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Barbara Jencks papers
1950-1990

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Number: 016-02

Title: Barbara Jencks papers

Creator: Jencks, Barbara C.

Dates: 1950-1990

Quantity: 1 box (.4 linear feet)

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition: Gift of [Barbara Jencks, 1986-1990. Additional materials donated to the library by Michael J. Brown in 1998.

Accruals: No accruals are expected.

Custodial history: Material was acquired from creator.

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Conservation: Not applicable.

Language: Materials are in English.

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INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS

Separated material Removed three published works donated as part of the collection. Two works by Antonia White and one by Cardinal Ó Fiaich .

Published description Not applicable.

Location of originals Not applicable.

Location of copies Not applicable.

Publication note Not applicable.

Subject headings Ó Fiaich, Tomás, 1923-1990 -- Correspondence
Catholic church -- Clergy -- Correspondence
Catholic church -- Northern Ireland
Catholicism - 20th century
Correspondence. lcgft

SEE ALSO

009, Potter & Williams Collection on Irish Culture

HISTORICAL NOTE

Barbara C. Jencks (1927 -1997) was an educator, journalist, author and editor with a passion for Irish culture and politics. She was born to Henry A. and Claire Jencks of Pawtucket, R.I. She wrote the longest-running opinion column in the American Catholic press in the *Providence Visitor* from 1948-1988.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

The collection includes the papers and correspondence of Jencks with various notable Catholics as well as political and literary figures of the 20th century. The bulk of the materials are related to Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich (1923-1990), the Archbishop of Armagh and later Primate of all Ireland, and describe his work as a political activist for Northern Ireland.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION

Materials are organized alphabetically by correspondent.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Title	Date	Folder
Personal papers of Jencks Includes photographs, publications, obituary and resume.	undated	1
Correspondence: Almagno Includes correspondence with Father Romano Stephen Almagno of Providence, R.I.	1960-1985	2
Correspondence: Barton - Ferraro. Includes: James Barton Bertram, Professor of Dublin University Jerry Berrigan Richard E. Burke Hodding Carter III President Jimmy Carter Catholic Press Association Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Gino Conti Governor Mario Cuomo Dorothy Day Congressman Robert Drinan Mary Durken Senator Thomas Eagleton Ella [unidentified] Dan H. Fenn Geraldine A. Ferraro	1971-1984	3
Correspondence: Garrahy - Levine. Includes: Governor Joseph Garrahy Father James Gillig Bishop Louis Gelineau Guinness Books James C. Hagerty Frank Hall Helen Hayes Theodore M. Hesburgh Ruth Hussey Congresswoman Barbara Jordan Julie [unidentified] Reverend Bernard M. Kelly Congressman George J. Kelley Senator John F. Kennedy	1950-1986	4

Donal Lamont Shane Leslie Irving R. Levine		
Correspondence: Luce Includes letters and address by Clare Boothe Luce	1947-1953	5
Correspondence: Madeleva - Roth. Includes: Sister M. Madeleva Mary McGrory Margaret Mead Flannery O'Connor Constance O'Hara Senator John O. Pastore Father Reilly Elizabeth Cobb Rogers Lillian Roth	1953-1986	6
Correspondence: Ó Fiaich Includes correspondence from Cardinal Ó Fiaich .	1978-1990	7
Clippings: Ó Fiaich Includes newspaper clippings and articles about Cardinal Ó Fiaich	1978-1990	8
Ephemera & photographs: Ó Fiaich Includes ephemera, pamphlets and photographs of Cardinal O'Fairch	1977, 1981	9
Correspondence: Salinger - Young. Includes: Pierre Salinger Jessica Savitch Governor Christopher Del Sesto Fulton J. Sheen Rozelle White Switzer C. George Taylor Arlene Violet Herbert S. Whitman Andrew Young	1953-1986	10
Correspondence: White Includes correspondence with Antonia White	1961-1979	11
Correspondence: Wright Includes letters and clippings from Cardinal John Joseph Wright, Bishop of Worcester.	1952-1978	12