



**Priest Senate of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Records, 1967-83  
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*The following is the finding aid for the Priest Senate of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee collection located at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Archives. A finding aid is a catalog tool used in archives that briefly describes the material found in a collection. These records are not available digitally unless otherwise noted. [Researchers must make an appointment with an archivist to view the material.](#)*

**Access**

Open/unrestricted except for personnel committee files

**Arrangement**

Collection is arranged into 11 series and chronologically therein:

Series 1 - Historical materials

By-laws/constitution

Directories

Issues dealt with by the Senate, 1967-75 (actions taken)

Committee membership lists

Newspaper clippings

Series 2 - Senate minutes

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Series 11 - Other Priest Senates Green Bay, LaCrosse, Madison

**Scope and Content** *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*

The Priest Senate was founded on March 6, 1967 to serve as a means of representing the presbytery in the modern world and to assist its bishop in the effective governing of the diocese. It was actively involved in religious and social/political issues of the day. Committees dealt with such priest-related issues as: celibacy, continuing education, insurance, salaries, living arrangements, team parishes, assignment of priests, mass stipends, burial guidelines, retired priests, alcoholism. Broader social issues addressed include: integration/civil rights, abortion/birth control, amnesty, labor.

The Senate was dissolved in fall 1983 when the new Code of Canon Law took effect. After 1983 an Archdiocesan Council of Priests was formed in accordance with Canon Law. Prior to 1983 the Senate was an independent body sanctioned by the archbishop but not directly responsible to him. The new code mandated that every bishop have a priest council to serve as his advisory body.

## **Box and Folder List**

*This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders are arranged chronologically according to the series. This list will help the researcher narrow down exactly what folder they want to look at.*

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- F 6 Senate Minutes - June 30, 1972
- F 7 Senate Minutes - July 28, 1972
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- F 10 Senate Minutes - October 26, 1972
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- F 8 Senate Minutes - August 31, 1973
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- F 10 Senate Minutes - October 26, 1973
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- F 17 Senate Minutes - June 28, 1974
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- F 1 Committee: Justice & Peace (Social Action) - Proposals, Reports, Resolutions, 1967-1970
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- F 8 Committee: Personnel - Correspondence, 1974
- F 9 Committee: Personnel - Formation of Personnel Board, 1967-1970
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- F 1 Committee: Personnel - Minutes, 1971
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