Vincentian Motor Missions
1934-1965
Quantity: 6 feet, 8 inches (18 full size boxes, 3 photo binder boxes, 1 oversize box)

History

The American Catholic rural life movement of pre-Vatican II is notable for the revival of "street preaching" or the "motor missions" that spread primarily throughout the Midwest and South during the 1920s and 1930s. Professional groups and devotional societies were organized by Catholics in order to support each other and reinforce their Catholic identity. In 1923 the National Catholic Rural Life Conference (NCRLC) was established in St. Louis. The group, composed of religious leaders and lay people, set out to improve the spiritual lives of farmers by bringing the teachings of the Roman Catholic faith to their doorsteps.[1]

The rural life movement sparked considerable interest in some of the Vincentian seminarians who were seeking ways to counteract the bigotry and anti-catholic bias rampant in the late 1920s and 1930s. Three seminarians in particular, Rev. Lester Fallon, C.M., Rev. Joseph McIntyre, C.M., and Rev. Joseph Phoenix, C.M., were so taken with the concept of "street preaching" and "motor missions" that they signed a contract in 1927 that stated they would pursue such a project after ordination. The Vincentian Motor Missions actually started as a "summer project" based on a model developed by Rev. Stephen Leven. In 1934, Fr. Fallon worked in this apostolate and used his experiences to set up the Vincentian model in the summer of 1935 when he reunited with Fr. McIntyre and Fr. Phoenix. The first experience was so successful that the "summer project" became a major part of the new apostolate the Western Province of the Congregation of the Mission was seeking. Seminarians and deacons from Saint Mary's of the Barrens, Perryville, Missouri were given the opportunity to participate in the "Street Preaching Apostolate" as a part of their curriculum.

Fathers Fallon, McIntyre, and Phoenix based the Motor Mission sessions on old revival techniques. The actual service consisted of music, a presentation or series of talks, and a question box that was provided prior to the scheduled service. The question boxes were a very popular feature. Questions submitted anonymously by local residents addressed many misconceptions about priests, nuns, and Catholics in general. Some questions reflected prejudice, bigotry, and misinformation. These beliefs predominated in the 1924 and 1928 presidential elections when Al Smith, a Catholic, ran for the office and carried over into the thirties. The popularity of the Motor Missions grew with the advent of technological advances and through word of mouth promotion. By 1939, this new evangelization apostolate was firmly established. A manual was developed to insure a systematic approach – a syllabus of sorts for the seminarians. In the 1940s, the Vincentians used house trailers with movable chapels and speaking platforms outfitted with a sound system. The back of the trailer opened out to provide a space for an altar that could be used for mass and baptisms, confessions, etc. When not in use for religious services, the trailer provided living quarters for the priests. Sometimes priests were

[1] For a detailed account of the Catholic rural life movement and the role of the motor missions in this movement please see the following book by Jeffrey D. Marlett, *Saving the Heartland: Catholic Missionaries in Rural America* (DeKalb, Illinois: Northern Illinois University Press, 2002). Part of DePaul University's Special Collections holdings: SpC. 266.273 M347s2002

invited to stay with town residents. Their schedules varied, sometimes staying in one place for two or more weeks and at other times just a night or two.[2]

By the late 1940s and 1950s, the Catholic rural life movement lost its momentum. World War II brought problems that affected the Motor Missions – lack of gasoline, unavailability of parts needed for the aging vehicles, the war effort, and escalating costs. Following the war, advances in technology provided most areas of the United States with television, an alternative source of entertainment and information which effectively diminished the attraction of street preachers. Closer to home, the Western Province was having problems staffing its educational institutions, parishes, and seminaries. This, alongside the broader issues and changes facing the United States, caused the province to withdraw its support of Motor Mission apostolate in May 1965. The Vincentian Motor Missions lasted for 30 years with perhaps 10 years of truly remarkable accomplishments. In 1965, the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau assumed responsibility for the continuation of the motor missions under the direction of Rev. Leonard R. Chambers, a diocesan priest. The diocesan motor mission project continued for nine years under Fr. Chambers's leadership until his reassignment in 1974. Prior to its end, the movement became a "foot mission" that focused on home visiting and the circulation of publications and displays at conventions, fairs, etc. This format did not evoke the same response. However, Fr. Chambers concluded that the concept of the Motor Missions was said to be the "most successful evangelization effort used in Missouri."[3]

