

**College of the Holy Cross  
Archives and Special Collections  
Collection Inventory**

Accession Number: **SC2000-35**

Collection Name (Title): **Lucey, Rev. William L. Papers and Writings**

Dates of Material:

Size of Collection: **31 Boxes**

Arrangement:

Restrictions:

Related Material:

Preferred Citation:

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**Biography/History:**

Rev. William L. Lucey, S.J. was born in Essex, MA in 1903. A graduate of Boston College, he entered the Society of Jesus in 1924 and was ordained in 1935. He taught history at Holy Cross as a scholastic from 1930-1932. In 1941 he received his Ph.D. in history from Georgetown University and returned to Holy Cross as a professor of American history. In 1953, Rev. Lucey was appointed college librarian, a position which he held until 1964. He remained a history professor at the college until his death in 1969.

**Scope and Content Note:**

This collection documents the career of Rev. William L. Lucey, S.J. an historian, history professor and librarian at Holy Cross. There are 31 boxes of records which include correspondence, his writings which include his interest in Catholic history, the history of Maine, Edward Kavanagh, Irish and Jesuit history among others. There are his notes on historical subjects, drafts of his writings, book reviews and articles. The collection also includes records of his teaching at Holy Cross and correspondence with his students. In addition there are records of his activities as a Jesuit priest including retreat and spiritual notes. Also there is correspondence and records as the librarian at Holy Cross including his interest in Louise Imogene Guiney, Rev. Michael Earls, S.J. and others connected to Dinand Library.

**Box and Folder List:**

**Box 1: Personal Papers, 1935- 1969**

- Folder 1: Testimonial for Ordination, 1935
- Folder 2: Empty
- Folder 3: Biographical Information
- Folder 4: Bibliography compiled by Rev. Vincent A. Lapomarda, S.J
- Folder 5: Obituary and Death Notices
- Folder 6: Student Paper, "Andrew Jackson: From Frontiers Man to Presidential Candidate" 1939
- Folder 7: Student Paper, "Jacksonian Democracy in Maine" 1940
- Folder 8: Student Paper, "Jesuit Doctrine at the Court of St. James"
- Folder 9: Teaching Materials, Diplomatic History
- Folder 10: Teaching Materials, Historical Methodology
- Folder 11: Teaching Materials, History Methods
- Folder 12: Teaching Materials, Reading Course in History
- Folder 13: Miscellaneous Teaching Materials, Class Assignments, Notes
- Folder 14: College Governance, Correspondence, Notes, 1963
- Folder 15: Honorary Degree Nominations, 1954-1967
- Folder 16: Writings, Review and Articles by Rev. Lucey, S.J.

**Box 2: Correspondence, General, Alphabetical Arrangement, 1930s- 1960s**

- Folders 1- 18: Correspondence A- W

**Box 3: Correspondence, Subject Files, 1941- 1968**

- Folder 1: Catholic Church in Maine Correspondence; 1956- 1957
- Folder 2: Catholic Encyclopedia Correspondence; 1953- 1959
- Folder 3: Catholic Historical Society; 1947- 1962
- Folder 4: Catholic Publications Correspondence; 1952- 1955
- Folder 5: Thomas E. Cronin Correspondence; 1961- 1968
- Folder 6: Henry Fairbanks; 1965- 1967
- Folder 7: Bernice Gannon; 1950- 1960
- Folder 8: "History of Holy Cross" Correspondence; 1962- 1964
- Folder 9: Correspondence, International Relationships; 1943- 1949
- Folder 10: Correspondence, Gaston Litton; 1941- 1958
- Folder 11: Correspondence, Loyola University Press for "History Methods and Interpretations"; 1958- 1968
- Folder 12: New England Social Studies Bulletin; 1952- 1953
- Folder 13: Rev. Francis J. Osborn S.J.; 1965- 1968
- Folder 14: Students, B-D; 1952- 1965
- Folder 15: Students, E- K; 1945- 1956
- Folder 16: Students, M-N; 1946- 1965
- Folder 17: Students, O-Z; 1943- 1962

