



*The following is the finding aid for the St. Casimir Parish, Kenosha 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.*

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**St. Casimir Congregation (Kenosha, Wis.)  
Records, 1901-2000  
MC 122**

**Volume**

13.7 cubic feet

**Access**

Open/Unrestricted except for financial records, Parish Council meeting minutes, St. Vincent de Paul meeting minutes, census records, employee records, student transcripts and marriage case files.

**Historical Note**

St. Casimir parish was founded by Polish Catholics on November 9, 1902 and the first priest to serve there was Rev. Casimir Ambrozajtys. A school, initially administrated by the Sisters of Notre Dame, was open from 1909-1992. The convent closed soon after the school, in 1994. In 2000, St. Casimir merged with St. George to form St. Elizabeth.

**Scope and Content** *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*

This collection is divided into eight series: Administrative, Buildings, Bulletins, Financial, Historical, Organizations, School, and Marriage Case Files.

The Administrative Series includes Status Animarum, Annual parish meeting minutes, and correspondence. The Bulletins Series includes bound volumes of bulletins dating from 1984-1998. There are also loose copies of bulletins spanning from 1969-1999. The Financial Series includes annual parish reports, some of which are in Polish. The Historical Series includes records related to anniversary celebrations and festivals, parish-related newspaper clippings, historical information, and several photographs. The Organizational Series contains records created by the Board of Directors, Parish Council, Proto Club, "Wlanosc Towarzystwa Serca Mary," "Towarzystwa Mlodziezy Imienia Jezus," Chorus of St. Cecilia Society, the Polish Catholic Union of America, and the Merger Steering Committee. Most of the records consist of meeting minutes, but there is also correspondence and agendas included. Many of the older records are in Polish. The merger Steering Committee was formed in 1997 to help guide the process of merging with another Catholic parish in Kenosha, St. George. The School Series consists of 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary materials, school-related newspaper clippings, Home & School Association meeting minutes, reports, handbooks, newsletter, and correspondence related to the closing of the school in 1992. Administrative and historical records from St. Joseph Inter-Parish Jr. High are also included in this collection.

**Provenance**

This collection was donated to the archives by Fr. Roman Stikel from St. Elizabeth Church, Kenosha on February 23, 2000. Boxes 14-21 were donated to the archives by Fr. Sean Granger from St. Elizabeth

**Box and Folder List** *This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders are listed alphabetically by series. “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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| <i>Series 1: Administrative Records</i> |         |                                                                            |
| B 1                                     | F 1     | Annual parish meeting minutes, in Polish, 1935-1950                        |
| B 3                                     | F 1     | Census Information, 1986-1989 (restricted)                                 |
| B 3                                     | F 2-8   | Census Records, 1977-1988 (restricted)                                     |
| B 3                                     | F 1-7   | Census Records, 1988-1997 (restricted)                                     |
| B 1                                     | F 2     | Certificates/decrees, some in Latin, 1933-1986                             |
| B 4                                     | F 8     | Correspondence with Archdiocese, 1957-1995 (restricted)                    |
| B 5                                     | F 8     | Deed and Canonical Consent, 1912-1933                                      |
| B 5                                     | F 9     | Deeded property from city, 1996-1997                                       |
| B 1                                     | F 3     | Franciscan Fathers/ Masses sent away, 1992-1998                            |
| B 1                                     | F 4     | Franciscan Order of the Sorrowful Mother, 1996-1999                        |
| B 1                                     | F 5     | Honor Roll names [n.d.]                                                    |
| B 1                                     | F 6     | Job Descriptions, 1994, [n.d.]                                             |
| B 1                                     | F 7     | Lectors, February 11, 1996                                                 |
| B 5                                     | F 25    | Mortgage documents/property assessments, 1947-1997 (restricted)            |
| B 4                                     | F 9     | Parish Internal Control questionnaire, 1993-1999 (restricted)              |
| B 1                                     | F 8     | Portrait of Christ for Newlyweds, August-November 1957                     |
| B 2                                     | F 1-3   | Status Animarum (parish annual report), 1929-1999                          |
| B 1                                     | F 9     | Thanksgiving Clothing Appeal, 1973-1974                                    |
| <i>Series 2: Building Records</i>       |         |                                                                            |
| B 5                                     | F 6     | Church decorations, June-September 1965                                    |
| B 5                                     | F 7     | Church Renovations, 1993-1997                                              |
| B 5                                     | F 11    | Facility study, for the church office and auditorium, 1994-1997            |
| B 5                                     | F 20-23 | Major Building Expenses, 1955-1997 (restricted)                            |
| B 5                                     | F 29-30 | Rectory Building Projects, 1958-1970                                       |
| B 5                                     | F 31    | Restoration and renovation fund donors, June 1995-August 1995 (restricted) |
| <i>Series 3: Bulletins</i>              |         |                                                                            |
| B 6                                     | F 1-7   | Bulletins, 1969-1976                                                       |
| B 7                                     | F 1-15  | Bulletins, 1977-1999                                                       |
| B 6                                     |         | Bulletins, (bound) 1984-1998                                               |
| <i>Series 4: Financial Records</i>      |         |                                                                            |
| B 5                                     | F 1     | Annual budgets, 1998-2000 (restricted)                                     |
| B 5                                     | F 2-5   | Bequests, 1966-1999                                                        |
| B 5                                     | F 10    | Donor lists, January 1993 (restricted)                                     |
| B 5                                     | F 13-14 | Financial reports, 1960-1991 (restricted)                                  |
| B 5                                     | F 15-16 | Financial statements, 1990-1999 (restricted)                               |
| B 5                                     | F 17    | Funerals, unpaid, 1994-1996 (restricted)                                   |
| B 5                                     | F 18    | Insurance, 1985 (restricted)                                               |
| B 5                                     | F 19    | Interest earnings statements, 1997-1998 (restricted)                       |
| B 5                                     | F 24    | Mortgage, Catholic Knights, 1957-1958 (restricted)                         |
| B 7                                     | F 20-22 | Parish annual reports, partially in Polish, 1931-1960                      |
| B 5                                     | F 26-27 | Pension Plan, 1984-1999 (restricted)                                       |