Description of Collection

The records of the Motor Missions span the dates 1934 to 1965 and are arranged in ten categories: Manuals/Talks, Questions, Publications, Publicity, Reports, Summary Report Research Files, Correspondence, Director's Files, Memorabilia, and Photographs. There is one file of papers and articles written about the Motor Missions which are gathered together in a folder titled, **History and Background** (Box 1, Folder 1).

Manuals and Talks are arranged chronologically and document the evolution of the motor mission apostolate during the 1940s and 1950s. The manuals include background information, practical instructions and guidelines, text for the series of talks, and answers to frequently asked questions. In the 1950 Motor Mission Manual there is an extensive section titled the "Question Manual" which was written, "to help the Motor Missioner in handling one of the most important parts of Street Preaching – the answering of questions." In the 1930s and 1940s, the **questions**, dropped in the question box by motor mission attendees, were typed and compiled. These lists of questions may have been used in preparation and training the priests and seminaries prior to the 1950 manual. Some original questions submitted on small slips of paper that were deposited into the question box have survived. The questions are arranged by geographic location and are housed in Box 2.

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[2] "Works of Devotion, Evangelization and Service" chap. in *The American Vincentians: A Popular History of the Congregation of the Mission in the United States, 1818-1987* (Brooklyn, New York: New City Press, 1988), 417-420. Part of DePaul University's Special Collections holdings: SPC. 271.79 A512V

[3] Fr. Mark G. Boyer, "The Motor Missions: A Former Means of Evangelization, Part III: Under Diocesan Leadership," The Mirror (Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau), 27 September 1991. Part of Motor Missions Collection: Newspaper/Magazine Articles, Box 1, Folder 1.

Publications are arranged chronologically. Included in this category are newsletters written by Vincentians; magazines and newspaper articles about the Motor Missions; religious pamphlets that were passed out to attendees and also collected by the missionaries. Radio, print, postcards, and signs were used to publicize the events and accomplishments of the Motor Missions. The **Publicity Files**, arranged chronologically, include radio talks, articles written for newspapers, invitations, flyers, and handbills. Box 22 contains oversize publications and publicity materials.

There are four types of **Reports**. The **Missouri Reports** (Boxes 4-9) and **Alabama-Texas Reports** (Boxes 9-10), written by the priests and seminarians who conducted the Motor Missions are arranged alphabetically by state and/or town. These reports, submitted to the director at the end of each mission noted details such as the size of the audience, the weather, the number of questions answered, the attitude of the crowd, religious influence of the town, and the hospitality of the mayor or sheriff. In addition to the standard form, a narrative of the week's events was included. These narratives describe the routine and often humorous experiences of the missionaries in Southern Missouri. A typed list of questions asked by attendees was also part of the report, and a list of expenses was often included. **End of the Summer Reports** and **Statistical and Financial Reports**, most likely compiled by the director of the Motor Missions, are arranged chronologically. During Rev. Oscar Miller's, C.M., administration of the Motor Missions (1954-1965) information was extracted from the missionaries' reports. Fr. Miller's intentions and the end result of the project are not clear from the existing files. Fr. Miller and his secretary compiled information about the towns where the missions took place and the personnel who gave the missions. These **Summary Report Research** files, a name devised by the processors, are arranged alphabetically.