**Box 4: Retreat Notes and Spiritual Notes, 1948- 1963**

- Folder 1: Spiritual Notes, Novena of Grace
- Folder 2: Retreat Notes, First Week, St. Anthony by Sea- Parks Island, Maine
- Folder 3: Retreat Notes, Second Week
- Folder 4: Retreat Notes, Fourth Week
- Folder 5: Retreat Notebooks
- Folder 6: Retreat Notebooks
- Folder 7: Sermons, Spiritual Notes, and Talks, 1948- 1963
- Folder 8: Sermons, Spiritual Notes, and Talks, Undated

**Box 5: Conference and Associations Records, 1945- 1962**

- Folders 1 – 13: Institute of Social Order; 1945- 1960
- Folder 14: New England Political Science Association; 1958- 1961
- Folder 15: Worcester Association of Historians and Political Scientists; 1962
- Folder 16: Institute of Social Order Political Science Committee Records; 1946- 1948

**Box 6: Encyclopedia Articles written by Rev. Lucey, S.J., 1958- 1961**

- Folder 1: “Rev. Joseph M. Finotti” in Catholic Encyclopedia
- Folder 2: “Spring Field, Diocese” in Catholic Encyclopedia
- Folder 3: “The Diocese of Worcester” for the Catholic Encyclopedia
- Folder 4: New Catholic Encyclopedia
- Folder 5: New Catholic Encyclopedia, Articles
- Folder 6: Catholic Free Press Editorials
- Folder 7: “Diocese of Portland” in Catholic Youth Encyclopedia
- Folder 8: “Catholic Church in Connecticut” in Catholic Encyclopedia

**Box 7: Book Reviews Written by Rev. Lucey, S.J., 1952- 1968**

- Folder 1: Book review of “American History and American Historians”
- Folder 2: Book Review and Correspondence of “Back Door to War”
- Folder 3: Choice
- Folder 4: “New England Reformers” Book Reviews
- Folder 5: Review of “Religion and the Main Schools: An Historical Approach”
- Folder 6: Book Reviews, Miscellaneous, 1957- 1963
- Folder 7: Book Reviews, Miscellaneous, 1964- 1968
- Folder 8: Book Review of “Seek for a Hero”

**Box 8: Lecture Notes, Speeches, Misc. Writings, 1945- 1967**

- Folder 1: Lecture on Edward Kavanagh
- Folder 2: Kavanagh, Lecture “Journey to Britain,” 1815
- Folder 3: “Two Irish Merchants of New England” Lecture
- Folder 4: “Economics as a Bridge for Interhuman Understanding” Lecture
- Folder 5: “Recent Observations on American Historiography” Lecture
- Folder 6: New England Galaxy
- Folder 7: Humanizing the Social Sciences

**Box 8: Lecture Notes, Speeches, Misc. Writings, 1945- 1967**

- Folder 8: Communism vs. the Constitution
- Folder 9: "The Vocation of Public Service"
- Folder 10: "Same Research Problem in the History of the Catholic Church in New England"
- Folder 11: Article on Communism in the Worcester Telegram and Other Articles
- Folder 12: Seminar on American Catholicism
- Folder 13: Article on Holy Cross Becoming a Non- Sectarian College
- Folder 14: Institute of National Immigration Policy
- Folder 15: The University Today

**Box 9: Book Drafts, Publication Records, Copyrights, 1946- 1968**

- Folder 1: "History: Methods and Interpretation"
- Folder 2: Correspondence on Edward Kavanagh
- Folder 3: "History: Methods and Interpretation" Correspondence and Proofs
- Folder 4: "Writing a Term Paper" Correspondence and Proofs
- Folder 5: Correspondence, Notes, and Contract on Publication of "Edward Kavanagh"
- Folder 6: Miscellaneous Correspondence
- Folder 7: Review of "Edward Kavanagh"
- Folder 8: Copyrights and Publication Records

**Box 10: Manuscript Entitled "How Strange has been my Fortune," 1960**

- Folder 1: "How Strange has been My Fortune" Correspondence, Notes, Etc.
- Folders 2-4: "How Strange has been My Fortune" Unpublished Manuscript Copy 1
- Folders 5-7: "How Strange has been My Fortune" Unpublished Manuscript Copy 2

