

St. Mary's Orphan Asylum in Dunkirk NY

1860 – 1940

An Index of Names

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Women in the order of the Sisters of St. Joseph established St. Mary's Orphan Asylum in 1857. The first public listing of the children's names was in the 1860 Census where the names of the six orphans are given. There also are lists in the Federal and New York State censuses of 1865, 1870, 1875, 1880, 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930 and 1940. Some age discrepancies can be explained by the different dates for the Federal census and NYS censuses.

Although there are far more girls' names, boys were included up through 1905. After that the boys were at the St. Mary's Farm and School on Bennett Road. (In the directories for 1906 through 1957, the orphanage on Buffalo Street [today's Washington Avenue] is given as "St. Mary's Orphan Asylum," while the one on Bennett Road is given as "St. Mary's Orphanage." Newspaper references are usually to "St. Mary's Home & School," and "St. Joseph's Farm & School.")

The list that follows is arranged alphabetically by family name. (Some of these entries are conjectural, because the census-taker's handwriting was difficult to read, and often, the name can't be found again using that spelling.) Where the information was given, this list notes given name(s), age, place of birth, etc. It should be noted that this is merely a basic list. As many on-line inquiries make clear, the orphanage's records for each child do not seem to be available either locally or at the Diocesan level. Perhaps, some day, they will be found. Use this as a finding aid but check the census records on ancestry as the images are much improved today. Unfortunately, we can't say the same for the handwriting nor the spelling of ethnic names.

SURNAME, GIVEN NAME, SEX, AGE, DATE OF BIRTH, WHERE BORN, WHERE ORIGINATED, CENSUS YEAR

Allen, Berenice, F, 12, U.S., 1925

Auer, Mary, F, 8, NY, 1920

Banks, Hazel, F, 13, United States, Bradford Penna., 1905

Banks, Bessie, F, 10, United States, Bradford Penna., 1905

Banks, Gladys, F, 5, United States, Bradford Penna., 1905

Banks, Bessie, F, 14, NY, 1910

Banks, Gladys, F, 11, NY, 1910

Bayer, Ethel, F, 14, U.S, Jamestown, NY 1915

Bentley, Mary, F, 12, Oct. 1887, NY, 1900

Bentley, Mary, F, 16, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905

Beohm, Evelyn, F, 13, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915

Berens, Elizabeth, F, 10, NY, 1910

Berens, Pauline, F, 9, U.S., Fredonia NY, 1915

Berns, Pauline, F, 13, NY, 1920

Birrecca, Josephine, F, 8, U.S., Pomfret NY, 1915

Birrecca, Angeline, F, 6, U.S., Pomfret NY, 1915

Bis, Mary, F, 10, NY, 1930

Bis, Jennie, F, 12, Ny, 1930

Blazicivecz, Mary, F, 11, U.S., 1925

Boehm, Hazel, F, 12, NY, 1910

Boehm, Florence, F, 10, NY, 1910

Boehm, Evelyn, F, 9, NY, 1910

Bowser, Dorothy, F, 5, Pennsylvania, 1910

Bracgynski, Stella, F, 13, NY, 1920

Bracgynski, Mildred, F, 8, NY, 1920

Brahm, Florence, F, 15, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Brown, Marcie(?), F, 14, U.S., 1925
Bryant, Alice, F, 15, United States, New York City, 1905
Bunnelle, Dona, F, 9, Pennsylvania, 1880
Burke, Mary, F, 8, Cat, 1865
Burkhardt, Mabel, F, 5, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905

Calamni, Josephine, F, 16, U.S., 1925
Callahan, Ann, F, 11, NY, 1870
Callahan, Kate, F, 9, NY, 1870
Callihan, Fanny, F, 12, Cha, 1875
Callihan, Catherine, F, 10, Cha, 1875
Cannis, Francis, F, 7, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Cappelli, Mary, F, 5, PA, 1870
Caronne, Angeline, F, 3, U.S., 1925
Cataldo, Angeline, F, 8, NY, 1930
Cataldo, Ida, F, 6, NY, 1930
Caughlin, Catharine, F, 15, Sept. 1884, NY, 1900
Clarey, Julia, F, 15, Canada, 1880
Clary, Mary, F, 14, MI, 1875
Clary, Julia, F, 8, MI, 1875
Clifford, Daniel, M, 9, NY, 1880
Clifford, Catharine, F, 16, Dec. 1883, NY, 1900
Cobb, Merrill, F, 12, U.S., Brocton, NY, 1915
Cobb, Josephine, F, 7, U.S., Brocton, NY, 1915
Cobb, Laura, F, 7, U.S., Brocton, NY, 1915
Condol, Anna, F, 8, Cha, 1865
Congden, Ellen, F, 6, NY, 1860
Congden, Anna, F, 4, NY, 1860
Conn, Josephine, F, 12, U.S., 1925
Connor, Lizzie, F, 6, United States, Dunkirk, NY, 1905

