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Summary Information

Title: The 1979 Pope John Paul II Visit Collection

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Location of Related Materials: Additional 1979 Papal visit material can be found in the Liturgical Commission Files (Box F-46).

Biographical/Historical Note

On October 2, 1979, Pope John Paul II arrived at LaGuardia Airport after his trip to Boston. The Pope would spend the next two days traveling throughout New York City, and greeting as many people as possible. Pope John Paul II's visit would be the second time a pope visited the United States of America, the first being Paul VI in 1965. During the first day of his visit, Pope John Paul II addressed the General Assembly at the United Nations for an hour, spent time at the Cardinal's residence at St. Patrick's Cathedral, visited St. Charles Borromeo Church in Harlem, drove past the South Bronx Housing Projects, and finally said mass for 70,000 people at Yankee Stadium. Pope John Paul II began his day on October 3, 1979 with a prayer service at St. Patrick's Cathedral. From there he went to Madison Square Garden for a "Youth in Concert" gathering, in which he spent time with over 20,000 young people from the tri-state area. Afterwards he travelled to Battery Park and addressed New York and the Nation, and ended his trip with a mass at Shea Stadium. That evening he departed from LaGuardia Airport to Philadelphia, the next stop along his American journey.

Scope & Content Note

The materials in this collection date to the time before, during, and after the October 1979 Pope John Paul II visit to New York. Most of the materials deal with the preliminary planning stages of the events that occurred during the pope's visit. Schedules, memorandums, and security information are contained in this collection. Additionally there is correspondence and other files that relate to the specific event sites, such as Yankee Stadium, Battery Park, Shea Stadium, and Madison Square Garden. Ephemera such as programs and tickets and publications such as newspaper clippings and commemorative books can also be found in the collection.

Arrangement

Series I: Visit Planning and Documentation

Series II: Publications and Ephemera

Series III: Blueprints

Administrative Information

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Processing Note: Original folder titles were kept, if available, during processing. There was no original order; however the files could be easily identified as either planning materials, or ephemera and publications. Therefore, these became the series during arrangement.

Related Materials: Additional 1979 Papal visit material can be found in the Liturgical Commission Files. *The Catholic News* newspapers from 1979 are also useful for research on the 1979 Papal Visit.

Separated Materials: Blueprints were placed in a flat file drawer.

Collection

Series I: Visit Planning and Documentation

Box Number	Folder Number	Description	Date
1	1	Ecumenical	1979
1	2	Entertainment	1979
1	3	Gifts	1979
1	4	Bishops and Guests	1979
1	5	Yankee Stadium	1979
1	6	Papal Party	1979
1	7	St. Patrick Oct. 2	1979
1	8	St. Patrick Oct. 3	1979
1	9	Preliminaries	1979
1	10	Committees	1979
1	11	Shea Stadium	1979
1	12	Security	1979
1	13	Battery Park	1979
1	14	Sites	1979
1	15	Tickets	1979
1	16	Liturgy	1979

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1	17	Motorcade	1979
1	18	Spiritual Preparation	1979
1	19	Papal Visit, JPM's Folder [Monsignor Joseph P. Murphy]	1979
1	20	Memorandums	1979
1	22	Correspondence (2)	1979
1	23	Communications (1)	1979
1	24	Communications (2)	1979
1	26	Papal Visit Expenses A thru C (1)	1979
1	27	Papal Visit Expenses A thru C (2)	1979
1	28	Papal Visit Expenses D thru L (1)	1979
1	29	Papal Visit Expenses D thru L (2)	1979
2	2	Contributions Pastoral Pope John Paul II Visit	1979
2	4	Papal Visit-Parishes, Oct. 1979 (2)	1979
2	5	Papal Visit- Parishes, Nov. 1979	1979
2	6	Motorcade: Highway Patrol	1979
2	7	Press information	1979
2	8	Madison Square Garden	1979
2	9	Press Packet	1979
2	10	Papal Visit Schedules	1979
2	11	Security	1979

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2	12	Background Material and Schedules	1979
2	13	Press Access Information	1979
2	25	Invitations to attend the Papal Masses	1979
2	26	Lists of People	1979
2	27	Papal Visit- General Files	1979
2	28	Papal Visit- Budgets and Invoices	1979
1	21	Correspondence (1)	1979
1	25	Papal Visit Financial Reports	1979
1	30	Papal Visit Expenses M thru R	1979
2	1	Papal Visit Expenses S thru Z	1979
2	3	Papal Visit- Parishes, Oct. 1979 (1)	1979
2	22	Guests Attending the Different Events of the Papal Visit	1979

Series I: Publications and Ephemera

2	14	Tickets from Battery Park	1979
2	15	Event Program: St. Patrick's Cathedral	1979
2	16	Pope John Paul II's Address to the United Nations	1979
2	17	Copy of John Paul II's Address to University Students	1979
2	18	Newspaper Clippings	1979
2	19	<i>Youth in Concert with Pope John Paul II</i> [book]	1979

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2	20	<i>The Pope in America: A Pictorial Record</i> [book]	1979
2	21	Newsweek Magazine: The Pope's Historic Visit	8-Oct-79
2	23	Program from the Yankee Stadium Mass	1979
2	24	Program from Visit to America	1979
2	29	The Catholic News Papal Visit Edition	1979
3	1	Papal Sacramentary from Yankee Stadium	1979
4	1	Scrapbook- NY Times Articles	1979
4	2	Scrapbook- NY Times Articles	1979
4	3	Scrapbook- Daily News Articles	1979
4	4	Scrapbook- Daily News Articles	1979
5		Newspapers	1979
2	31	Program: Madison Square Garden	1979
2	32	Pope John Paul II U.S. Pictorial Postmark Cover Collection	1979

Series III: Blueprints

The blueprints found in this collection are drawings for the masses at Yankee Stadium, and Shea Stadium. There are also blueprints for the gathering at Battery Park. They are located in oversized cabinet 1, drawer 9.