

# ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD



## OFFICE OF THE ARCHDIOCESAN ARCHIVES

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### LIST OF CONTACTS FOR GENEALOGICAL ASSISTANCE & ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

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#### GENERAL RESOURCES

##### **Association of Professional Genealogists**

<https://www.apgen.org>

- Provides a directory of professional genealogists for hire

##### **Catholic News Archive, The**

<https://thecatholicnewsarchive.org>

- Collection of digitized Catholic newspapers from across the United States (project of Catholic Research Resources Alliance)
- Includes full issues of *The Catholic Transcript* from 1925 through 1978
- Good for researching announcements on birth; baptisms; confirmations; marriages; ordinations; deaths & obituaries; historical religious & secular events & people; etc.

##### **Local Resources**

- Contact local town/city clerk's offices, libraries, and historical societies (where family members lived, worked, worshiped, vacationed, etc.)
  - Assistance with genealogy; family papers; newspapers; photographs; land records; building & architectural plans; local religious & secular history, events, & people; vital records; publications; biographies; maps; audiovisual material; etc.

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## NATIONAL ARCHIVES

**NARA (National Archives & Records Admin.)**                      **866-272-6272**  
(College Park, MD)  
<https://www.archives.gov>

**NARA, Northeast Region**    **781-663-0130**  
(Waltham, MA)

- Both provide assistance with census records, military records, passenger lists (ship), genealogy, family papers, land records, Native American tribal records, immigration records, American history, newspapers, photographs, maps, publications, biographies, audiovisual material, etc.

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## CONNECTICUT RESOURCES

**Connecticut State Office of Vital Records**                      **860-509-7700**  
(Hartford, CT)  
<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH>

- Birth, marriage, & death records from July 01, 1897 through the present (records prior to July 01, 1897 are on file with the local town/city hall where the event occurred)

**Connecticut State Archives**    **860-757-6511**  
(Located in the CT State Library – Hartford, CT)

**Connecticut State Library**    **860-757-6500** (History & Genealogy Dept.)  
(Hartford, CT)  
<https://ctstatelibrary.org>

**Godfrey Memorial Library**    **860-346-4376** (ask for Genealogy Dept.)  
(Middletown, CT)  
<https://godfrey.org>

**Silas Bronson Library**    **203-574-8225** (ask for Genealogy & Local History Dept.)  
(Waterbury, CT)  
[Silas Bronson Library - Home](#)

**State of Connecticut, Dept. of Children & Families -**                      **860-550-6582**  
**Office of Foster Care & Adoption Services**  
(Hartford, CT)  
<https://portal.ct.gov/dcf>

- Assistance with adoption & orphanage records

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## MASSACHUSETTS RESOURCES

**Boston City Archives** **617-635-1195**

(West Roxbury, MA)

[Archives and Records Management | Boston.gov](#)

**Boston Public Library**

(Boston, MA)

[Boston Public Library \(bpl.org\)](#)

**617-536-5400** (ask for Rare Books & Manuscript Dept.)

**Historic New England**

(Boston, MA)

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**617-277-3956** (ask for Library & Archives Dept.)

[Library and Archives | Historic New England](#)

**John J. Burns Library (Boston College)**

(Chestnut Hill, MA)

[Home - John J. Burns Library - Libraries at Boston College \(bc.edu\)](#)

**617-552-4861** (ask for Special Collections)

- Assistance with Irish genealogy

**Massachusetts Registry of Vital Records & Statistics**

(Located in Dorchester, MA)

[Registry of Vital Records and Statistics | Mass.gov](#)

**617-740-2600**

- Assistance with birth, marriage, death records, etc.

**Massachusetts Historical Society**

(Boston, MA)

[Massachusetts Historical Society \(masshist.org\)](#)

**617-536-1608**

**Massachusetts State Archives**

(Boston, MA)

[Massachusetts Archives \(state.ma.us\)](#)

**617-727-2816**

**New England Historic Genealogical Society**

(Boston, MA)

[New England Historic Genealogical Society • FamilySearch](#)

**617-536-5740**

[American Ancestors® - A National Center for Family History, Heritage and Culture](#)

- Assistance with New England family genealogy

**State Library of Massachusetts -  
Special Collections Dept.**

(Boston, MA)

[State Library of Massachusetts | Mass.gov](#)

**617-727-2595**

**TIARA (The Irish Ancestral Research Association)**  
(Sudbury, MA)

**617-244-3050**

[Home - The Irish Ancestral Research Association \(tiara.ie\)](#)

- Assistance with Irish genealogy