Connors, Catharine, F, 7, May 1893, NY, 1900
Connors, Elizabeth, F, 1, Feb 1899, NY, 1900
Connors, Jane, F, 2, June 1897, NY, 1900
Connors, Elizabeth, F, 10, NY, 1910
Constanza, Josephine, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Costello, Agnes, F, 9, Pennsylvania, 1920
Costello, Veronica, F, 5, Pennsylvania, 1920
Costello, Veronica, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Costello, Agnes, F, 15?, U.S., 1925
Cronan, Margaret, F, 7, Cha, 1865
Cronan, Margaret, F, 14, NY, 1870
Cronin, Margaret, F, 17, Cha, 1875
Crumb, Anna, F, 6, NY, 1930
Cullen, Belle, F, 17, Cha, 1875
Curley, Dorothy, F, 12, U.S., 1925
Curley, Marion, F, 14, U.S., 1925

Dawsin, Katie, F, 15, England, 1880
Dawson, Catherine, F, 8, ENG, 1875
Dawson, George, M, 10, ENG, 1875
Day, Mary, F, 10, Pennsylvania, 1920
De Anou(?), Genevive, F, 6, Unknown, 1910
De Laurier, Dolores, F, 7, NY, 1930
DeLorenzo, Elvira, F, 8, NY, 1930
Dilorenzo, Elvira, F, 3, U.S., 1925
Diviteo, Angeline, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Diviteo, Josephine, F, 18, U.S., 1925
Donovan, Nellie, F, 16, MA, 1875
Doty, Jane, F, 10, May 1890, NY, 1900
Dougherty, Mary, F, 6, NY, 1870
Dougherty, Mary, F, 8, Cha, 1875

Downs, Catherine, F, 4, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Downs, Margaret, F, 6, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Doyle, Michael, M, 6, NY, 1860
Drazd, Thressa, F, 7, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Driver, Mary, F, 6, NY, 1930
Drozd, Teresa, F, 11, NY, 1920
Dulfus, Mary, F, 11, NY, 1880

Elias, Clara, F, 2, April 1898, NY, 1900
Elias, Anna, F, 3, June 1896, Germany, 1900
Elias, Anna, F, 8, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Elias, Clara, F, 6, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905

Farrow, Mary, F, 8, United States, New York City, 1905
Ferra, Angeline, F, 10, NY, 1920
Firmans, Grace, F, 10, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Firmans, Josephine, F, 9, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Fisher, Katelene, F, 10, U.S., Buffalo NY, 1915
Fitz Gibbons, Anna, F, 12, NY, 1880
Fleming, Anna, F, 12, Oct. 1887, NY, 1900

Gail, May, F, 12, NY, 1880
Gail, Florence, F, 9, NY, 1880
Gangi, Lucy, F, 4, NY, 1930
Gauthier, Anna, F, 9, June 1890, NY, 1900
Gauthier, Irene, F, 10, June 1889, NY, 1900
Goloski, Agnes, F, 8, NY, 1930
Goloski, Delphia, F, 6, NY, 1930
Grady, Julia, F, 15, NY, 1870
Granata, Bertha, F, 10, NY, 1920
Granthen, Katie, F, 12, Canada, 1880

Granthen, Leda, F, 14, Canada, 1880
Graygoski(?), see Grzegouzuski, Belle, F, 7, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Graygosky(?), see Grzegouzuski, Sophia, F, 5, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Green, Alice, F, 11, June 1888, NY, 1900
Gresczkewicz, Vict. i.e., Victoria, F, 15, U.S., 1925
Gresczkewicz, Mary, F, 14, U.S., 1925
Gresczkewicz, Antonette, F, 17, U.S., 1925
Gresczkewicz, Antonia, F, 12, NY, 1920
Gresczkewicz, Victoria, F, 10, NY, 1920
Gresczkewicz, Mary, F, 8, NY, 1920
Greyszcwicz, Victoria, F, 5, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Greyszcwicz, Mary, F, 4, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Grzegouzuski, Belle, F, 14, NY, 1910
Grzegouzuski, Sophia, F, 9, NY, 1910
Guido, Josephine, F, 12, NY, 1930
Gustafson, Montrose, F, 13, U.S., 1925
Gustafson, Bertha, F, 10, U.S., 1925

