St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, Beaumont, Texas
Date Range: 1958-1980
Quantity: 10 full size boxes (3 feet, 8 inches)

History

On September 4, 1962 St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, a Vincentian minor seminary for high school students interested in entering the priesthood, opened in temporary quarters at the former St. Theresa Hospital in Beaumont, Texas. The following year the faculty and students moved into newly constructed campus buildings located about ten miles north in an area known as Lumberton. Although full academic accreditation was granted by the Texas Education Agency in 1970, the Vincentians began discussing the viability of the school in 1972 (see Box 2, Folder 8). In 1979, a team from Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) completed a study which evaluated the school's formation program and finances (see Box 2, Folder 9). The school closed on May 22, 1980.

Description

The St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, Beaumont, Texas Collection is divided into nine categories: History and Background, Vincentian Community Life, Administrative Files, Academic Files, Students, Photographs, Publications, Financial Files, and Property Files. The files in each category are arranged chronologically. From 1961 to 1965 the Vincentians served as administrators of Central Catholic School, a co-ed high school built in Beaumont by the Diocese of Galveston-Houston. Materials related to this institution are filed in Box 10.

Related Collections: Provincial Files: Rev. James A. Fischer, C.M. and Rev. Cecil Parres, C.M.

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Location

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Container List

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1	**History & Background**		
	1	Historical Facts	1958-1985
	2	History: Diary Notes	1962-1967
	3	Newspaper Clippings	1961-1977
	Vincentian Community Life		
	4	Visitation Reports	1962-1969
	5	Ledger Book: Ordinances of Visitation: Central Catholic High School (1962, 1964) Domestic Assemblies: Minutes (1968, 1973)	1962-1973
	6	Ledger Book: Ordinances of Visitations: Central Catholic High School	1963
	7	Ledger Book: House Council: Minutes	1962-1974

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2		**Administrative Files**	
	1	Correspondence: Rev. Maurice Hymel, C.M.	1959-1970
	2	Articles of Incorporation	1961-1963
	3	General Correspondence	1962-1977
	4	Correspondence: Parents of students	1962-1976
	5	Correspondence: Diocese of Beaumont	1967-1971
	6	Correspondence: Parents Club	1967-1971
	7	Arrangements Between St. Vincent's and the LaSallette Fathers	1972-1977
	8	Correspondence: Vincentian opinions on the future of St. Vincent's	1972
	9	CARA: Study of Formation Programs and Finances	1979
		Academic Files	
	10	Faculty Meetings: Minutes	1962-1970
	11	Faculty Handbook	1968, 1972
	12	Faculty: Miscellaneous Material	1969-1977
	13	Student Calendars	1967-1973
	14	Class Schedules	1962-1978
	15	School Catalogues	1967-1973
3		**Students**	
	1	Student Rosters	1965-1980
	2	Student Handbooks	1972, 1977
	3	Student Programs: Events, Ceremonies, Activities	1964-1969
	4	The Vanguards: Correspondence, Programs, Photos	1964-1968
	5	Recordings: Vincentian Vanguards	n.d.
	6	Vocation Programs: Correspondence, Brochures	1964-1978
	7	Vocation Director's Handbook	1977
	8	Vocation Week	1965, 1973
	9	Vocation Week	1976
	10	Vocation Week	1977
	11	Vocation Week	1978
	12	Vocation Week Handbook	1979
4		**Photographs**	
	1	Photographs	1961
	2	Photographs	1962
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	4	Photographs: Ground Breaking	1963
	5	Photographs: Dedication of Dormitory	1964
	6	Photographs	1965
	7	Photographs	1966
	8	Photographs	1967
	9	Photographs: Dedication of Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal	1967
	10	Photographs	1968-1969
	11	Photographs	1975
	12	Photographs	n.d.

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4A	**Publications**		
	1	Beaumont/Cape Alumni: Correspondence, Newsletters	1959-1973
	2	Southern Vincentian	1962-1966
	3	Southern Vincentian Newsletter	1967-1969
	4	Beaumont Vincent Newsletter	1969-1974
5	1	The Vanguard (Yearbook)	1963-1967
6	1	The Vanguard (Yearbook)	1968-1972
7	1	The Vanguard (Yearbook)	1973-1977
8	1	The Vanguard (Yearbook)	1978-1980
9	**Property Files**		
	1	Property, Deeds, etc.	1948-1971
	2	Harden County Property Survey	1959-1971
	3	Quit Claim Deed: East Texas Pulp and Paper Company: Correspondence and Legal Documents	1960-1963
	4	Lease: St. Therese Hospital Property	1962
	5	Gulf States Utilities: Easement	1964
	Financial Files		
	6	Financial Reports: Summaries	1962-1980
	7	Vincentian Seminary Development Program: Correspondence	1963
	8	Vincentian Seminary Development Program: Correspondence	1964
	9	Construction of Dormitory: Correspondence	1964-1964
	10	Lumberton School District: Taxes	1968
	11	Construction of Gymnasium: Correspondence	1975-1976
	12	Stillings Bequest, Port Arthur Texas: Correspondence	1968-1972
	13	Bodin (Dennis and Lutitia) Bequest: Testamentary Trust	1975
10	**Catholic Central High School Files**		
	1	Dedication, Graduation Programs, Photos, Newspaper Clippings	1961-1962
	2	Newspaper: The Barker	1961-1964
	3	Yearbook: The Medallion	1962-1964

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