**Box 11: Published Articles, 1932 – 1949**

- Folder 1- 7: Published Articles, March 1932- September 1949

**Box 12: Published Articles, 1950 - 1953**

- Folder 1- 6: Published Articles, January 1950- December 1953

**Box 13: Published Articles, 1954 – 1969**

- Folder 1- 7: Published Articles, March 1954- May 1969

**Box 14: Notes on Holy Cross History, 1954- 1964**

- Folder 1: Notes on Holy Cross Alumni in the Civil War
- Folder 2: "Bishop Fenwick" in *the Pilot*
- Folder 3: Catholic Serials- Checklist in Dinand Library
- Folder 4: Tradition of Governor at H.C. Commencement
- Folder 5: Notes on Class of 1865
- Folder 6: Notes on Members of Class of 1897

**Box 14: Notes on Holy Cross History, 1954- 1964**

Folder 7: Fr. James Fitton

**Box 15: Notes on Edward Kavanagh, Undated**

Folder 1: James Kavanagh  
Folder 2: Education  
Folder 3: Notes on Kavanagh Correspondence  
Folder 4: Maine  
Folder 5: Maine Politics  
Folder 6: 1820- 1830  
Folder 7: Congressional Years, 1830- 1835  
Folder 8: Chapter 9, North East Boundary  
Folder 9: Chapter 10- 11, Government- Death  
Folder 10: Legal Notes  
Folder 11: Portugal- Diplomatic Correspondence

**Box 16: Notes on Edward Kavanagh Madawaska, and Maine History, Undated**

Folder 1: Kavanagh Notes, Diplomatic Correspondence  
Folder 2: Kavanagh Notes, Treaties  
Folder 3: Kavanagh Notes, Miscellaneous  
Folder 4: Kavanagh Notes, Addenda  
Folder 5: Kavanagh, Lecture Notes  
Folder 6-7: Notes on Madawaska Maine, Edward Kavanagh  
Folder 8: "Madawaska on the River St. John: New England's Last Frontier"  
Folder 9: Maine, History Notes  
Folder 10: Miscellaneous Notes

**Box 17: Notes on the Catholic Church in Maine, 1955 & Undated**

Folder 1: Catholic Church in Maine  
Folder 2-4: Notes on the Catholic Church in Maine  
Folder 5-7: Historic Chapters of the Catholic Church in Maine

**Box 18: Notes on the Irish, Undated**

Folder 1: Notes on Irish Politics  
Folder 2: Irish Labor in the U.S.  
Folder 3: Irish in the U.S., "Men of Wealth"  
Folder 4: Irish in the U.S., "Journalism of Medicine, Arts, and Literature"  
Folder 5: Irish in the U.S., Population Figures and Catholic Church  
Folder 6: "Irish in the U.S." Manuscript

**Box 19: Notes on Catholic Publications, 1954- 1963**

Folder 1: Catholic Juvenile Magazines to 1865  
Folder 2: American Catholic Magazines  
Folder 3: American Catholic Hymnals

**Box 19: Notes on Catholic Publications, 1954- 1963**

- Folder 4: New Hampshire Catholic Magazines
- Folder 5: Masterpieces of Catholic Literature
- Folder 6: Catholic Magazine on Cuban Crisis
- Folder 7: Catholic Magazine and Cuban Crisis, 1897- 1898
- Folder 8: Notes on Lucey's Work on Catholic Magazines
- Folder 9: Catholic Magazine
- Folder 10: Notes on Catholic Magazine Article/ Pamphlet 1890s
- Folder 11: Notes on Catholic Magazine Article/ Pamphlet 1875- 1900
- Folder 12: The Catholic Pattern
- Folder 13: Vermont Catholic Magazines

**Box 20: Miscellaneous Historical and Biographical Notes, 1961- 1965 & Undated**

- Folder 1: Louise Imogen Guiney Correspondence
- Folders 2-3: Drafts on Urban VI
- Folders 4-5: Notes on Bishop Bacon
- Folder 6: "John Bapst"
- Folder 7: Suarez, De Ligibus
- Folder 8: Puritans
- Folder 9: Research Notes on Sebastian Rale
- Folder 10: Notes on St. Patrick
- Folder 11: Notes on Massachusetts