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| B 5                                          | F 28          | Real Estate records, 1981-1987 (restricted)                                        |
| B 5                                          | F 32          | Tax exempt certificates, February 1962                                             |
| B 5                                          | F 33          | Tax exemption reports, 1985-1998                                                   |
| <i>Series 5: Historical Records</i>          |               |                                                                                    |
| B 7                                          | F 16          | Closing of convent, 1994                                                           |
| B 7                                          | F 17          | Jubilee celebration, correspondence/invites/clippings, November 1977               |
| B 7                                          | F 18          | Map of Kenosha, 1957                                                               |
| B 7                                          | F 19          | Newspaper clippings, parish-related, 1912-1999                                     |
| B 7                                          | F 23-24       | Parish celebrations, 1952-1999                                                     |
| B 7                                          | F 25-26       | Parish festival, April-October 1999                                                |
| B 7                                          | F 27          | Parish history, 1902-1977                                                          |
| B 7                                          | F 28-30       | Photographs, 1902-1993                                                             |
| B 7                                          | F 31          | Photographs, 75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, 1977                        |
| B 7                                          | F 32          | Photographs, Diamond Jubilee mass and reception, 1977                              |
| B 7                                          | F 33          | Photographs, summer festival/parish buildings/committee members, 1977              |
| B 7                                          | F 34          | Polish Day Celebration, partially in Polish, 1935                                  |
| <i>Series 6: Parish Organization Records</i> |               |                                                                                    |
| B 8                                          |               | Board of Directors meeting minutes, in Polish, 1901-1924                           |
| B 8                                          | F 15          | Merger Steering Committee, correspondence, 1997-1999                               |
| B 8                                          | F 16          | Merger Steering Committee, implementation plans, 1997-1999                         |
| B 8                                          | F 17          | Merger Steering Committee, meeting agendas and minutes, 1998-1999                  |
| B 8                                          | F 18          | Merger Steering Committee, parish profiles, 1997-1998                              |
| B 8                                          | F 20          | Parish Council Constitution and by-laws, 1990                                      |
| B 9                                          | F 1-2         | Parish Council meeting minutes, 1988-1993 (restricted)                             |
| B 10                                         |               | Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, financial records, 1900-1925               |
|                                              |               | Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, financial records, 1921-1938               |
| B 14                                         |               | Polish Roman Catholic Union of American, meeting minutes, in Polish 1899-1952      |
| B 15                                         |               | Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, membership ledger                          |
| B 8                                          |               | Proto Club meeting minutes, 1947-1950                                              |
| B 9                                          | F 3-6         | St. Vincent de Paul minute books, 1963-1980 (restricted)                           |
| B 15                                         |               | "Towarzystwa Choru Sw. Cecylii" meeting minutes, in Polish, 1907-1911              |
| B 15                                         |               | "Towarzystwa Mlodziezy Imienia Jezus," 40 <sup>th</sup> anniversary program, 1950  |
| B 15                                         |               | "Towarzystwa Mlodziezy Imienia Jezus," meeting minutes, in Polish, 1909-1928       |
| B 15                                         |               | "Towarzystwa Mlodziezy Imienia Jezus," member lists and contributions, 1908-1909   |
| B 8                                          |               | "Wlasnosc Towarzystwa Serca Mary, Grupa 114" meeting minutes, in Polish, 1915-1974 |
| <i>Series 7: School Records</i>              |               |                                                                                    |
| B 10                                         | F 1           | 75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration financial report [April 1986]             |
| B 8                                          | F 1           | 75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary scrapbook, April 1986                                 |
| B 8                                          | F 2-3         | AHERA, asbestos information, 1982-1988                                             |
| B 16                                         | F 1           | Archdiocesan curriculum information reports, 1986-1996                             |
| B 8                                          | F 4           | Archdiocesan school accreditation, 1988-1993                                       |
| B 8                                          | F 5-8         | Archdiocese Department of Education, Policies and Regulations binder, 1975         |
| B 8                                          | F 9           | Archdiocese Reference Book for Local School Board/Education Committees, 1980       |
| B 8                                          | F 10          | Asbestos abatement, 1988-1994                                                      |
| B 8                                          | F 11          | Catholic Elementary Schools strategic plan, July 28, 1998                          |
| B 8                                          | F 12          | Celebrations, 1938-1986                                                            |

