



## Catholic Research Resources Alliance

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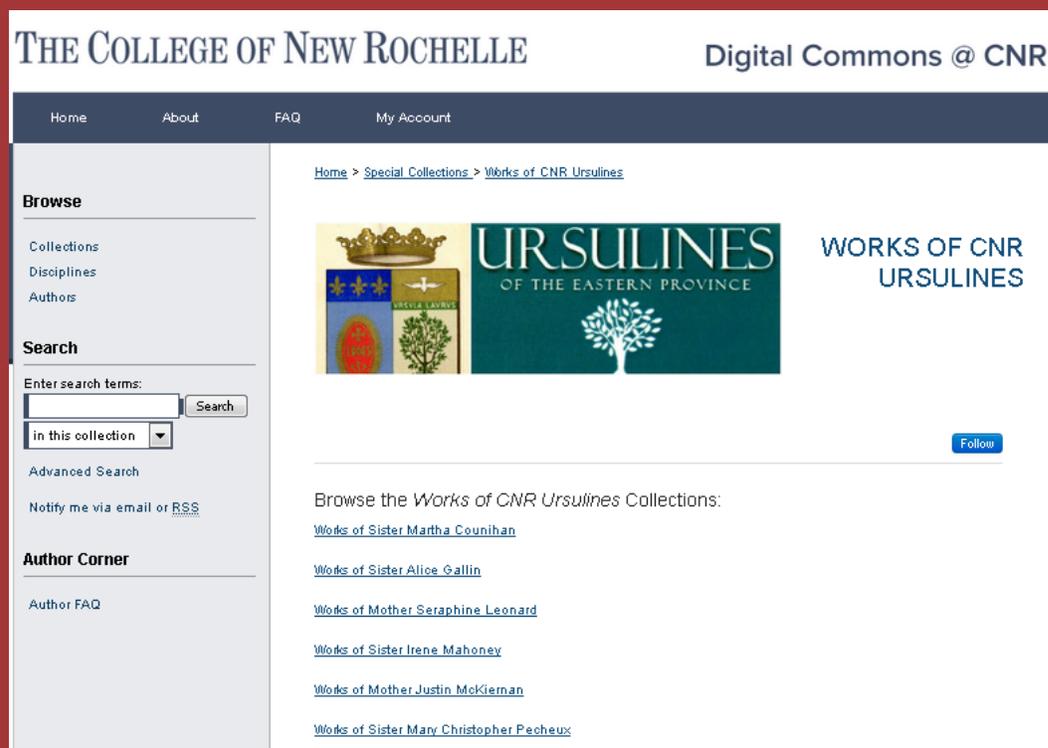
## CRRA Annual Meeting - Mark the Date!

Plan now to join colleagues for breakfast and discussions of libraries, archives, and CRRA initiatives at the CRRA Annual Meeting, Tuesday morning, June 27, 2017. The meeting will be held in Chicago (at the end of the ALA Annual Conference) at a downtown location TBD. Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm Central Time.

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# Feature Article

## College of New Rochelle: *Works of CNR Ursulines* Collection



The screenshot shows the website for 'THE COLLEGE OF NEW ROCHELLE Digital Commons @ CNR'. The navigation bar includes 'Home', 'About', 'FAQ', and 'My Account'. The main content area is titled 'Works of CNR Ursulines' and features a banner with the Ursuline logo and the text 'WORKS OF CNR URSULINES'. Below the banner, there is a 'Follow' button and a list of sub-collections: 'Works of Sister Martha Counihan', 'Works of Sister Alice Gallin', 'Works of Mother Seraphine Leonard', 'Works of Sister Irene Mahoney', 'Works of Mother Justin McKiernan', and 'Works of Sister Mary Christopher Pecheux'. The left sidebar contains 'Browse' (Collections, Disciplines, Authors), 'Search' (with a search box and 'in this collection' dropdown), 'Advanced Search', 'Notify me via email or RSS', and 'Author Corner' (with an 'Author FAQ' link).

