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# Finding Aid - Sister Eveline Gagner sous-fonds (F01-SF11)

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# **Sister Eveline Gagner sous-fonds**

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# **Summary information**

Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada **Repository:** 

Title: Sister Eveline Gagner sous-fonds

Reference code: F01-SF11

> Date: [ca.1917]-2013, predominant 1965-1966 and 1988 (creation)

**Physical description:** 2 cm of textual records

> 169 photographs: col. 68 photographs: b&w 6 postcards: col. 2 postcards: b&w 1 audio cassette tape

3 albums

Language: **English** 

Dates of creation,

October 3, 2022

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# Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

Sister Eveline Gagner was born in Chatham, Ontario on July 3, 1917. She was one of five children born to Dieudonne Gagner of Tilbury, Ontario and Marie Helene Caron of Dover Township, Kent County, Ontario. Her sister, Viola Marie Blanche, also entered the Congregation, and was given the religious name Yvonne.

Sister Eveline received her B.A. from Assumption University, Windsor in 1963, and her M.A. in Theology from the University of Windsor in 1972. She received a diploma from Lumen Vitae in Brussels. Following this, she received the Attestation d'Etudes: Recherche en Catéchèse from the University of Montreal in 1967. Three years later, in 1970, she received her Attestation d'Etudes: Perfectionnement en Religion from the University of Sherbrooke. Sister Eveline attended the EXODUS program in St. Louis Missouri, during a sabbatical period in 1988.

As well as her academic training, Sister Eveline holds her permanent teaching certificates for French and English. She taught from 1939 to 1979 in separate schools in Ontario, in London, Windsor, Belle River and Sarnia, and held positions as principal as well during this time. From 1969 to 1973, she served as the religion consultant for the Roman Catholic Separate School Board in Windsor, Ontario. From 1979 to 1982 Sister Eveline worked in the field of adult faith education as a catechist in the Stratford Deanery, followed by pastoral ministry at St. Andrew's Parish in London from 1982 to 1988. Sister Eveline served as a volunteer in various capacities, including as a hospital visitor and ministering to the poor.

# **Scope and content**

Sous-fonds consists of textual records, three albums and loose photographs depicting various events of Sister Eveline's life. The photographs are of her 50th Jubilee celebration at St. Andrew the Apostle Church in London, Ontario. There are also photographs and postcards from her personal and family life in Ontario, her time at Lumen Vitae, Belgium, and her time in the Exodus program, in Dittmar, Missouri. The sous-fonds also includes handwritten correspondence, certificates, and newspaper clippings and obituaries. The majority of materials are in English, with some correspondence and the Lumen Vitae booklets written in French.

#### **Notes**

#### Title notes

• **Source of title proper**: Title based on the contents of the sous-fonds.

#### **Immediate source of acquisition**

Records transferred directly from Sister Eveline Gagne to the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada Archives -London site.

#### **Location of originals**

The records are located at The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada Archives.

#### **Restrictions on access**

These records are restricted to public access until 30 years after the death of Sister Eveline Gagner in the case of files containing any sensitive information.

The Archives reserves the right to restrict access to the collection depending on the condition of the archival material, the amount of material requested, and the purpose of the research. The use of certain materials may also be restricted for reasons of privacy or sensitivity, or under a donor agreement. Access restrictions will be applied equally to all researchers and reviewed periodically. No researcher will be given access to any materials that contain a personal information bank such as donor agreements or personnel records, or to other proprietary information such as appraisals, insurance valuations, or condition reports.

# Conditions governing use

Permission to study archival records does not extend to publication or display rights. The researcher must request this permission in writing from the Archives.

# Finding aids

There is a series and file list.

#### Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

#### Other notes

• **Publication status**: published

<u>Level of detail</u>: Partial**Status description**: Final

# **Access points**

- Gagner, Eveline (subject)
- Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada (London, Ont.)
- Multiple media (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Audio (documentary form)
- Postcards (documentary form)
- Religion and religious people (subject)
- Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada (London, Ont.) (subject)
- Women and girls (subject)
- Events and celebrations (subject)
- Nuns (subject)
- London (place)

# **Collection holdings**

Series: F01-SF11-S001 - Special Events

**Title**: Special Events

Reference code: F01-SF11-S001

Date: October 2, 1986- May 13, 1988 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of photographs and a recording from Sister Eveline's 50th Jubilee celebration, which took place May 13, 1988 at St. Andrew the Apostle Church in London, Ontario. Photographs include the children from different schools presenting Sister Eveline with roses in thanks for her work as a parish visitor. The audio cassette tape is a recording of the Celebration of the Eucharist with Father F. White. The series also includes a program for Rejoice Federation 1851-1986, an event celebrating the history of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada held at St. Michael's Cathedral in Toronto, Ontario on October 12, 1986.

Physical description: 36 photographs: col.

