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Robert F. Harvanek, S.J., Papers

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Biographical Sketch

Father Robert F. Harvanek, S.J. was born on November 26, 1916. He entered the Society of Jesus on August 31, 1934 and was ordained on June 16, 1948. He received his Bachelor of Arts in 1939, his Master of Arts in 1941, both at Loyola University of Chicago, and in 1944 attained his Ph.D. at Fordham University in New York.

A teacher since 1944, Father Harvanek taught his first course at Loyola Academy which is Dumbach Hall on the present Loyola campus. Although he had obtained a degree in philosophy, he did not begin teaching it until 1950 at West Baden College. During 1955-1956 he was given a sabbatical in Europe for fourteen months. He spent the time studying languages, talking to living philosophers, including Gabriel Marcel, and attending lectures by Merleau-Ponty, Heidegger and Lonergan. In 1961 Father Harvanek returned to teaching philosophy at West Baden and moved with the college to North Aurora in 1964. He was appointed provincial of the Chicago Province of the Society of Jesus in 1967 and remained in office until 1973. He then taught a sabbatical semester at Le Moyne College before receiving an appointment at Loyola University of Chicago where he continued to teach until the spring of 1987.

Father Harvanek's contributions at Loyola were not limited to classroom activities. During the period from 1979 to 1985 he chaired the Philosophy Department. He also published numerous writings, including "Philosophical Pluralism and Catholic Orthodoxy," "The Unity of Metaphysics," and "The Community of Truth." In 1977 he conducted a workshop on "Authority and Government in Religious Life" in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on February 11-12, and served on the planning committee for the symposium on philosophy in Rome (Villa Cavalletti), held on September 8-18. He became the Rector of the Jesuit Community at Loyola on January 5, 1986.

Scope and Content

The Robert F. Harvanek, S.J., papers comprise 2.5 linear feet spanning the years 1939 to 1993 and include correspondence, class notes, handouts, syllabi, journals, diaries, planners, speeches, homilies, photographs agendas, articles, and memos. Subjects covered include the Jesuits, Philosophy courses, Pedro Arrupe, Creighton University, the North American Theology Group, and the 33rd General Congregation of the Society of Jesus.

Series

Series 1: Personal, 1939-1993, Undated. Boxes 1-2

This series contains journals, diaries, weekly minders, daily planners, correspondence, invitations, programs, photographs, reviews, addresses, and a decorative plaque. Subjects include Robert F. Harvanek, travel, and Our Lady of the Angels school.

Series 2: Jesuits, 1973-1991. Boxes 2-3

This series contains homilies, programs, press releases, reports, yearbooks, correspondence, agendas, photographs, and booklets. Subjects include Creighton University, the 33rd General Congregation of the Society of Jesus, and Pedro Arrupe, S.J.

Series 3: Loyola University Chicago Philosophy Department, 1976, 1984-1990. Boxes 3-4

This series includes memos, speeches, syllabi, notes, reading lists, articles and course descriptions. Subjects include Philosophy courses taught by Fr. Harvanek.

Series 4: Theses & Dissertations, 1983, 1993. Boxes 4-5

This series contains student theses and dissertations for which Fr. Harvanek served as a reader. Subjects include Max Scheler and Chiaroscuro in spiritual direction.

Series 5: North American Theology Group, 1980-1987, Box 5

This series includes memos, notes, copies of papers circulated among the group, proposals, and reports.

Subjects:

Harvanek, Robert F.
Society of Jesus
Arrupe, Pedro
33rd Congregation of the Society of Jesus
Loyola University Chicago
Philosophy – teaching and study
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