The College of New Rochelle was founded by Mother Irene Gill in 1904 with the aim to educate women at a time when higher education for women was a rarity. The principle of the Ursuline sisters and their foundress, Saint Angela Merici, the commitment to serve, was instituted in all aspects of the CNR education.

With the guidance of our archivist, Sister Martha Counihan O.S.U. (CNR 67), our digital specialist, Alex Fernandes Hall and I were able to carve out a special collection in our institutional repository, DigitalCommons@CNR. This [collection](#) is an attempt to honor and preserve the Ursuline tradition of education and service at CNR.

All except Mother Seraphine Leonard were CNR graduates. A well-educated woman, Mother Seraphine was among the first Ursulines to come to New Rochelle in the late 19th century. She wrote a number of plays for use in girls' schools.

Sr. Mary Alice Gallin '42 has a PhD (CUA) in history and taught history at CNR. She was the Dean of Students before spending many years as Chair of the College and University section of the Catholic Educational Association. Her publications are a major source of information about the history of Catholic higher education in the US in the 20th Century. Her personal papers in the CNR Archives are a valuable asset to scholars.

Sr. Mary Christopher Pecheux '37 (CUA) had a PhD in English and taught English at CNR for many years. She was a well-known scholar of John Milton and has written much on Milton.

Sr. Justin McKiernan '31 had a MA in Art History (CUA), studied at Pratt Institute and also in Florence, Italy. She taught Art, Art History and later became director of the Master's program in Art. She was a gifted artist and writer as is evidenced by her works in the repository.

Sister Irene (Mary Denis) Mahoney '41 had a PhD (CUA) in English and taught writing at CNR for many years. She was the author of 13 books, some tracing the history of different Ursuline missions, some historical fiction, and some about notable Ursulines.

Sr. Mary Virginia Orna (a graduate of St. Joseph's College, Chestnut Hill, PA) has a PhD (Fordham) in chemistry, a subject she had taught at CNR for many years. She has authored many books and has special expertise in the chemistry of color. Her works are downloaded from locations all around the world.

Sister Martha Counihan '67 has a MA in Art History (U of Delaware) and MS in Librarianship (Columbia) with a specialty in Archives and Special Collections. She has in-depth knowledge of the history of the college and of the Ursulines who founded it.

[View all](#) College of New Rochelle portal holdings, and *just full text* items by checking the "[Limit to full text](#)" checkbox.

With thanks to Sister Martha for editing and fact checking --

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## ***From the Board: Times of Transition***

*Steve Connaghan, University Librarian, The Catholic University of America*

As we bid adieu to retiring colleagues, we also welcome new people to the Representatives Council. The new library directors and deans are Mark Shelton, College of the Holy Cross (Worcester, MA); Valeda Dent, University of St. John's (Queens, NY); and Marianne Ryan, Loyola University of Chicago.



On a very sad note, our friend and colleague, Lorraine Olley Eustice, Director, Feehan Memorial Library, University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary, passed away in November 2016 from illness. She brought a rich perspective and friendly voice to CRRA through her dedicated service on the Board, leadership of the Strategic Planning Task Force, and support for digitizing Catholic newspapers. Her dream was to digitize the Polish edition, no longer published, of Chicago's Catholic newspaper. We will miss her. May she rest in peace.

In this holiday season, we wish all of you times filled with the joyful sounds of family, friends, neighbors and colleagues. We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

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# ***Committee Briefs***

## ***CRRA Collections Committee***

*Stephanie Shreffler, Chair CRRA Collections Committee, University of Dayton*

### **GREATER THAN THE SUM OF ITS PARTS: THE SHARED WEALTH OF SCHOLARLY RESOURCES IN THE CATHOLIC PORTAL: Essays in *Theological Librarianship*, An Online Journal of the American Theological Library Association**

The Collections Committee, under the leadership (and wrangling) of Diane Maher, has published a series of essays in the current issue of [Theological Librarianship](#) (VOL 9, NO 2 (2016)) focused on the Catholic Portal. The essays showcase specific contributed collections and explore "the potential for the discovery of related resources within the portal."