Correspondence dates from 1935 to 1965. It includes a great variety of topics, including publicity, scheduling of services, samples of questions raised by interested parties, requests for inclusion as a mission site, and "thank-you" letters from communities and individuals. Also included are annual reports, records of financial support from individual contributors and the Propagation of the Faith Society. Various problems between the Archdiocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, Archdiocese of St. Louis and the Vincentian community are documented as well as those that occurred between the Vincentians themselves. Some legal matters are also contained in the files and personal communications between those active in the Motor Mission ministry. During the summer months, the director primarily received letters describing various difficulties experienced by the missionaries while they were on the road (i.e., status of their vehicle, broken loud speaker equipment, and lack of funds). There is a gradual increase in the amount of correspondence up to the late 1940's and a slow down starting in the year 1959 with fewer requests for scheduling of the Motor Missions until its closure in 1965.

The **Director's Files**, arranged chronologically, were most likely maintained by the directors of the Motor Missions. Activities and subjects related to the routine administration of the Motor Missions are documented in these files. Financial information about the Motor Mission is located in the Reports category.

Memorabilia contains the diary of Gerald J. Stamm, a seminarian who was part of a team in 1938. His entries give a vivid portrait of life and duties as part of the Motor Mission experience.

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Photographs are arranged in chronological order and depict the seminarians and priests in various activities associated with the Motor Missions. Special occasions such as the blessing of the trailers, out-door masses and a mission conducted for school children in Kinlock, Missouri are also included here. The majority of the photos are from the 1940s and 1950s.

Related Collections
Personnel Files of Rev. Lester Fallon, C.M., Rev. Joseph McIntyre, C.M., and Rev. Joseph Phoenix, C.M, Crusade Courses (Confraternity Home Study Service)

Restrictions
None

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Box	Folder	Title	Date
1	1	Historical background of Motor Missions	various
	Manuals/Talks		
	2	Manual for Street Preaching, by Motor Missionaries of the Denver, Colorado Diocese	1941
	3	A Motor Mission Manual, by Rev. Philip J. LeFevre, C.M., Rev. Richard W. Gieselman, C.M., and Rev. Orlis F. North	1949
	4	Motor Mission Manual, by Rev. Richard W. Gieselman, C.M. and Rev. Orlis F. North, C.M.	1950
	5	Motor Mission Manual by the students of St. Thomas Seminary	1955
	6	Motor Missions Scripture Questions, by Rev. Joseph Lilly, C.M.	c.1955
	7	Motor Mission Talks, Talks about Sacraments by Rev. Orlis F. North, C.M.	1947-1951
	8	Motor Mission Talks, Series I	n.d.
	9	Motor Mission Talks, Series II	n.d.
	10	Motor Mission Talks, Series III, author unidentified	n.d.
2	**Questions**		
	1	Questions asked during the Catholic Motor Missions	1935
	2	Motor Missions Questions	c. 1936
	3	Motor Missions Questions	1947
	4	Preparatory Motor Missions Questions	n.d.
	Questions, Handwritten (deposited in Question Box)		
	5	Questions, Ava, MO	1957
	6	Questions, Bloomfield, MO	1956
	7	Questions, Bragg City, MO	1956
	8	Questions, Gobler, MO	1954
	9	Questions, Holcomb, MO	1956
	10	Questions, Myrtle, MO	1957
	11	Questions, Naylor, MO	1954