**Box 21: Bruce Lancaster Novels, 1942, 1950 & 1964**

- Book 1: "Bright to the Wanderer"
- Book 2: "Phantom Fortress"
- Book 3: "The Big Knives"

**Box 22: Requested Dinand Library Manuscripts and Notes, 1959- 1960**

- Folder 1: Dinand Library Manuscripts: Requested
- Folder 2: Notes on O'Hagan Letters
- Folder 3: Dinand Library Manuscripts Requested by Lucey
- Folder 4: Notes on O'Hagan
- Folder 5: "Civil War History"

**Box 23: Guiney Association, Notes and Articles, 1939- 1962**

- Folder 1: A.L.S. to Rev. Joseph Dinand, S.J.
- Folder 2: Guiney Association Articles on L.I.G. Rev. William L. Lucy, S.J.
- Folder 3: Guiney Association Articles on L.I.G. "Louise Morgan and the American Ecclesiastical Review"
- Folder 4: Guiney Association Articles on L.I.G. William L. Lucey S.J., "Two Letters of Miss Guiney" Article Prepared for Boston Public Library Quarterly
- Folder 5: Guiney Association Bibliography of L.I.G. & Jacob Blanck Correspondence

**Box 23: Guiney Association, Notes and Articles, 1939- 1962**

- Folder 6: Guiney Association Article on L.I.G. William L. Lucy S.J. "We New Englanders" Letters to Sarah Orne Jewett to Louise Imogen Guiney
- Folder 7: Fr. Lucey's Notes on Patrick Guiney
- Folder 8: Holy Cross: Historical Notes and Photos
- Folder 9: Lucy's Notes in Parson's Early Catholic Americana

**Box 24: Edward Kavanagh, Portland Diocese, Jesuits in Maine, 1942- 1955 & Undated**

- Folder 1: Kavanagh, Edward Documents
- Folder 2: Kavanagh, Edward and the "Me" Dispute
- Folder 3: Kavanagh, Edward Memorandum Book 1815
- Folder 4: Kavanagh, Edward Letters Sent to Rev. D. Ryan
- Folder 5-6: Kavanagh, Edward Memoranda: Madawaska Journal 1831
- Folder 7: Kavanagh, Edward and the "Hibernia"
- Folder 8: Kavanagh, Edward Memorandum Book: Trip to Europe 1815
- Folder 9: Kavanagh, Edward & St. Mary's College, Baltimore
- Folder 10: McCarthy, Jr., Charles. Portland ME.
- Folder 11: Portland, Diocese of
- Folder 12: Rev. Lucey Info on Jesuits in Maine, 1954
- Folder 13: Pakachoag Tomahawk Sept. 16, 1920

**Box 25: Correspondence, 1947- 1961 & Undated**

- Folder 1: Fr. Lucey Correspondence with John F. Kennedy, 1951- 1964
- Folder 2: Fr. Lucey Correspondence, 1947- 1961
- Folder 3: Lucey Historical Notes
- Folder 4: Notes on Josue Maria Young
- Folder 5: Charles Bullard Fairbanks Correspondence
- Folder 6: William Garland Correspondence
- Folder 7: Articles and Correspondence Re. Andrew O'Connor, 1955
- Folder 8: Catholic Magazines & Cuban Crisis 1897- 1898, Articles by Lucey

**Box 26: Letters from Dorothy G. Wayman, 1949- 1965**

- Folders 1- 10: Letters from Dorothy G. Wayman

**Box 27: Manuscripts (Edward Kavanagh; Vermont Catholic Church Notes; Irish in the United States) 1945, 1959 & Undated**

- Manuscript 1: "Edward Kavanagh of Maine, 1794- 1844"
- Manuscript 2: "The Irish in the United States"
- Manuscript 3: Vermont: Catholic Church Notes

**Box 28: Notes on Fr. Earls, 1934- 1958 & Undated**

- Folder 1-2: Biographical Notes by Fr. Lucey for Writing "The Record of an American Priest"
- Folder 3: Draft of the Earls Bio. By Fr. Lucey
- Folder 4: The Record of an American Priest: M.E. S.J. 1873- 1937 (3 copies)

**Box 28: Notes on Fr. Earls, 1934- 1958 & Undated**

Folder 5: Draft of Earls Bio. by Fr. Lucey, S.J.