The essays provide the reader with a brief historical overview of the portal and its purposes and dives deep into an analysis of selected collections. For every CRRA aficionado, this is a must read.

#### [Greater Than the Sum of Its Parts: The Shared Wealth of Scholarly Resources in the Catholic Portal](#)

Diane Maher

#### [Catholic Pamphlets at the Hesburgh Libraries](#)

Jean C. McManus

#### [The Historical Value of Parish Histories](#)

Thomas F. Rzeznik

#### [The John Stokes and Mary's Gardens Collection](#)

Stephanie L. Soule and Jillian Ewalt

#### [The Catholic Church Extension Society Records at Loyola University Chicago](#)

Kathryn A. Young

Kudos and appreciation to all contributors!

## ***CRRRA Membership Committee***

*Felice Maciejewski, Dominican University, Chair, Membership Committee*

### **From the Membership Committee: Welcome New Members**

#### **Edgewood College (Madison, WI)**



A Catholic college in the Dominican tradition, Edgewood College engages students within a community of learners committed to building a just and compassionate world, affirming its Catholic heritage and its respect for other religious traditions. The College offers a strong liberal arts education with over 60 majors and international study opportunities to 1,900 undergraduates and graduate programs in education, business and nursing.

The [Oscar Rennebohm Library](#) collections have many archival records and manuscript collections from the Sinsinawa Dominicans and the College. These materials complement the collections on women religious, Dominicans, Ursuline and other orders already in the portal. Recently made available, the digitized version of [Phoenix from the Fire](#) on the college history is heavily used online. Staff are cataloging and selectively digitizing archival materials to provide online access to these unique resources via the portal and other tools. Digitized materials will also be available through the Library's digital collections in [Recollection Wisconsin](#).

## Daughters of Charity Provincial Archives (Emmitsburg, MD)



The Provincial Archives are the collections of former U.S. Daughters of Charity Provinces in New York, Maryland, Indiana, and Missouri. Along with a state-of-the-art repository for the collections, the Archives has two exhibit galleries and a comfortable reading room for researchers. The archival record and manuscript collections reflect the Community's founding by St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise de Marillac, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, its work in the United States (1850-present) and its work as nurses in military conflicts such as the Civil War, Spanish American War and World War I. These collections along with other books, maps, photographs and recorded sound materials support studies of Catholic sisters in the development of education, health care and social services in the United States with particular relevance for the portal themes of Catholic intellectual life, Catholic missions, Catholic social and Women's Religious orders. The Archives promote its collections a searchable [blog](#) and an on-site catalog. Dee Gallo welcomes requests to use the collections and is excited at the opportunity to make its collections known through the portal.

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## ***Newspapers Project***

**The *CATHOLIC NEWS ARCHIVE* is LIVE!!!**

Implemented in summer 2016, the [Catholic News Archive](#) provides online access to a full text, aggregated, digital collection of Catholic newspapers. This is the only collection like it in existence. Key features include:

- Over 46,000 pages from 7 newspapers with 75,000 pages in process.
- Robust search and browse capabilities.
- Downloadable PDF images of pages or text.
- "Today in history" features a page from the collection from this day in history.
- Readers can add tags for topics or keywords they find of interest.
- Readers can participate in OCR text correction, and the Archive tracks how many corrections per user.

[Thecatholicnewsarchive.org](http://Thecatholicnewsarchive.org) is freely available to all. Please invite others in your libraries, archives, parishes and schools to check out the archive. If you have stories of how the *Archive* connected a user with the information needed, we would love to hear from you. Let us know what you think and what papers you would like to see included in the Archive.