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2	12	Questions, New Madrid, MO	n.d.
	13	Questions, St. Louis, MO	1957
	14	Questions, Senath, MO	n.d.
	15	Questions, Seymour, MO	1957
	16	Questions, Thayer, MO	1954
	17	Questions, Auburn, AL	1950
	18	Questions, Opelika, AL	n.d.
	20	Questions, Roanoke, AL	n.d.
	21-25	Questions, place unidentified (five file folders w/envelopes)	n.d.
3	**Publications**		
	1	Magazine articles	1935-1950
	2	Newspaper clippings	1938-1949
	3	"Good News"	c. 1939
	4	Newsletters, "Mission Notes"	1949
	5	Newsletters, "Mission Notes"	1950
	6	Newspaper clippings	1950-1965
	7	Newspaper clippings	1991
	8	Comic book, "This is the Story," featuring Rev. L.J. Fallon, C.M.	n.d.
	9	Religious pamphlets	n.d.
	10	Religious pamphlets, non-Catholic	n.d.
	11	Street-preaching leaflets by Fr. Leo M. Herken	n.d.
	Publicity		
	12	Radio talks on WEW	1936
	13	Drafts for radio talks on WEW	c.1936
	14	Articles written for publications	1939-1952
	15	Articles written for publication in St. Louis Register	1948-1958
	16	Publicity, miscellaneous	1948-1956
	17	Questions published in St. Louis Register	1949
	18	Announcements and invitations	n.d.
	19	Brochures and flyers	n.d.
	20	Posters and handbills	n.d.
	SEE BOX 22 FOR OVERSIZE PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY MATERIALS		
4	**Reports, Missouri**		
	1	Advance	1936-1937
	2	Allenton	1948-1949
	3	Alton	1937-1956
	4	Amy	1942
	5	Anniston	1949
	6	Antonia	1936-1954
	7	Ash Grove	1957
	8	Ava	1957
	9	Bakersfield	1957
	10	Belle	1949
	11	Bell City	1948-1950

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4	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	12	Benton	1935-1948
	13	Berkeley	1949
	14	Bernie	1941-1953
	15	Bertrand	1949
	16	Beulah	1938
	17	Birch Tree	1937-1955
	18	Birmingham	1936
	19	Bismark	1936-1941
	20	Blackwell	1936
	21	Bland	1948
	22	Bloomfield	1935-1956
	23	Bowling Green	1947
	24	Bragg City	1951-1956
	25	Bragadoccio	1941-1951
	26	Brandsville	1937-1950
	27	Brazito	1944-1946
	28	Briscoe	1944
	29	Brookfield	1935-1936
	30	Brown's Station	1941
	31	Burfordsville	1947-1950
	32	Burlington Junction	1936-1937
	33	Burnham	1942
	34	Cabool	1937-1954
	35	Campbell	1938-1957
	36	Canton	1936
	37	Cape Girardeau	1935-1949
	38	Cardwell	1955-1957
	39	Carollton	1936
	40	Carrington	1949
	41	Carr Park	1936
	42	Caruthersville	1940-1962
	43	Catawissa	1949-1950
	44	Cedar City	1944-1946
	45	Centertown	1944-1946
5	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	1	Centralia	1939-1940
	2	Chaffee	1936-1948
	3	Charleston	1936-1949
	4	Clarence	1936-1937
	5	Clarksville	1949-1951
	6	Clarkton	1942-1956
	7	Clearmont	1937
	8	Commerce	1947-1949
	9	Cooter	1951-1956

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5	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	10	Cottleville	1948-1958
	11	Cottonwood	1951
	12	Couch	1937-1943
	13	Crocker	1938-1939
	14	Crossroads (near Cottleville & New Melle)	1948-1949
	15	Crosstown	1949
	16	Crump	1948
	17	Cuba	1938
	18	Curryville	1947-1948
	19	Davis	1944
	20	Deering	1951
	21	Defiance	1950
	22	Delta	1937-1949
	23	Denton	1954
	24	Desloge	1942-1943
	25	Desoto	1936
	26	Dexter	1940-1956
	27	Diehlstadt	1959
	28	Dixon	1938-1939
	29	Doniphan	1940-1954
	30	Dutchtown	1950
	31	East Prairie	1949
	32	Edgar Springs	1939
	33	Elk Creek	1943
	34	Ellington	1940-1959
	35	Ellsinore	1952
	36	Elmo	1937
	37	Elsberry	1949-1950
	38	Elston	1946-1947
	39	Eminence	1938-1956
	40	Essex	1941-1943
	41	Fagus	1955
	42	Fanchon	1942
	43	Fanning	1938
	44	Fisk	1951
	45	Flat River	1943
	46	Foristell	1948-1949
	47	Fredericktown	1935-1936
	48	Fremont	1938-1956
	49	Fruitland	1947-1949
6	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	1	Fulton	1947
	2	Gainesville	1957
	3	Gideon	1941-1957