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| B 8                                            | F 13          | Correspondence, June 12, 1986                                             |
| B 16                                           | F 2           | Eisenhower Math & Science Education Grant award, 1992-1994                |
| B 10                                           | F 2-55        | Employee Records, 1985-1999 (restricted)                                  |
| B 21                                           |               | Employee Records (restricted)                                             |
| B 16                                           | F 3           | Faculty meeting minutes, 1992-1995                                        |
| B 10                                           | F 56          | Financial Records, 1950-1957 (restricted)                                 |
| B 10                                           | F 57          | Grade Book, 1920-1922 (restricted)                                        |
| B 16                                           | F 4           | Graduation lists, 1969-1988                                               |
| B 16                                           | F 5           | Home and School Association by-laws, 1980s                                |
| B 16                                           | F 6           | Home and School Association correspondence, 1960-1965                     |
| B 16                                           |               | Home and School Association meeting minutes, 1950-1987                    |
| B 8                                            |               | Home and School Association meeting minutes, 1965-1976                    |
| B 17                                           | F 1           | Home and School Association meeting minutes, 1989-1996                    |
| B 17                                           | F 2-3         | Kenosha Area School Collaboration Task Force, 1986-1987                   |
| B 17                                           | F 4           | Kenosha Catholic School family profile report, 1993                       |
| B 17                                           | F 5           | Kenosha parish attitude survey report, March 18, 1993                     |
| B 17                                           | F 6           | Kenosha Principals meeting minutes, 1993-1995                             |
| B 17                                           | F 7           | National Catholic Education Association, certificates, 1987, 1989         |
| B 17                                           | F 8           | National Catholic Education Association, standard survey forms, 1983-1995 |
| B 8                                            | F 19          | Newspaper clippings, school-related, 1912-1999                            |
| B 17                                           | F 9           | School budgets, 1990-1996 (restricted)                                    |
| B 17                                           | F 10          | School class lists, 1963-1965, 1988-1995                                  |
| B 8                                            | F 21          | School closing, correspondence, memorandums, 1991-1992                    |
| B 17                                           | F 11          | School family lists, 1989-1995                                            |
| B 17                                           | F 12-13       | School handbooks, 1986-1995                                               |
| B 18                                           | F 1-2         | School letters to parents, 1991-1995                                      |
| B 18                                           | F 3           | School newsletters, 1991, 1994                                            |
| B 18                                           | F 4           | School planning and accreditation, school improvement plan, 1992          |
| B 18                                           | F 5           | School staff directory, 1989-1994                                         |
| B 18                                           | F 6           | School tuition schedules, 1987-1994                                       |
| B 20                                           |               | Student transcripts (restricted)                                          |
| B 18                                           |               | VHS - St. Casimir's Catholic School, n.d.                                 |
| B 18                                           | F 7           | Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, annual report, 1965-1995      |
| B 18                                           | F 8           | Wisconsin Non-Public School Accrediting Association, 1993-1994            |
| <i>St. Joseph Inter-Parish Jr. High School</i> |               |                                                                           |
| B 18                                           | F 9           | Board meetings, 1988-1989, 1993-1994                                      |
| B 18                                           | F 10          | Class lists, 1988-1989                                                    |
| B 18                                           | F 11          | Class photographs, 1988-1989                                              |
| B 18                                           | F 12          | Faculty meeting minutes, 1988-1989                                        |
| B 18                                           | F 13          | Graduation programs, 1988-1989                                            |
| B 18                                           | F 14          | Handbooks, 1987-1989                                                      |
| B 19                                           | F 1           | Legal records, 1988                                                       |
| B 19                                           | F 2           | Parent evaluations, 1987                                                  |
| B 19                                           | F 3           | Parent letters, 1987-1989                                                 |
| B 19                                           | F 4           | Planning, 1988                                                            |
| B 19                                           | F 5           | St. Peter School withdrawal, 1988                                         |
| B 19                                           | F 6           | Yearbooks, 1988-1989                                                      |