[The Archive](http://The Archive) and [Catholic Newspapers Online](http://Catholic Newspapers Online) are developed by the CRRA with the help of members and partners supporting our goal to *provide access to all extant Catholic newspapers in North America*. We are grateful to the [Founders](http://Founders) of the Catholic News Archive and from the [Catholic Communication Campaign of the U.S. Catholic Council of Bishops](http://Catholic Communication Campaign of the U.S. Catholic Council of Bishops) for their generous financial support in bringing our vision to fruition.

The screenshot shows the website interface for the Catholic News Archive. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Search', 'Titles', 'Dates', 'Dioceses', 'Tags', 'About', and 'Help'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'The Monitor, Volume CVI, Number 43, 7 January 1965' and a search button. The main content area displays search results for 'JFK on World Crisis'. The first result is a full-page article titled 'Religion at Root JFK on World Crisis' with a sub-headline 'President Kennedy saw the future, not the present, as the purpose of life, the Catholic Digest reports. In a speech delivered in Sept. 7, 1957, at the Columbian Fathers' Seminary, Milton, Mass., the then junior senator from Massachusetts said: "I believe religion itself is at the root of the present world struggle. It is not...". The article text is partially visible, starting with 'but found answers people conceived that in defining the address on the lay apostolate. Council Fathers were...'. To the right of the article, there are several smaller advertisements, including one for 'SHAMROCK DODGE' and another for 'INVEST FOR LIFE and ETERNITY'. The footer of the page contains copyright information: '© 2008-2016 DL Consulting All rights reserved' and 'Powered by Veridian'.

"JFK on World Crisis." *Monitor* (San Francisco, CA). 7 January 1965. Catholic News Archive. Catholic Research Resources Alliance. <http://the catholicnewsarchive.org>

## **CRRA Wins Catholic Communications Campaign Grant to Digitize Catholic News Service Newsfeeds**

The Catholic Research Resources Alliance (CRRA) has won a \$49,764 Catholic Communications Campaign grant from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for *Preservation and Online Access to Catholic History — NCWC/CNS 1920-* . Funds support the digitization and preservation of newsfeeds from the National Catholic Welfare Council (NCWC), currently known as the Catholic News Service (CNS) newsfeeds (the Catholic equivalent of Reuters). [Read more ...](#)

## **Fundraising for the Catholic News Archive Goes Social: Catholic News Service Launches a GoFundMe Campaign, and More**

We are grateful to the [Founders](#) of the [Catholic News Archive](#) and to the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) of the U.S. Catholic Council of Bishops for their generous financial support. The Archive now boasts nearly 50,000 pages from seven priority papers, with more pages being added as we write. [Check it out](#) and tell others!

We continue to seek grants. In 2017, we will also pursue fundraising through online crowdsourcing. A particularly noteworthy and relevant model is that of the highly successful "Guardian Angels" program of the [Arkansas Catholic](#) with donors "adopting" a year of the paper that includes a date important to them, their family, or parish. Another notable crowdsourcing strategy is GoFundMe.

In collaboration with the Catholic News Service, we have created a [GoFundMe campaign](#) to raise funds to digitize the *Catholic World in Pictures*. These 25 volumes of pictures accompany the *Catholic News Service 1920-1986*, one of the priority papers. We and CNS will promote this campaign to colleagues through multiple forums. We are hopeful that this campaign will be the first of many successful campaigns to secure funding to digitize more pages to add to the ever-growing *Catholic News Archive*.

Please [visit the campaign](#) and share it with other interested (in the words of the *Arkansas Catholic* ) "in bringing decades of Catholic history to the Internet." Onward!