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6	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	4	Gilman City	1936
	5	Glenn Allen	1949-1951
	6	Grandin	1940-1955
	7	Gobler	1951-1954
	8	Gordonville	1947-1949
	9	Graniteville	1941
	10	Grayridge	1944
	11	Gray Summit	1948-1949
	12	Greenville	1940
	13	Hallsville	1940-1941
	14	Hamilton	1935-1936
	15	Harrisburg	1940-1941
	16	Hartville	1957
	17	Hartsburg	1945-1946
	18	Hatton	1940-1941
	19	Hawk Point	1944-1946
	20	Herculaneum	1949
	21	Hermandale	1955
	22	High Hill	1948-1949
	23	Hillsboro	1936-1949
	24	Holcomb	1941-1956
	25	Holland	1940-1952
	26	Hopewell	1950
	27	Hornersville	1955-1957
	28	Houston	1937-1955
	29	Hunnewell	1936
	30	Hutton Valley	1937-1946
	31	Illmo	1947-1954
	32	Irondale	1941
	33	Iron Mountain	1941
	34	Ironton	1935-1941
	35	Jackson	1947-1950
	36	Jefferson City	1944-1946
	37	Jonesburg	1944-1949
	38	Kahoka	1936
	39	Kearney	1935
	40	Kennett	1938-1956
	41	Koshkonong	1937-1955
	42	Labadie	1949
	43	Laddonia	1939-1948
	44	Laflin	1948-1949
	45	La Forge	1941

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7		**Reports, Missouri (continued)**	
	1	La Grange	1936
	2	Lanton	1946
	3	Leadwood	1951
	4	Leasburg	1938
	5	Leeper	1940
	6	Leonard	1937
	7	Licking	1939-1955
	8	Lilbourn	1941-1953
	9	Linn	1947-1948
	10	Lithium	1951
	11	Lohman	1946-1947
	12	Longtown	1941
	13	Louisana	1950
	14	Marble Hill and Lutesville	1954
	15	Macon	1935-1937
	16	Malden	1940-1953
	17	Mansfield	1957
	18	Marceline	1936-1937
	19	Marston	1941-1951
	20	Marion	1945-1946
	21	Marthasville	1949-1950
	22	Mattese	1949
	23	Matson	1949
	24	McKittrick	1948-1949
	25	Meechem Park	1936
	26	Memfro	1940-1941
	27	Mesler	1948
	28	Millersburg	1949
	29	Minnith	1941
	30	Mokane	1946-1949
	31	Montgomery City	1949
	32	Montier	1937-1942
	33	Moody	1942
	34	Morley	1938
	35	Moscow Mills	1945-1946
	36	Moutain View	1937-1955
	37	Myrtle	1937-1957
	38	Naylor	1949-1954
	39	Neely’s Landing	1948-1950
	40	Neelyville	1949
	41	New Bloomfield	1944-1945
	42	New Cambria	1936-1937
	43	Newburg	1939
	44	New Madrid	1941-1953
	45	New Truxton	1947-1948

