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Preface

Creation of catalogue

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Introduction

Collection title: Catholic Student Council Papers

Reference code: GB-0033-CSU-D3

Dates of creation: 1980-2002

Extent: 5 boxes

Repository: Durham University Library, Archives and Special Collections

Creator: Catholic Student Council of England and Wales

Language of material: Latin and English

Contents

Papers of the Catholic Student Council of England and Wales, including the administration and fundraising activities of its trust fund (the Catholic Students' Trust), management papers, papers of conferences and events, and various periodical publications.

About the creator

The Catholic Student Council of England and Wales (CSC) was established in 1974 by Bishop Daniel Mullins following the dismemberment of the Union of Catholic Students. The aim of the CSC was to provide a national forum for Catholic students and chaplains, and to build links with other Catholic societies. Its main activities over the years included hosting conferences and events on social and theological issues; building links with other international Catholic bodies, notably the Interfederal Assembly of the International Movement of Catholic Students (IMCS); and disseminating information through publications. The organisation was primarily run on a voluntary basis until the appointment of a National Co-ordinator in 1984. In 1989, the Catholic Student Council was awarded charitable status and the Catholic Students' Trust was formed, acting primarily as a fundraising body throughout the 1990s. By 2001, the organisation had run into financial difficulties and it was disbanded the following year.

Accession details

Donated by the Newman Association, December 2013.

Previous custodial history

The Catholic Student Council Papers were received with the Newman Association archive but have been catalogued as a separate collection. The printed publications in this collection can be found on the Durham University Library catalogue.

Stored at the Scottish Catholic Archives in Edinburgh until the donation of the papers to Durham University in December 2013.

Arrangement

The arrangement is based on the original hierarchical structure of the organisation (where this is known):

1. Catholic Students' Trust Papers
2. Management Papers
3. Conferences and Events
4. Publications

Conditions of access

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1. Catholic Students' Trust Papers

D3/A

(a) Trust Administration Papers

D3/A/1

D3/A/1/1 1988 - 1995

Papers, mostly correspondence, on the charitable status of the trust, including its establishment and management

1 file

D3/A/1/2 8 January 1990 - 24 November 2000

Papers relating to the annual general meetings of the Catholic Students' Trust, with associated papers and correspondence

1 file

D3/A/1/3 1991 - 1999

Financial papers, including account statements, receipts and papers relating to covenants from individuals

3 files

(b) Fundraising Papers

D3/A/2

D3/A/2/1 1990 - 1999

Papers relating to the planning of fundraising initiatives for the Catholic Students' Trust, including printed articles, correspondence on draft appeals, notes on fundraising strategy, and lists of organisations

3 files

D3/A/2/2 1 October 1991 - 23 September 1999

Correspondence between the Catholic Students' Trust and the Catholic hierarchy, mostly Bishop Crispian Hollis, on fundraising strategies

1 file

D3/A/2/3 1991 - 1992

Papers, mostly receipts and correspondence, concerning donations from the English, Scottish and Welsh dioceses to the Catholic Students' Trust to assist their fundraising appeal

Arranged by diocese

1 file

D3/A/2/4 January 1992 - 28 September 2000

Papers, mostly receipts and correspondence, concerning donations from religious orders, including the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of Mercy, Society of Christ, Vocation Sisters, Ursuline Sisters, Society of the Sacred Heart, Sisters of Mercy, and others, to the Catholic Students' Trust to assist their fundraising appeal

Arranged chronologically

2 files

D3/A/2/5 1992

Papers, mostly appeal letters by the Catholic Students' Trust to Catholic members of the House of Lords and the Privy Council asking for donations

2 files

D3/A/2/6 1992 - 1999

Papers, mostly correspondence between the Catholic Students' Trust and British trust funds and charity organisations, including the Aid to the Church, the Baring Foundation, Curzon Secretaries and Trustees Limited, Derwent Consultancy, the Harris Charity, the Joicey Trust, Michael Marsh Trust, Saddlers' Company, and others, on possible donations for the fundraising appeal

Arranged alphabetically by organisation name

4 files

D3/A/2/7 1992

Papers, mostly correspondence between the Catholic Students' Trust and American trust funds and charity organisations, including the Bentz Foundation, Cleveland H. Dodge Foundation, Generation Trust, Laffey-McHugh Foundation, and the Raskob Foundation for Catholic Activities, and others, on possible donations for the fundraising appeal

Arranged alphabetically by organisation name

1 file

D3/A/2/8 March 1992 - 8 July 1998

Papers, mostly correspondence between the Catholic Students' Trust and British private company trusts, including Tesco Charity Trust, Abbey National, Ryland Group, and others, on possible donations for the fundraising appeal

Arranged chronologically

1 file

D3/A/2/9 20 - 30 March 1992

Correspondence between the Catholic Students' Trust and editors of religious publications, including *New Blackfriars* and the *Catholic Truth Society*, seeking assistance for their fundraising appeal

1 file

2. Management Papers

D3/B

D3/B/1 [1994 - 1999]

Drafts of Catholic Student Council constitutions, policy documents and mission statements
1 file

D3/B/2 1984/85, 1993/94 - 1998/99

Annual reports of the Catholic Student Council

Includes a report on the international activities of the CSC for 1985/86

1 file

D3/B/3 1983, 1996 - 1999

Papers relating to the annual general meetings of the Catholic Student Council, with associated papers and correspondence

1 file

D3/B/4 1994 - 2001

Papers relating to the team meetings of the Catholic Student Council, with associated papers and correspondence

1 file

D3/B/5 1980 - 2001

Papers of the Catholic Student Council National Co-ordinator, including correspondence between the National Coordinator and the president of the Newman Centre Trust, as well as minutes of meetings and papers of the National Co-ordinator's Advisory Group (NAG)

The minute book also includes some minutes of the Catholic Students' Trust annual general meetings

2 files and 1 notebook

D3/B/6 July 2001 - 20 June 2002

Papers, mostly email correspondence between various committee members of the Catholic Student Council, on the suspension of activities of the organisation owing to financial difficulties

1 file

3. Conferences and Events

D3/C

D3/C/1 1980 - 1999

Papers of the Catholic Student Council conferences, as well as conferences organised by other bodies, particularly correspondence between the Catholic Student Council and the Newman Centre Trust concerning the offer of funding for delegates to attend the Newman Association conference in Fribourg

1 file

D3/C/2 1996 - 1999

Papers of other events organised by the Catholic Student Council, including workshops, training days, and social events

1 file

4. Publications

D3/D

The printed publications (*CSC News*, *Impact*, and *Grapevine*) in the Catholic Student Council Papers can be found on the Durham University Library catalogue

D3/D/1 [1990 x 1999]

Publicity leaflets by the Catholic Student Council

1 file

D3/D/2 [1990 x 1999]

Resource packs by the Catholic Student Council

1 file

D3/D/3 1992 - 1999

Circular newsletters to the Friends of the Catholic Student Council

D3/D/4 21 January 1999 - [March] 2001

Correspondence and newspaper cuttings on *Grapevine* articles, mostly relating to the controversy surrounding the publication of an article on the use of contraception

1 file