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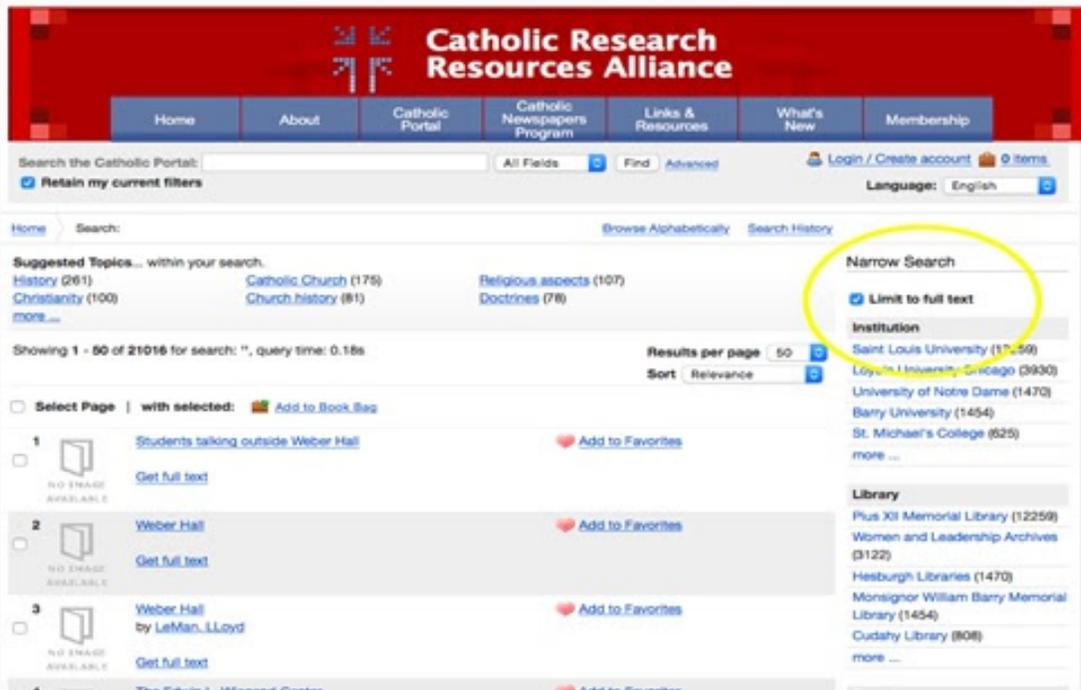
# Tech Corner

## LIMIT TO FULL TEXT! EASY TO DO IN THE CATHOLIC PORTAL

Did you ever want to see *only items in the Portal that are full text*, the thing itself? Wait no longer! We are pleased to announce that you can now limit your search to just full text content on the portal! Deep thanks to our Digital Access Committee and in particular Eric Morgan and Demian Katz for making this possible.

Here's how. Simply:

1. Enter your search terms (or leave the portal search box blank to Find all results).
2. When your results are retrieved, check the "Limit to full text" box on the right side bar under "Narrow your search."(Circled in yellow, below).
3. Enjoy viewing the "thing itself!"



The screenshot shows the Catholic Research Resources Alliance search interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Catholic Portal, Catholic Newspapers Program, Links & Resources, What's New, and Membership. Below the navigation is a search bar with the text "Search the Catholic Portal:" and a search button. To the right of the search bar are links for "All Fields", "Find", and "Advanced", along with "Login / Create account" and "Items". Below the search bar is a "Retain my current filters" checkbox and a "Language" dropdown menu set to "English".

The main content area shows search results. On the left, there are "Suggested Topics..." including History (261), Christianity (100), Catholic Church (176), Church history (81), Religious aspects (107), and Doctrines (78). Below this, it says "Showing 1 - 50 of 21016 for search: '', query time: 0.18s". There are options for "Results per page" (set to 50) and "Sort" (set to Relevance).

On the right side, there is a "Narrow Search" section. The "Limit to full text" checkbox is checked and circled in yellow. Below this are sections for "Institution" and "Library". The "Institution" section lists Saint Louis University (1759), Loyola University Chicago (3930), University of Notre Dame (1470), Barry University (1454), and St. Michael's College (625). The "Library" section lists Plus XII Memorial Library (12259), Women and Leadership Archives (3122), Hesburgh Libraries (1470), Monsignor William Barry Memorial Library (1454), and Cudahy Library (808).

