archdiocesan organization. The council also maintains commissions (originally committees) that serve specific needs such as family affairs (religious education and family life), church communities (scripture, liturgy, ecumenism), community affairs (local needs), international affairs (peace and education for international understanding), and organization services (internal maintenance and development of the organization).

Source: Information in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is comprised of the records and correspondence of the I.A.C.C.W., its local deanery councils, and its commissions or committees, 1938-1992. Included are meeting minutes, reports, programs, activities, and related materials for the Archdiocesan Council's general administrative operations, 1938-1992. There are also printed materials regarding the council such as newsletters/bulletins, 1941-1988, programs and publications, 1940s-1980s, and newsclippings, 1939-1990s.

Also included are reports, meetings, programs, correspondence, and publications from the council's deanery chapters from New Albany, Terre Haute, Tell City, Richmond, North Vernon, Indianapolis, Indianapolis South, and Lawrenceburg/Batesville, 1938-1992, describing local activities and operations. In addition, there are records and reports of the activities for the organization's specialized area commissions/committees such as youth, education, legislation, liturgy, and local community social service.

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CATALOGUING INFORMATION

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National Council of Catholic Women (U.S.)

Catholic Church. Archdiocese of Indianapolis (Ind.)

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Catholic Church--Education--Indiana

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Women in church work--Indiana--Catholic Church

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