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7	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	46	Olden	1937
	47	Olney	1945-1946
	48	Oran	1937
	49	Orchard Farm	1948-1950
	50	Oregon	1936-1937
	51	Osage City	1945-1947
	52	Owensville	1938-1949
8	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	1	Oxly	1940-1952
	2	Ozark	1958
	3	Painton	1948-1950
	4	Parma	1942-1955
	5	Peace Valley	1937-1946
	6	Perkins	1947-1950
	7	Perkins Spring	1942
	8	Perryville	1941-1949
	9	Piedmont	1939-1940
	10	Plattsburg	1935-1936
	11	Pomona	1937-1956
	12	Popular Bluff	1938-1951
	13	Portageville	1942-1943
	14	Portage des Sioux	1949
	15	Portland	1948-1949
	16	Potosi	1936
	17	Pottersville	1946
	18	Qulin	1951
	19	Raymondsville	1937-1955
	20	Republic	1957
	21	Rhineland	1948
	22	Richland	1938-1939
	23	Richmond	1935-1936
	24	Risco	1942-1957
	25	Rivermines	1942
	26	Riverton	1943-1949
	27	Robertson (questions only)	n.d.
	28	Rockport	1937
	29	Rolla	1938
	30	Rosati	1953-1954
	31	Rover	1937-1939
	32	Russellville	1944-1945
	33	St. Louis	1957
	34	St. James	1940-1954
	35	St. Joseph	1936
	36	Salem	1938-1940

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8	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	37	Savannah	1936-1937
	38	Senath	1954-1956
	39	Seymour	1957
	40	Sikeston	1935-1938
	41	Silex	1944-1946
	42	Silver Lake	1940-1951
	43	Smithville	1935
	44	South Fork-Lanton	1946
	45	South Kinlock Park (questions only)	n.d.
	46	Station Outoga	1950
	47	Steele	1941-1957
	48	Steelville	1938
	49	Sturgeon	1939-1940
	50	Sullivan	1936
	51	Summersville	1937-1956
	52	Tarkio	1936-1937
	53	Tebbets	1947
	54	Thayer	1937-1955
9	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	1	Thomasville	1937-1955
	2	Trask	1937-1946
	3	Treloar	1948-1950
	4	Troy	1944-1945
	5	Truxton	1944-1946
	6	Uniontown	1941
	7	Valley Park	1936-1950
	8	Van Buren	1938-1943
	9	Vandalia	1939-1948
	10	Vanduser	1948-1950
	11	Wainwright	1945
	12	Wardell	1942-1957
	13	Warrenton	1944-1949
	14	Watson	1937
	15	Waynesville	1938-1939
	16	Weldon Springs	1949-1950
	17	West Alton	1949-1950
	18	White Church	1937
	19	Wentzville	1949
	20	Westboro	1937
	21	West Plains	1937-1949
	22	Whitewater	1948-1949
	23	Wilderness	1943
	24	Wilhelmina	1938-1939
	25	Williamsville	1940

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9	**Reports, Missouri (continued)**		
	26	Willow Springs	1937-1954
	27	Winfield	1946
	28	Winona	1937-1957
	29	Wright City	1948-1949
	30	Wyatt	1949
	31	Yount	1941
	32	Zalma	1949-1952
	33	Zion Hill	1953
	Reports, Alabama-Texas		
	34	Auburn, Alabama	1950-1951
	35	Dadeville, Alabama	1950-1951
	36	Lafayette, Alabama	1951
	37	Opelika, Alabama	1950-1951
	38	Phenix City, Alabama	1950-1951
	39	Roanoke, Alabama	1950-1951
	40	Tallasee, Alabama	1951
10	1	Colorado	1937-1951
	2	Illinois	1937-1938
	3	Iowa	1940
	4	Kansas	1938-1939
	5	Michigan	1940
	6	Minnesota	1940
	7	Nebraska	1937-1940
	8	Texas	1938
	Reports, End of the Summer		
	9-16	Motor Missions in Missouri (eight file folders)	1953-1964
	Reports, Statistical/Financial		
	17	Statistics	1934-1949
	18	Statistics	1936
	19	Annual Report/Financial	1937
	20	Annual Report/Financial	1938
	21	Statistical/Financial	1939
	22	Statistical/Financial	1940
	23	Statistical/Financial	1941
	24	Statistics	1942
	25	Statistics	1943
	26	Financial	1946
	27	Financial	1947
	28	Statistical/Financial	1948
	29	Statistical/Financial	1949
	30	Statistical/Financial	1950
	31	Statistical/Financial	1951
	32	Financial	1952

