



**Sylvester Gass, 1911-2002
Papers, 1927-2000
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Scope and Content *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*

This collection contains material from the personal and professional life of Msgr. Sylvester Gass. Of particular note are his correspondence files, files from his work in the Archdiocesan Chancery and Tribunal, papers from his work as the chaplain of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, sermons and speeches, and reference files on various subjects regarding marriage and morality.

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