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Joseph Koester, 1868-1954
Sermon books, 1893-1902
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Biographical Note

Joseph Koester studied for the priesthood at St. Francis Seminary, and was ordained on June 21, 1891. He served as assistant pastor of Holy Trinity Church in Milwaukee for two years. On June 30, 1893 he was appointed pastor to Holy Apostles Parish in New Berlin. On June 30, 1905 he was assigned to establish the new St. James Parish at Madison. He resigned this pastorate after 17 years to serve at Our Lady of Consolation Church in Oregon, Wisconsin. After a brief retirement he took charge of St. Anne's in Stoughton. In December 1942 he retired. Joseph Koester died September 12, 1954.

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

Sermon books, in German, covering most of the time period when Joseph Koester served as pastor at Holy Apostles parish in New Berlin, Wisconsin.

Box and Folder List *a chronological list of the sermon books*

Box 1

Sermon book, 1893-1896 (in German)

Sermon book, 1896-1898, 1902 (in German)