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The following is the finding aid for the St. Joseph Debating and Literary Society collection located at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Archives. A finding aid is a catalog tool used in archives that briefly describes the material found in a collection. These records are not available digitally unless otherwise noted. [Researchers must make an appointment with an archivist to view the material.](#)

**St. Joseph Debating and Literary Society (St. Francis Seminary)
Minute books, 1873-1877
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Access

Open/unrestricted.

Volume

0.2 cubic feet.

Historical Note

The St. Joseph Debating and Literary Society came into existence in November 1873. Membership in this society was restricted to St. Francis Seminary students of rhetoric, philosophy, and theology.

Scope and Content

Two bound volumes of minutes. The constitution, by-laws, and list of members of this St. Francis Seminary student organization are found within the first volume.

Box and Folder List *This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders have been arranged alphabetically. "B" is an abbreviation for box and "F" is an abbreviation for folder. This list will help the researcher narrow down exactly what folder they want to look at.*

| Box | Folder | Folder Title |
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| B 1 | F 1 | Minutes, 1873-1875 |
| B 1 | F 2 | Minutes, 1875-1877 |