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11	**Summary Report Research Files**		
	1	Towns in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, MO	1956
	2	Towns in the Jefferson City, MO Diocese	1956
	3	Towns in the Kansas City – St. Joseph, MO Diocese	1956
	4	Towns in the Springfield-Cape Girardeau, MO Diocese	1956
	5	Towns in Missouri, “A”	c. 1956
	6	Towns in Missouri, “B”	c. 1956
	7	Towns in Missouri, “C”	c. 1956
	8	Towns in Missouri, “D”	c. 1956
	9	Towns in Missouri, “E-F”	c. 1956
	10	Towns in Missouri, “G”	c. 1956
	11	Towns in Missouri, “H”	c. 1956
	12	Towns in Missouri, “I-K”	c. 1956
	13	Towns in Missouri, “L”	c. 1956
	14	Towns in Missouri, “M”	c. 1956
	15	Towns in Missouri, “N”	c. 1956
	16	Towns in Missouri, “O”	c. 1956
	17	Towns in Missouri, “P-Q”	c. 1956
	18	Towns in Missouri, “R”	c. 1956
	19	Towns in Missouri, “S”	c. 1956
	20	Towns in Missouri, “T”	c. 1956
	21	Towns in Missouri, “U-V”	c. 1956
	22	Towns in Missouri, “W”	c. 1956
	23	Towns in Missouri, “Y-Z”	c. 1956
12	1	Towns and Personnel in Missouri	c. 1954
	2	Towns and Personnel in Missouri	1955-1962
	3	Towns and Personnel outside of Missouri	c. 1962
	4	Personnel in Missouri, “A-B”	c. 1962
	5	Personnel in Missouri, “C-D”	c. 1962
	6	Personnel in Missouri, “E-G”	c. 1962
	7	Personnel in Missouri, “H-K”	c. 1962
	8	Personnel in Missouri, “L-M”	c. 1962
	9	Personnel in Missouri, “N-Q”	c. 1962
	10	Personnel in Missouri, “R-S”	c. 1962
	11	Personnel in Missouri, “T-Z”	c. 1962
	12	Instructions and blank form	n.d.
13	**Correspondence**		
	1-14	Correspondence (fourteen file folders)	1935-1942
14	1-9	Correspondence (nine file folders)	1943-1949
15	1-12	Correspondence (twelve file folders)	1949-1952
16	1-10	Correspondence (ten file folders)	1953-1965

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16	11	Correspondence, Diocese of Springfield/Cape Girardeau	1951-1959
	12	Correspondence, St. Louis Chancery Office	1954-1959
17	**Director's Files**		
	1	Outlines of talks given by Rev. Joseph McIntyre, C.M.	c. 1936
	2	Notes: role of Motor Missions in Western Province	c. 1938
	3	Chapel in Piedmont, Missouri	1939-1941
	4	Archdiocesan Rural Life and Home Missions Conference, St. Louis	1940-1956
	5	Brochure, National Rural Life Conference and notes most likely maintained by Rev. Philip LeFevre, C.M.	1940
	6	Catechetical Congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine for the Province of St. Louis	1941
	7	Property in Montier, Missouri	1946-1948
	8	Outlines, notes, schedules file maintained by Rev. Oscar J. Miller, C.M.	1946-1957
	9	Fundraising	1947-1950
	10	Motor Mission Movies file maintained by Rev. Orlis F. North, C.M.	1947-1951
	11	Outdoor Apostolate, Correspondence	1949-1951
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	17	Census takers in Jonesburg	1953
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	19	Road maps, Missouri and Illinois	c. 1961
	20	Information on county and town fairs	c. 1963
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18	**Memorabilia**		
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	2	Membership Card, Motor Mission Auxiliary	1942
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