

# Archives of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

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## Finding Aid for Bishop Burgess Subject File

Date range: 1901-1925

### **CREATOR**

Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

### **EXTENT**

Linear Feet: .5 linear foot

Number of Containers: 1 small box

### **ABSTRACT**

A collection of subject files pertaining to Bishop Frederick Burgess (held office 1901-1925). Contains correspondences, sermons, recreational activities, commentary on news events, consecration records, photographs, and ephemera. Part of a larger collection of subject files relative to bishops who served episcopacy for the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island.

### **LANGUAGES**

English

### **REFERENCE CODE**

SF-2

### **PROCESSING ARCHIVIST**

Caroline Zhu, Head Archivist

Processed in 2025

## Collection Details

### \*\*\*Historical Note

Born on October 6th, 1853, in Providence, Rhode Island, Frederick Burgess graduated from Brown University in 1873 and then went on to study at the General Theological Seminary in New York. He later in 1898 received a Doctor of Divinity from Brown University. He was married to his wife, Caroline G. Bartow until she died in 1894, leaving behind their 4 sons, Julian Howard, Edgar Bartow, George, and Frederick. His uncle was Bishop George Burgess who was the first bishop of Maine. He was ordained deacon in 1876 and then ordained into the priesthood in 1878 by the Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark. He served at a few different parishes after that in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Detroit. It was in 1898 that he became rector of Grace Church in Brooklyn. In 1901 he was elected the second Bishop of Long Island and was consecrated on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902, at Grace Church in Brooklyn Heights, by the Bishop of New York the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Potter. He served in this role until he died in office on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 1925. He was placed to rest in the crypt of the Cathedral of Incarnation.

### Scope & Content

Bishop Burgess is the primary creator of the materials included in this collection. These materials come in the form of letters, newsletters, newspaper clippings, photographs, press releases, recreational documents, and ephemera. Many of the materials are relative to the Diocese of Long Island, thus the geographical provenance of many materials has connections to Long Island, Queens and/or Brooklyn. Examples of this may include church activities, personal interests and communications from the bishop, community involvement, and commentary on current events. However, some materials have been outsourced, particularly letters from various dioceses or institutions out-of-state or internationally.

### Arrangement Description

This collection was processed at the collection-level; materials and individual items are categorized by folder. Each folder begins with letters "SF" for Subject Files. The initial number, 1-8, signaling which bishop the evidence pertains to. The numbers are attached to individual bishops in order of when they held their episcopacy. For example, 1 would be referring to Rt. Rev. Littlejohn and 8 would refer to Bishop Provenzano. The final number - separated by a period from the initial number - in two digits, referring to the collection or file itself. For example, a file titled '#SF-2.04' would be specific subject file 'number 4' referring to items related to Bishop Frederick Burgess. The folders in the banker boxes are not categorized in any specific order; in terms of organization, these folders were left in the same order as they were when they were first received.

## **Related Materials**

These subject files are part of a larger group of files pertaining to the bishops of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island, which can be accessed by contacting its archivist. Other archives may hold information on Bishop Burgess and his episcopacy, including (but not limited to) the Archives of the Episcopal Church at 107 Denson Drive, Austin, TX 78752.

## **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

The collection has been property of the Episcopal Diocese since its genesis.

## **Subject Headings**

This record series is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms:

### **PERSONS:**

Burgess, Frederick

Greer, David H.

Wrigley, C.F.J.

### **ORGANIZATIONS:**

Diocesan Convention

Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

Episcopal Diocese of New York

### **PLACES:**

Kings County, N.Y. (USA)

Nassau County, N.Y. (USA)

Queens County, N.Y. (USA)

Suffolk County, N.Y. (USA)

### **SUBJECTS:**

Art and religion

Diocesan history

Episcopal Church—United States Protestant Episcopal Church in the U.S.A.

Episcopal Church--Episcopalian theological seminaries

Libraries—Special collections—Religion

Religious articles

Religious life

Worship

# Using the Collection

## ACCESS STATEMENT

Collection access is available upon request.

## RIGHTS STATEMENT

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## PREFERRED CITATION

[ITEM DESCRIPTION], Bishop Burgess Subject Files 1901-1925,  
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# Collection Inventory

<b>FILE</b>	<b>ID</b>	<b>BOX</b>
Clippings & Pictures	#SF-2.01	Box 1
Sermon Preached at Consecration	#SF-2.02	Box 1
Consent to Consecration	#SF-2.03	Box 1
Memorial Service by Swentzel	#SF-2.04	Box 1
Sermon by Bp. Burgess (Psalm XCIV.9)	#SF-2.05	Box 1
Sermon by C.F.J. Wrigley at 42 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Diocese Convention (1908)	#SF-2.06	Box 1
Testimony at Special Convention (November 1901)	#SF-2.07	Box 1
Consecration of Greer as Bp. Coadjutor of New York (1904)	#SF-2.08	Box 1
Clipping "Bishop Burgess Buried in Crypt" (1925)	#SF-2.09	Box 1
Correspondence	#SF-2.10	Box 1
The Helping Hand Vol XLVIII no. 10 (1915)	#SF-2.11	Box 1
The Helping Hand Vol LIV no. 11 (1921)	#SF-2.12	Box 1
Ribbon (February 16 <sup>th</sup> , 1905)	#SF-2.13	Box 1