

Preserving the Past, Building for the Future
The Working Paper of the Boston College Conference released!

The working committee charged with gathering, reflecting upon and synthesizing the presentations and input from the Boston College Conference *Envisioning the Future of Catholic Religious Archives* is pleased to announce the release of a working paper titled *Preserving the Past, Building for the Future*.

The paper provides a broad outline of the major areas of concern for Catholic religious leaders, scholars and archivists who are invested in the long term preservation and use of these valuable collections as well as suggestions on ways we can move forward together in this important work. The committee recommends that this paper be used as a framework for considering possible solutions to specific challenges faced by each religious community and as a tool to encourage cooperation and collaboration among the three constituencies

The working paper can be found at <https://catholicarchives.bc.edu> along with the video recordings of conference presentations. *[In printing booklet format, use landscape option and back to back printing.]*

As ongoing dialogue is critical to this initiative; a Google group, Archival Resources for Catholic Collections (ARCC), has been formed to facilitate connection among the three primary constituencies. Please email archivalrcc@gmail.com if you wish to join the conversation.

The working group thanks all the attendees and presenters that made the Boston College Conference a wonderful experience. We also extend a special thank you to the Reverend William P. Leahy, SJ, President of Boston College who made this important gathering possible.