Hall, Sophie May, F, 12, NY, 1870
Hall, Mary A., F, 10, NY, 1870
Hall, Sarah, F, 9, NY, 1870
Hall, Elisabeth, F, 7, NY, 1870
Hanlon, Agnes, F, 7, United States, New York City, 1905
Hanlon, Edward, M, 2, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Hanlon, Agnes, F, 10, NY, 1910
Harris, Jennie, F, 13, OH, 1865
Hartigan, Katie, F, 7, NY, 1860
Hartigan, James, M, 8, NY, 1860
Hartman, Catherine, F, 8, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Hartman, Louise, F, 14, United States, Dunkirk, NY, 1905
Hartman, Catharine, F, 13, NY, 1910

Hayes, Mary, F, 10, NY, 1870
Hayes, Margaret, F, 9, NY, 1870
Hayes, Margaret, F, 12, Cha, 1875
Hayes, Elizabeth, F, 18, Pennsylvania, 1910
Hevels, Margaret, F, 3, June 1896, NY, 1900
Hines, Mary, F, 6, NY, 1870
Hobbins, Florence, F, 15, United States, Kane, Pa., 1905
Holleran, Mary, F, 14, NY, 1870
Hurley, Mary, F, 13, NY, 1870
Hurley, Kate, F, 11, NY, 1870
Hurley, Nellie, F, 9, NY, 1870

Jakubczyk, Mary, F, 13, NY, 1930
Jenkins, Mary, F, 12, NY, 1870
Johnson, Rose A, F, 5, Cha, 1875
Johnson, Annie, F, 10, NY, 1880
Johnston, Jeanna, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Jones, Helen, F, 9, June 1890, NY, 1900
Jones, Helen, F, 14, United States, New York City, 1905
Jupanonicz, Anna, F, 8, NY, 1910
Jupanonicz, Mary, F, 6, NY, 1910

Kaminski, Helen, F, 9, NY, 1910
Kasola, Mary, F, 10, NY, 1910
Kendricks, Grace, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Keon, Hannah, F, 6, NY, 1870
Kinney, Dorothy, F, 14, U.S., 1925
Klein, Gertrude, F, 2, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Kolb, August, M, 16, Bavaria, 1875
Kwasniewski, Sophia, F, 6, NY, 1930
Kwasniewski, Florence, F, 11, NY, 1930

Lagrosso, Marie, F, 5, NY, 1930
Lagrosso, Nina, F, 5, NY, 1930
Langner, Sophia, F, 5, NY, 1920
Langner, Mary, F, 4, NY, 1920
Langner, Grace, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Langner, Mary, F, 9, U.S., 1925
Langner, Sophia, F, 16, NY, 1930
Langner, Mary, F, 14, NY, 1930
Lechwar, Dora, F, 4, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Lechwar, Victoria, F, 8, NY, 1920
Lechwar, Vict, F, 15, U.S., 1925
Lee, Katie, F, 12, NY, 1860
Lee, Margaret, F, 11, Cha, 1865
Lee, Margaret, F, 17, NY, 1870
Lehnan, Inez, F, 13, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Lewis, Grace, F, 11, Jany 1889, Pennsylvania, 1900
Lewis, Kate, F, 8, Oct 1891, Pennsylvania, 1900
Lombardo, Rose, F, 12, NY, 1920
Lombardo, Laura, F, 8, NY, 1920
Lombardo, Jennie, F, 7, NY, 1920
Lovejoy, Maude, F, 11, Nov. 1888, Pennsylvania, 1900
Lovejoy, Maude, F, 16, United States, Erie Pa., 1905
Lukasik, Helen, F, 10, NY, 1930
Lynch, Julia, F, 14, U.S., Jamestown NY, 1915
Lynch, Mary, F, 10, U.S., Jamestown NY, 1915

Mack, Violet Rose, F, 6, NY, 1930
Mahar, Mary, F, 16, NY, 1875
Mahnski, Victoria, F, 10, Unknown, 1910
Mangas, Jessie, F, 5, Mch 1895, NY, 1900

