

# **Bishop Joseph Francis papers**

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## Summary Information

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| <b>Repository</b> | Rare Books and Manuscripts        |
| <b>Creator</b>    | Francis, Joseph, 1862-1939        |
| <b>Title</b>      | Bishop Joseph Francis papers      |
| <b>Date</b>       | 1817-1950, undated                |
| <b>Extent</b>     | 1.3 Cubic feet 4 manuscript boxes |
| <b>Language</b>   | English                           |

### Preferred Citation

Bishop Joseph Francis papers, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## Biographical Note

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Joseph Marshall Francis was born in Eaglesmere, Pennsylvania on April 6, 1862 to James Booth and Charlotte Augusta Marshall Francis. He was the youngest of four children. His mother was a descendant of Chief Justice John Marshall. Joseph received his education from the Episcopal Academy in Pennsylvania, his B.A. from Racine College in Wisconsin, his B. Div. from Nashotah House and did graduate work at Oxford University in 1885. He received honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees from Nashotah House in 1899 and Hobart College in 1901.

He married Kate Stevens on June 14, 1887. They had no children.

He was ordained a deacon in 1884 and ordained in 1886. He served parishes in Wisconsin from 1884-1887, was a missionary in Japan from 1887-1897 and was rector of Saint Paul's Church in Evansville, Indiana in 1898. He was consecrated as the sixth bishop of the (Episcopalian) Diocese of Indianapolis, Indiana, serving from 1899-1939. Bishop Francis served as chaplain of Base Hospital #32 in France from 1917-1918. He died in Indianapolis on February 13, 1939 and is buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Information found within the collection.

"Francis, Joseph Marshall". Find a Grave Index, 1600s-Current. Retrieved 2016/06/24. <http://www.findagrave.com>

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes letters from various people to Harriet Louise Hooker in Indianapolis, Indiana; autographed and typed sermons; autographed journals and diaries; photographs; publications of various Episcopalian churches and dioceses; newspaper articles; a guestbook and a scrapbook; a genealogy and biographies; tributes; and speeches ranging from 1817-1950 regarding foreign travels, service in World War I, sermons, career, family life, history of Episcopalian church in Indianapolis and miscellaneous.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged by subject.

## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

### Conditions Governing Use

Legal title, copyright, and literary rights reside with Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN. All requests to publish or quote from manuscripts must be submitted to Rare Books and Manuscripts.

### Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation from Alice Hooker Russell on 1977/10/12.

### Accruals

No further additions are expected.

### Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2016/06/24 by Edythe Huffman. EAD finding aid created 2016/06/24 by Edythe Huffman.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Geographic Name(s)

- Europe--Description and travel--20th century
- Indianapolis (Ind.)

**Personal Name(s)**

- Hooker, Harriet Louis

**Subject(s)**

- Indiana--Episcopal churches
- World War, 1914-1918

## Collection Inventory

|  | <b>Box</b> | <b>Folder</b> |
|--|------------|---------------|
| Diary, 1917-1918   | 1          | 1             |
| Mediterranean trip diary, 1927                                 | 1          | 2             |
| Mediterranean trip photographs, 1927                           | 1          | 3             |
| Diary, 1928 Oct.   | 1          | 4             |
| Panama trip documents, 1935                                    | 1          | 5             |
| Sermons notebook, 1937   | 1          | 6             |
| Sermons notebook, undated                                      | 1          | 7             |
| Trinity sermons notebook, undated                              | 2          | 1             |
| Conference in London journal, undated                          | 2          | 2             |
| Citizen's Historical Association genealogy and biography, 1933 | 2          | 3             |
| Written papers, circa 1936-1937, undated                       | 2          | 4             |
| Death notices and newspaper clippings, 1936-1939               | 2          | 5             |

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| Miscellaneous items and papers, 1817-1950, undated           | 2          | 6             |
| Kate S. Francis will, 1926                                   | 2          | 7             |
| Pratt, Sara S. "Episcopal Bishops of Indiana" document, 1934 | 2          | 8             |
| Harriet Louise Hooker papers, 1939-1949                      | 2          | 9             |
| All Saints Cathedral documents, 1941                         | 2          | 10            |
| Photographs, undated   | 2          | 11            |
| Oil portrait, undated  | 3          | 1             |
|  | <b>Box</b> | <b>Volume</b> |
| Sermons notebook, 1906-1916                                  | 4          | 1             |
| Guestbook, 1899-1928   | 4          | 2             |
| European tours photograph album 1886                         | 4          | 3             |
| Scrapbook, 1885-1899   | 4          | 4             |