Descriptive Summary

Creator: Barnard, James, 1733-1803.
Title: James Barnard papers, 1784-1787
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 048
Extent: 0.12 cubic ft. (1 box + 1 folder)
Abstract: Consists of a two volume set entitled The Real Presence and one bound manuscript volume of sermons.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Biographical Note
James Barnard was born in London in 1733 of Protestant parents. After studying at the Blue Coat School in London, he converted to Catholicism and was admitted into the English College in Seville where he was ordained a priest. In 1758 he left Seville for the English College in Lisbon. He studied theology in Lisbon from 1758 until 1761, when he was sent to the English mission in London. He continued to labor in the London district until he assumed the presidency of the
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English College in Lisbon in 1776. In 1782 he resigned the presidency of the Lisbon college and returned to London where he assumed the spiritual charge of the school at Brook Green and also was appointed Vicar-General of the London district. In addition to writing numerous pieces on doctrine, Barnard published a biography on his friend, Bishop Richard Challoner. He died in London on September 12, 1803.

**Scope and Content Note**

This collection consists of a two volume set entitled *The Real Presence* and one bound manuscript volume of sermons.

*The Real Presence* is an eighteenth-century manuscript in which James Barnard refutes the arguments against transubstantiation and other Catholic doctrines posed by Mr. Chauvel, a clergyman of the Church of England. The first volume of *The Real Presence* is addressed to "Madam," who is probably Miss Saer, a Catholic woman who had been presented a manuscript by Mr. Chauvel in an effort to persuade her to convert to Protestantism. The second volume, addressed to "Sir" (Mr. Chauvel), continues Rev. Barnard's arguments against Mr. Chauvel's theological position.

Both volumes are leather-bound and contain the stamp of the Catholic Workers College, Oxford. The first volume is inscribed "From the library of Revd. Wm Victor Fryer, of the Portuguese Embassy Chapel, Godfather of Mary Cowden Clarke, whose father Vincent Novello was organist of the chapel for 26 years." (William Victor Fryer succeeded James Barnard as the president of the English College in Lisbon.) The first volume also contains an index, which serves as the table of contents to both volumes.

The volume of sermons is a collection of sermons written for days of special liturgical significance. At the beginning of the volume is a sermon for All Saints Day followed by sermons for the fourth Sunday in Advent, Christmas Day, the Sunday after the Nativity, the third Sunday following the Epiphany, etc. The order of the sermons follows the liturgical calendar. At the beginning of each sermon is a list of “corrections and alterations” for that sermon. Dates written at the beginning of some of the sermons indicate that they may have been written or delivered between 1784 and 1787. The dates do not appear in chronological order within the volume.