

Jean Dolores Schmidt, B.V.M.
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Biographical Sketch

Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt, BVM, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmidt, was born on August 21, 1919 in San Francisco, California. She joined the religious order of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1937. Sister Jean Dolores earned her B.A. at Mt. St. Mary College in Los Angeles in 1949 and her M.A. at Loyola University, Los Angeles, in 1961. After several years as a teacher at elementary schools, including St. Vincent in Chicago, St. Bernard in Los Angeles, St. Charles in North Hollywood, and as principal at St. Brendan in Los Angeles, she accepted a position at Mundelein College teaching in the Education Department. She also worked tirelessly in the role of Assistant Director of the BVM Scholasticate. Working in dual and sometimes triple roles was common for Sr. Jean Dolores Schmidt. In her long career at Mundelein she, at various times, wore the hats of Assistant Direct of the BVM Scholasticate, Assistant Dean, Director of the Summer Sessions, Associate Dean, Acting Dean, Director of Coffey Hall, Director of Academic Services, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, Director of the Weekend College, and Director of Academic Advising. She remained on staff with Loyola University Chicago after the affiliation with Mundelein in 1991 as Assistant Dean and Director of the TAF Program. In 1994, began serving as chaplain to Loyola's athletic teams, including the men's basketball team. She gained national attention in 2018 during the men's basketball team's successful run in the NCAA March Madness tournament. The Ramblers made it to the Final Four and Sister Jean was featured frequently during the televised games as she supported the team.

Scope and Content

This collection spans the years 1960 to 2006 and includes three series: Personal Papers, Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony Papers, and Audiovisual Materials. The bulk of the papers relate to the

professional advancement of Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony from priest to archbishop to cardinal. Other papers in the collection relate to Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt's personal career at Mundelein College and also to jubilees and memorial services for fellow Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary nuns.

Series 1: Personal Papers, 1960-1991 Box 1

This series contains correspondence, a project done by Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt for her Master's degree, program booklets, and two articles from North Shore Magazine.

Series 2: Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony, 1985-2006, Box 1

This series contains correspondence from Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony, two articles about Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony, and an invitation to and the program for the installation of Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony as archbishop of Los Angeles.

Series 3: Audiovisual Materials, 1991, undated, Box 1

This series contains photographs of Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt, Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony, and members of Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony's family, and a video cassette tape of Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony's elevation to cardinal ceremony. For oral histories with Sister Jean, see the archivist and the Mundelein College Oral History Project Records.

Subjects:

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Mundelein College
Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony
Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt

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Series 1: Personal Papers			
1	1	General Correspondence	1985-1991, undated
	2	Jubilee Programs	1979-1987
	3	Master's Degree Project	1960
	4	Memorial Programs	1984-1990
	5	Mundelein College Event Programs	1972, 1975, 1981
	6	North Shore Magazine Articles	1985
Series 2: Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony Papers			
1	7	Articles About Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony	1985, 1992
	8	Correspondence from Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony	1985-2006, undated
	9	Installation as Archbishop of Los Angeles	1985
Series 3: Audio Visual Materials			
1	10	Photographs	undated
	11	Video Cassette of Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony's Elevation to Cardinal	1991