The search results list shows the following items:

Item	Get full text	Add to Favorites
1. Students talking outside Weber Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Weber Hall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Weber Hall by LeMan, Lloyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The Erlan 1 - Wernaf Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Member News

- Black Catholic Clergy Caucus materials to ND archives Black Catholic Clergy Caucus material: <http://www.thebostonpilot.com/article.asp?ID=177821> (pat)
- The College of New Rochelle Library is supporting a campus initiative to retain students who often have difficulty staying in school with assistance from a [Title II Grant](#) (\$10M) and a [FIPSE Grant](#) (\$4M). Ana Fontoura, Dean of CNR's Libraries, explained: "We know the library helps students stay in school but how do we measure that? We have hired six librarians to coach and mentor students, and measure the impact on retention." The *Mentoring, Undergraduate Research, and Augmented Libraries (MURAL) initiative*, also includes enhanced services for the College's six campuses: greater access to librarians and the creation of a Learning Commons providing electronic library resources, information technology, writing assistance, and collaborative group work space.
- Donald Beagle, Belmont Abbey College Abbot Vincent Taylor Library, was interviewed by National Public Radio on the development of Learning Commons and positive assessments at the University of Nebraska. You can listen to the interview at <http://netnebraska.org/article/news/1001884/learning-commons-growing-trend-nebraskas-college-libraries> but as the phone connection was not good, he suggests reading the text instead. Although typically unmentioned, the recently completed library renovation, its plans for an expanded Learning Commons and fine rare book collection can only be a positive factor in the College's new rating among the top ten regional colleges in the southeast in the U. S. News rankings.
- DePaul University Richardson Library is hosting a [new exhibit celebrating two centuries of Vincentians in America](#). The exhibition will feature artifacts, letters, documents, maps and books that were either owned by Vincentians and part of their first library, or are significant to the journey and experience of those first American Vincentians, noted Andrew Rea, curator. The majority of materials on display are held in DePaul University Special Collections and Archives as part of the Vincentian Studies Collection, but items from the St. Louis Archdiocesan Archives and the Vincentian Curia Archives in Rome are also featured.

- 2017 The Religions: Libraries and Dialogues (RELINDIAL) Special Interest Group invites proposals for papers to be given during the IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC), 19-25 August 2017 in Wroclaw, Poland. The RELINDIAL program will focus on how library initiatives around interreligious dialogue foster and support peaceful solidarity. The WLIC theme is Libraries, Solidarity, Society. Read more <http://2017.ifla.org/programme/calls-for-papers>.

- **[2017 University of San Diego Digital Initiatives Symposium Call for Proposals](#)**

Proposals are now being accepted for the Fourth Annual Digital Initiatives Symposium, May 1-2, 2017.

Join University of San Diego's Copley Library for the Fourth Annual Digital Initiative Symposium. This day and a half conference features workshops and user group meetings for a variety of institutional repository platforms, focusing on the digital elements of library ecosystems and institutional repositories. Registration opens December 5, 2016.

\$85 registration includes both the preconference and full-day conference

\$75 registration includes full-day conference

\$40 registration includes preconference workshops

**Call for Proposals** are being accepted for Tuesday, May 2, 2017 – Full Day Conference

**Full-Day Conference Sessions**

Panel discussions: 90 minutes

Concurrent sessions (case studies, white papers, demonstrations, or panels): 45 minutes

Poster sessions on digital project topics will take place in the afternoon.

Please plan on 10-15 minutes for questions, with panel and concurrent sessions.

All submissions will be evaluated based on the relevance of the topic and potential to advance thinking about digital initiatives, institutional repositories, and scholarly communication.

Acceptance is competitive. Registration fees will be waived for accepted presenters.

**Submit proposals** <http://digital.sandiego.edu/symposium/2017/>

For more information or questions contact Diane Maher at [diane@sandiego.edu](mailto:diane@sandiego.edu)

[Read more ...](#)

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## ***Save the Date!***

CRRA Annual Meeting, Tuesday, June 27, 2017 from 9:00am - 12:00pm Central Time. Chicago, IL.

Please note this is the last day of the ALA Annual Conference.