1 audio cassette tape 0.5 cm of textual records

Publication status:

published

#### Access points:

• Multiple media (documentary form)

#### File: F01-SF11-S001-01 - 50th Jubilee-Sr. Eveline Gagner 2015-10-1

Title: 50th Jubilee-Sr. Eveline Gagner 2015-10-1

Reference code: F01-SF11-S001-01

**Publication status:** 

published

# File: F01-SF11-S001-02 - Celebration of the Eucharist: Sr. Eveline's Jubilee 2015-10-6

Title: Celebration of the Eucharist: Sr. Eveline's Jubilee 2015-10-6

Reference code: F01-SF11-S001-02

Publication status:

published

# File: F01-SF11-S001-03 - Federation Event pamphlet Oct. 12, 1986 2015-10-5

Title: Federation Event pamphlet Oct. 12, 1986 2015-10-5

Reference code: F01-SF11-S001-03

**Publication status:** 

published

#### Series: F01-SF11-S002 - Exodus Program

**Title:** Exodus Program

Reference code: F01-SF11-S002

Date: Sept. 1988-Dec. 1988 (date of creation)

<u>Scope and content</u>: Series consists of a photograph album that documents the time Sister Eveline Gagne spent at the Exodus program held in Dittmar, Missouri, in 1988. This program included priest missionaries from Australia, United States, and the Philippines. There were only ten participants accepted to the program, and Sister Eveline was one of five Sisters. The Sisters were from England, Canada, and

the United States. Sister Eveline kept in touch with a Maryknoll Sister, Gertrude Maley, with whom she exchanged correspondence for 50 years.

Physical description: 1 album (56 photographs : col.)

Publication status:

published

#### Access points:

• Graphic material (documentary form)

#### File: F01-SF11-S002-01 - The Exodus Journey 1988 2015-10-2 [photo album]

<u>Title</u>: The Exodus Journey 1988 2015-10-2 [photo album]

Reference code: F01-SF11-S002-01

Publication status:

published

#### Series: F01-SF11-S003 - Lumen Vitae

Title: Lumen Vitae

Reference code: F01-SF11-S003

Date: 1965-2013, predominant 1965-1966 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of photograph album that documents the time Sister Eveline spent in the Lumen Vitae program in Belgium from 1965 to 1966. Includes obituaries for friends of Sister Eveline Gagner, and correspondence written by Sister Eveline to her family, Sister Yvonne, and other Sisters during her stay in Belgium. Some of the letters are written in French. There are also two booklets of daily prayers written in French, and a calendar of daily observances.

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual materials

1 album (28 photographs : b&w, 16 photographs : col., 3 postcards : col., 2 postcards : b&w)

Arrangement: One folder of textual materials was loose in the album.

<u>Restrictions on access</u>: Public access to this series is restricted for 30 years after the death of Sr. Eveline Gagner.

**Publication status:** 

published

#### Access points:

• Multiple media (documentary form)

### File: F01-SF11-S003-01 - Lumen Vitae-Sr. Eveline Gagner 2015-10-3

<u>Title</u>: Lumen Vitae-Sr. Eveline Gagner 2015-10-3

Reference code: F01-SF11-S003-01

Publication status:

published

#### File: F01-SF11-S003-02 - Lumen Vitae Belgium 1965-66 2015-10-3 [photo album]

Title: Lumen Vitae Belgium 1965-66 2015-10-3 [photo album]

Reference code: F01-SF11-S003-02

Publication status:

published

#### Series: F01-SF11-S004 - Personal and Family History

<u>Title</u>: Personal and Family History Reference code: F01-SF11-S004

Date: [ca. 1917]-[199-] (date of creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of a photograph album that documents the personal life and family history of Sister Eveline. Events and locations depicted include Sister Eveline as a child, her family, class photos as a teacher, retirement parties, birthday celebrations, and a Great Lakes Cruise vacation, in 1936, as well as newspaper clippings. The majority of photographs are captioned with handwritten labels. The series also contains photographs of Monsignor J. Z. Noël from Windsor who provided spiritual advice and consolation to Sister Eveline, as well as a handwritten note card written in French from Monsignor Noël.

<u>Physical description</u>: 1 album (59 photographs : col., 40 photographs : b&w, 3 postcards : col.)

2 photographs : col. 0.5 cm of textual records

<u>Restrictions on access</u>: Public access to this series is restricted for 30 years after the death of Sr. Eveline Gagner.

Publication status:

published

#### Access points:

• Multiple media (documentary form)

# File: F01-SF11-S004-01 - My Life and Family Events 2015-10-4 [photo album]

<u>Title</u>: My Life and Family Events 2015-10-4 [photo album]

Reference code: F01-SF11-S004-01

**Publication status:** 

published

#### File: F01-SF11-S004-02 - Monsignor Noel correspondence 2015-10-7

Title: Monsignor Noel correspondence 2015-10-7

Reference code: F01-SF11-S004-02

**Publication status:** 

published