Folder 6: Letters to Fr. Lucey from Others referring to Earls Bio.

**Box 29: Manuscript (Catholic Church in Maine), Undated**

Contains loose pieces of paper notes

**Box 30: Correspondence, Notes on Politics in Maine, 1938- 1964**

Folder 1: Notes on David Bacon of Portland, Maine

Folder 2: Ruth Benedict, Anthropologist; 1964

Folder 3: Thomas Innitzer, Cardinal; 1951

Folder 4: Leverett Saltonstall thanking Fr. Lucey for his involvement in the  
Senate Displaced Persons Bill; 1946- 1947

Folder 5: Notes on John S. Miehand '70 Bishop of Burlington

Folder 6: Mary E. Deshon; 1967

Folder 7: Broadus Mitchell; 1944

Folder 8: Winifred E. Sloane; 1960

Folder 9: Benjamin A. Smith (Senator); 1961

Folder 10: James field Spalding; 1956- 1958

Folder 11: Patricia Tate, Artist; 1955- 1964

Folder 12: Pedro Manly Tello; 1963

Folder 13: W.A. Swanberg Biographer of Gen. Sickles; 1955

Folder 14: Reid Richard; 1957- 1958

Folder 15: Dr. Richard Purcell; 1941- 1949

Folder 16: Edward F. Ryan, Bishop of Burlington Vermont; 1951- 1952

Folder 17: Rev. Abram J. Ryan Poet; 1958

Folder 18: James Roosevelt; 1938

Folder 19: Theodore Roosevelt Jr.; 1922

Folder 20: Notes on William O'Connell, Cardinal

Folder 21: Edward S. Muskie, Governor of Maine; 1955

Folder 22: Albert Le Roy S. J.; 1941- 1946

Folder 23: Sacral Heart Church; Undated

Folder 24: Ethel Brigham Leatherbee; 1955

Folder 25: Senator Henry Cabot Lodge Jr.; 1948- 1949

Folder 26: Prince Hubertus Zu Lowenstein; 1945- 1946

Folder 27: New England Bishops: Autographs; 1947- 1951

Folder 28: Sister Mary Alphonsine; 1944

Folder 29: Maine: Politics and Know Nothings; 1954

Folder 30: Maine with the 1880's

Folder 31: Rev. William K. McDonough; 1963

Folder 32: Notes on Augustine K. Kennedy

Folder 33: Liuy Vigilante (S.J.); 1957

Folder 34: Arthur T. Vanderbilt; 1949- 1951

Folder 35: James P. Valley, Letter on Catholicism in Maine; 1947

Folder 36: J.C. Walsh; 1942- 1943

Folder 37: Worcester, Catholic Alumni Sodality; 1943- 1959

**Box 30: Correspondence, Notes on Politics in Maine, 1938- 1964**

Folder 38: Notes Rev. Charles E. Woodman

Folder 39: Clifford Shipton; 1949

**Box 31: Records, Bulletin & Correspondence, 1940- 1970**

Folder 1: "Records of the American Catholic Historic Society"; 1954- 1970

Folder 2: "The New England Social Studies Bulletin"; 1953

Folder 3: Correspondence with James Healy, Bishop of Portland, ME; 1955- 1965

Folder 4: Correspondence with Fr. Lucey (Librarian); 1959- 1967

Folder 5: Brownson Symposium, St. Michael's College, Winooski, VT; 1953

Folder 6: Miscellaneous Letters; 1940- 1957

Folder 7: Correspondence Gathering Material for Bio. of Edward Kavanagh;  
1949- 1953

Folder 8: Correspondence; 1957- 1958

Folder 9: Anthony F. Ciampi Letters; 1956- 1957

Folder 10: Notes on James Fitton