Mangas, Josephene, F, 5, Mch 1895, NY, 1900
Mangus, Anna, F, 7, May 1893, NY, 1900
Martyn, Georgia, F, 12, Oct. 1887, NY, 1900
Martyn, Kate, F, 7, Jany 1893, NY, 1900
Martyn, Georgianna(?), F, 15, United States, Jamestown NY, 1905
Martyn, Catherine, F, 12, United States, Jamestown NY, 1905
Matthew, Helen, F, 6, Pennsylvania, 1920
Matthews, Helen, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Matthews, Helen, F, 16, Pennsylvania, 1930
Mazany, Catherine, F, 5, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Mazany, Catharine, F, 10, NY, 1910
McConnell, Gertrude, F, 12, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
McEmode, Katie, F, 6, Pennsylvania, 1880
McEmode, Mary, F, 9, Pennsylvania, 1880
McFarland, Margaret, F, 8, OH, 1865
McGrath, Aileen, F, 17, Pennsylvania, 1930
McGraw, Marjorie, F, 14, Pennsylvania, 1930
McGraw, Marjorie, F, 10, U.S., 1925
McMooney, Mary, F, 15, Oct. 1884, Ireland, 1900
McMooney, Ellen, F, 11, May 1889, Ireland, 1900
Michonski, Elinor, F, 13, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Mohuski, Victoria, F, 15, U. S., Westfield NY, 1915
Montagno, Sarah, F, 14, U.S., 1925
Montagno, Rose, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Montagno, Rose, F, 15, NY, 1930
Montague, Mary, F, 7, Jany 1893, Pennsylvania, 1900
Montague, Teresa, F, 10, May 1890, Pennsylvania, 1900
Montague, Ethel, F, 16, United States, Benezette, Pa., 1905
Montague, Teresa, F, 12, United States, Benezette, Pa., 1905
Monticello, Mary, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Monticello, Mary, F, 14, NY, 1930

Morrisey, Sophia, F, 4, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Mullane, Mary, F, 12, NY, 1880
Mullane, Margaret, F, 5, NY, 1880
Mullaney, Helen, F, 4, NY, 1910
Mullaney, Maria, F, 9, NY, 1910
Murray, Cornelus M, 3, "Min Penn", 1880

Nardine, Victoria, F, 12, April 1888, NY, 1900
Newton, Mabel, F, 15, May 1885, Pennsylvania, 1900
Notti, Carmilla, F, 11, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Notti, Mary, F, 8, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Nowaczyk, Mary, F, 14, NY, 1920
Nowaczyk, Clara, F, 12, NY, 1920
Noworal, Cath., F, 15, U.S., 1925
Noworal, Helen, F, 12, U.S., 1925
Noworal, Estella, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Noworal, Helen, F, 14, NY, 1930
Noworal, Katherine, F, 19, NY, 1930
Noworal, Estella, F, 16, NY, 1930

O'Brien, Mary, F, 11, NY, 1880
O'Brien, Sarah, F, 9, NY, 1880
O' Rourke, Catharine, F, 12, Pennsylvania, 1910

Parenteau, Teresa C. , F, 4, NY, 1930
Paternito, Mary, F, 11, Italy, 1920
Paternito, Josephine, F, 7, Italy, 1920
Paternito, Sebastina, F, 5, Italy, 1920
Patterson, Marg't, F, 15, U.S., 1925
Patterson, Agnes, F, 9, U.S., 1925
Pattison, Margaret, F, 18, NY, 1930

Pattison, Agnes, F, 13, NY, 1930
Paul, Mary, F, 5, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Paul, James, M, 3, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Paxton, Hazel, F, 9, NY, 1910
Phillips, Edna, F, 13, NY, 1930
Phillips, Helen, F, 8, NY, 1930
Piazza, Evelyn, F, 10, Unknown, 1910 [poss Piaggia or Piazza]
Pierce, Carrie, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Pierce, Doris, F, 16, NY, 1930
Pierce, Carrie, F, 15, NY, 1930
Pochylska, Dorothy, F, 12, NY, 1930
Pochylska, Blanche, F, 14, NY, 1930
Polinski, Agnes, F, 16, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Polinski, Nellie, F, 13, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Price, Dorothy, F, 12 U.S., 1925
Przybla, Josephine, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Przybla, Stella, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Przybyla, Stella, F, 14, NY, 1930
Przybyla, Josephine, F, 15, NY, 1930

