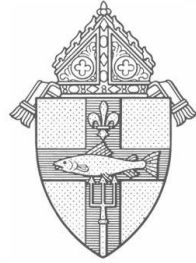


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Summary Information

Creator: Bruté, Bishop Simon

Title: Bishop Simon Bruté Papers

Date: 14 March 2017

Extent: 1.25 linear feet (3 Hollinger boxes)

Language: English, French, Latin

Access Restrictions: Collection is open to researches at the Archives of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Advance appointments are required for the use of archival materials.

Preferred citation: Published citations should take the following form: Identification of item, date (if known), Bishop Simon Bruté Papers, Collection 001: box number, folder number, Archives of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, The Catholic Center, Indianapolis.

Location of related materials: Three boxes of materials pertaining to Bruté's canonization cause are located in the records storage room. Five copies of the book *Simon Bruté De Remur, First Bishop of Vincennes*, by Sr. Mary Salesai Godecker, OSB, PhD, Ferdinand, Indiana, are located in the Archives reading room.

Biographical/Historical Note

The Right Reverend Simon Guillaume Gabriel Bruté de Rémur, First Bishop of Vincennes, was born in Rennes, France on March 20, 1779. He was ordained as a priest at Rennes, June 11, 1808. Bruté was consecrated Bishop of Vincennes in the cathedral at St. Louis, Missouri, on October 28, 1834, by Bishop Benedict Joseph Flaget of Bardstown, assisted by Bishop Joseph Rosati of St. Louis and Bishop John Baptist Purcell of Cincinnati. Bishop Bruté died at Vincennes on June 26, 1839. His body is interred in the Old Cathedral, Vincennes. His Cause of Canonization was opened by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein in the fall of 2005.

Scope & Content Note

This collection consists of materials regarding Simon Bruté, including those written by him, correspondence addressed to him, and content written about him. These documents provide historical, pictorial, and other information about the life of Simon Bruté and the history of the early Church in Indiana.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged by series, with the first series being formal church documents maintained by Bruté, the second being primarily correspondence, and then third containing some correspondence but also other resources referencing Bruté's life.

Administrative Information

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Processing Note: Materials were rehoused in acid-free boxes and folders; staples and other bindings were removed. In cases where original copies of materials were retained in addition to photocopies, the photocopies were placed into a folder, followed by the original document, contained in an archival envelope. Due to the age of this collection, it is necessary to protect fragile original documents.

Related Materials: A file cabinet containing documents related to the canonization process of Simon Bruté is located in the archdiocesan tribunal office.

The following books about the life of Simon Bruté are located in the archives reading room:

Bartelme, Elizabeth. *Simon Bruté and the Western Adventure*.

Bayley, James Roosevelt. *Frontier Bishop: The Life of Bishop Simon Bruté*. (2 copies)

Bayley, James Roosevelt. *Life of Bishop Bruté*.

Buechlein, Daniel M. *Reflections on the Life and Times of Simon Guillaume Gabriel Bruté de Remur, Pioneer Scholar-Bishop of Vincennes*. (2 copies)

Godecker, Sr. Mary Salesia, OSB. *Simon Bruté De Remur, First Bishop of Vincennes*. (5 copies)

Herbert, Mary Elizabeth, ed. *Life of Bishop Bruté*. (2 copies)

Maynard, Theodore. *The Reed and the Rock: Portrait of Simon Bruté*.

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Box Number	Folder Number	Description	Date
1	1	Decree Establishing Diocese of Vincennes, (typed copies—Latin and English)	1834
1	2	Liber Ordinationum (Ordination Book)	1834-1877
1	3	Epistolae, rescripta Decisiones ae Decreta Sacrae Congregationis de Propaganda Fide ad Episcopos Vincennopolitanos, (book)	1834-1868
1	4	Liber Facultatum a Sancta Sede (book)	1834-1874
1	5	Liber Litterarum a Sede Apostolica (book)	1834-1688
2	1	Deed concerning transfer of property	1839
2	2	Bruté Photographs and Negatives	
2	3	Newspaper Articles on 200 th Anniversary of Birth of Bruté, 6-24-1979; Letter of Bruté to the Leopoldine Society (typed); Record of Bruté's citizenship hearing photocopied) (photocopied)	Various
2	4	List of Priests who came with Bruté (originals and typed copy)	1836
2	5	Notes by Fr. Petit about Indiana History; Sermon Notes, (originals and copy)	1837
2	6	Financial Account of work with Indians – Br. Petit (originals and handwritten copy)	1837-1838
2	7	Letters (4) from Petit to Gen. John Tipton and from Tipton to Bureau of Indian Affairs to Bruté (originals)	1838-1839
2	8	Letters from Angelique Compeau to Bishop Bruté, (originals-2; and handwritten copy)	1837
2	9	Letters from B. Petit to Bishop Bruté (originals (14) in French, handwritten copies) Letters to Bishop Bruté from Chauvin de Petit (originals (3) in French, handwritten copies)	1836-1839
2	10	Letters to Bishop Bruté from Paul Petit (originals in French (3), handwritten copies)	1836 & 1839
2	11	Letters to Bishop Bruté from other correspondents (originals in French (5), handwritten copies,	1838-1839
2	12	Letters to Msgr. de la Hailandiere from B. Petit,	1838

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		original in French (1)	
2	13	Letter to Msgr. Benoit from Antonius-Jacobus (?) (original in French (1),	1836
2	13	Bruté Notes by Rev. Robert Gorman; Booklet by Rt. Rev. George D. Mulcahy,	1966
2	15	Bruté Notes by Rev. Robert Gorman	1966
2	16	Bruté Writings—Research by Rev. Robert Gorman	1966
2	17	Bruté Ordinations; Status of Diocese of Vincennes, Rev Robert Gorman Notes	1835-1837, 1839
3	1	Bishop Bruté to Bishop Fenwick, 6 Letters (photocopied)	1833-1839
3	2	Photocopies from Notre Dame—Bruté Material	
3	3	Photocopies from Sulpician Archives—Bruté Material	
3	4	Photocopies: Letter, Bruté to Fr. Kundek,	183?
3	5	Letters of Bruté to the Catholic Telegraph, typed copies	1834-35
3	6	Letters to Bruté, typed copies	1834
3	7	“Discourse on the Right Reverend Simon Gabriel Bruté, DD, Bishop of Vincennes, Mt. St. Mary’s Church, , by Reverend John McCaffrey	1839
3	8	Bruté’s History of Vincennes	1839
3	10	Information on Bishop Flaget of Louisville, who consecrated Bruté	
3	11	Microfilm Reel One: (poor condition), Badin to Bruté; Bruté Administrative and Personal; Hailandiere; Bazin; Names of French Families—Vincennes; Prospectus—St. Gabriel, Vincennes; St. Palais; Fr. Corbe as V.G.; Chatard	1848
3	12	Microfilm Reel Two: Archives de Eudistes—French Correspondence	