Quinn, Elisabeth, F, 12, NY, 1870
Quirk, Agnes, F, 11, Oct. 1888, NY, 1900

Raeon, Justina, F, 11, NY, 1930
Reed, Mabel, F, 9, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Reily, Alice, F8, Canada, 1880
Riley, Genevieve, F, 11, NY, 1920
Riley, Genevieve, F, 15, U.S., 1925
Roesch, Alice, F, 13, United States, Fredonia NY, 1905
Roesch, Lily, F, 7, United States, Fredonia NY, 1905
Rogan, Catherine, F, 11, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905

Rogers, Margaret, F, 9, NY, 1910
Romero, Leonora, F, 13, Colombia S.A., 1930
Roszczak, Beatrise[sic], F, 8, NY, 1920
Roszczak, Bernice, F, 4, NY, 1920
Roszczak, Elizabeth, F, 2, NY, 1920
Rueckert, Mabel, F, 9, NY, 1910
Russell, Lillian, F, 5, NY, 1930
Ryan, Gladys, F, 10, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Ryan, Gladys, F, 15, Unknown, 1910
Rzneck, Stella, F, 18, U.S., 1925
Rzneck, Helen, F, 5, U.S., 1925

Safrac, Sophia, F, 4, NY, 1920
Sanndey, Ellen, F, 5, NY, 1880
Sasso, Mary, F, 4, U.S., 1925
Schanck, Dorothy, F, 10, U.S., 1925
Schrader, Bertha, F, 19, NY, 1880
Schwin, Agnes, F, 16, United States, Jamestown NY, 1905
Scott, Elizabeth, F, 14, U.S, Denver, CO, 1915
Sell, Mary, F, 15, Jany 1885, NY, 1900
Serra, Teresa, F, 10, NY, 1920
Shean, Mary, F, 16, NY, 1870
Shehan, Mary, F, 13, Erie Co., 1865
Shehan, Elizabeth, F, 16, Feb. 1884, NY, 1900
Shiva, Verna, F, 17, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Shiva, Mabel, F, 13, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Shiva, Victoria, F, 11, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Smith, Clara, F, 7, NY, 1880
Smith, Mary, F, 9, NY, 1880
Smith, Helen, F, 14, U.S., Dunkirk NY, 1915
Snyder, Gertrude, F, 12, Mch1888, NY, 1900

Sobieski, Cecilia, F, 13, NY, 1920
Solinski, Katie, F, 13, Poland, 1880
Solinski, Thomas, M, 10, Poland, 1880
Spencer, Doris, F, 4, NY, 1920
Subkoviak, Eleanor, F, 11, NY, 1930
Subkovicak, Teresa, F, 6, NY, 1920
Subkovicak, Edna, F, 9, NY, 1920
Subkowiak, Florence, F, 9, NY, 1930
Subkowak, Helen, F, 6, NY, 1930
Sullivan, Anna, F, 7, Cha, 1865
Sullivan, Nellie, F, 5, Cha, 1865
Sullivan, Mary, F, 2, United States, Dunkirk NY, 1905
Sullivan, Mary, F, 17, NY, 1920
Sullivan, Patricia, F, 3, NY, 1930
Suxie, Terrazia, F, 14, Poland, 1880
Suxie, Julia, F, 10, Poland, 1880

Transeht, Mary, F, 14, U.S., 1925
Trusso, Santino, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Trusso, Santina, F, 15, Italy, 1930
Trusso, Signorino, F, 3, NY, 1920

Utegg, Augusta, F, 3, Unknown, 1910

Vitali, Anna, F, 11, NY, 1920
Vitali, Rose, F, 8, NY, 1920
Vitali, Josephine, F, 4, NY, 1920
Vitali, Angeline, F, 2, NY, 1920

Wagner, Lily, F, 12, NY, 1910
Waring(?), Gertrude, F, 10, Jany 1890, NY, 1900

Watrous, Marg't, F, 13, U.S., 1925
Way, Pearl H., F, 9, U.S., Jamestown NY, 1915
Weaver, Sarah, F, 13, Dec. 1886, Pennsylvania, 1900
Whitmarsh, Anna, F, 15, Unknown, 1910

Yachatta, Rose, F, 13, NY, 1930
Yachatta, Josephine, F, 14, NY, 1930
Yachatta, Josephine, F, 11, U.S., 1925
Yachatta, Rose, F, 9, U.S., 1925
Yachatta, Mamie(?), F, 13, U.S., 1925
Young, Catharine, F, 15, May 1885, NY, 1900

Zimmerman, Fredenska, F, 7, NY, 1910
Zimmerman, Evelyn, F, 5, NY, 1910
Zimmerman, Frederica, F, 3, NY, 1910