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**Inventory of the
Henry Grant Papers, 1964 - 1990**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Henry Grant Papers,
Dates:	1964 - 1990
Creator:	Grant, Henry Lacy.
Abstract:	<p>Henry Lacy Grant (1925-1990) was born in North Augusta, Georgia to Henry L. Grant and Lillie Lacy Grant. An ordained Episcopal priest, Father Grant served the East Side community of Charleston, South Carolina for over twenty years as director of St. John's Mission Center and priest of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Father Grant is buried at Live Oak Memorial Gardens in Charleston, South Carolina.</p> <p>The collection consists of correspondence, newspaper clippings, compilations, and miscellaneous papers related to Grant's work in the Episcopal Church and in the East Side of Charleston, including information regarding black Episcopalians in the United States, conferences for the Diocese of South Carolina, papers regarding St. John's Mission Center (at old St. John's Episcopal Church, Charleston) and its financial status, various outreach programs, papers regarding the renovation (1980s) of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, and papers regarding the various civic and social organizations of which Grant was a member. Photographs depict Grant at work among his parishioners and include photographs of his friends and associates, including an autographed photo of South Carolina Representative James Clyburn.</p>
Extent:	1.5 linear feet(3 archival boxes)
Repository:	Avery Research Center at the College of Charleston
Call Number:	AMN 1011
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Biographical Note

Henry Lacy Grant (1925-1990), son of Henry L. Grant and Lillie Lacy Grant, was born in North Augusta, Georgia. A graduate of Haines Normal and Industrial Institute in Augusta, GA he attended Voorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina, served in the United States Army during World War II and continued his education at Johnson C. Smith University where he graduated in 1948. After earning a master's degree in political science from the University of Iowa, he earned a Bachelor's of Divinity from Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary. An ordained Episcopal priest, Father Grant served the East Side community of Charleston, South Carolina for over twenty years as director of St. John's Mission Center and priest of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Father Grant died in 1990 and is buried at Live Oak Memorial Gardens in Charleston, South Carolina.

Collection Overview

1. Biographical Papers

2. Episcopal Church Papers
3. St. John's Mission Center
4. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
5. Affiliations
6. Correspondence
7. Photographs

Collection Arrangement

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See also video tape in Avery's Video Collection "Father Henry Grant, St. John's Episcopal Mission Center."

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Subject Headings

African American clergy -- South Carolina -- Charleston.

African American Episcopalians -- South Carolina.

African Americans -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- History.

African Americans -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- Societies, etc.

Allison, C. FitzSimons (Christopher FitzSimons), 1927-

Anderson, Leroy, Fetter Center director.
Boy Scouts of America. Coastal Carolina Council.
Camp Baskerville (S.C.) -- History.
Carolina Youth Development Center.
Charities -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- History.
Charleston County Economic Opportunities Commission.
Citizens and Southern National Bank.
Clyburn, James.
Conroy, John F.
Episcopal Church -- Clergy.
Faith Memorial Mission (Georgetown, S.C.)
Grant, Henry Lacy, 1925-1990.
Grant, Lillie Lacy.
Haines Normal and Industrial Institute. Alumni Association.
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation. Charleston Chapter.
Old Storm Branch Baptist Church (Clearwater, S.C.)
Police brutality -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Poor -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- History.
Sea Island Health Care Corporation.
St. John's Episcopal Church (Charleston, S.C.)
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church (Charleston, S.C.)
St. John's Mission Center (Charleston, S.C.)
Voorhees College.
West, John C. (John Clifford), 1922-

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Biographical Papers, 1973-1986

Box 1 Folder 1 Vitae and funeral programs, 1975-1986

With funeral program of Lillie Lacy Grant; souvenir booklet from the Old Storm Branch Baptist in Clearwater, South Carolina for the post bicentennial anniversary, with pictures of Grant; and printed programs from the Centennial Reunion of the Haines Normal and Industrial Institute Alumni Association.

Box 1 Folder 2 Miscellaneous printed matter, 1978

Includes photocopies of newspaper clippings about Grant, programs and newsletter regarding speeches given by Grant, and copy of the Congressional Record containing newspaper article about Grant.

Box 1 Folder 3 Certificates and awards

Given to Grant by fraternal, religious, and other organizations.

Box 1 Folder 4 Miscellaneous papers, 1973

Includes Grant's appointment calendar and drawings by children.

2. Episcopal Church Papers, 1963-1985

Box 1 Folder 5 Various lists regarding Black Episcopalians in the United States, 1976-1985

Box 1 Folder 6 Lists of historically black colleges and universities with Episcopal Campus Ministries

Box 1 Folder 7 Church conferences and conventions, 1982

Box 1 Folder 8 Cursillo, 1983

Includes letters, postcards, bookmarks and song booklets for the three-day weekend retreat sponsored by the Episcopal Church to develop evangelistic skills among lay members and clergy.

Box 1 Folder 9 Ordinations within Episcopal Church, 1980-1983

Includes ordination of Christopher F. Allison as Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Box 1 Folder 10 Miscellaneous papers, 1963-1979

Includes programs, marriage certificate, eulogy, and damaged plat of Faith Memorial Mission in Georgetown County with newsletter article.

3. St. John's Mission Center Papers, 1966-1982

Box 2 Folder 1 St. John's general information, 1973-1980

Includes printed program for its dedication service, certified copy of Corporation Account, list of Board of Directors, and information regarding staff experience and qualifications.

Box 2 Folder 2 Miscellaneous correspondence

		Includes letters regarding Grant and beneficiaries and employees of St. John's Mission
Box 2 Folder 3	Donation information, 1966-1982	
		Includes receipts for clothing purchased for beneficiaries of St. John's and letters from donors and thank you notes for donations to St. John's.
Box 2 Folder 4	Miscellaneous financial papers	
		Material related to tax exemption and annual budgets; guidelines for bookkeeping; and correspondence regarding financial agreements with the Charleston County Economic Opportunity Commission (OEO) and the Charleston Youth Services Bureau; and funding from various grant sources.
Box 2 Folder 5	Adult Daycare and Senior Citizens Programs, 1979	
		Includes printed program for dedication, correspondence regarding funding, papers regarding government standards for licensing, service provision logs with names of clients, and memo of understanding with Charleston OEO for loan of bus.
Box 2 Folder 6	Manpower Projects, Job Training Program, and Child Development Center, 1978	
		Includes letter to Lonnie Hamilton (Chairman, Charleston County Council) regarding continuation of manpower projects; with organizational chart for St. John's.
Box 2 Folder 7	Talent Search, Upward Bound Programs and Boy Scouts Program, 1978	
		For youth education and empowerment; includes applications for federal assistance; grant proposals for physical improvement of St. John's and of Camp Baskerville on Pawley's Island; and charter and Pack Roster for Cub Scout group.
Box 2 Folder 8	Camp Baskerville: Operation Compenso	
		A residential summer program for low-income youth, includes descriptions of program, blank application forms, list of prospective staff members, curriculum proposal for an individualized math program for Operation Compenso, articles from educational magazines and Episcopalian newsletter, and handwritten tribute to Grant.
Box 2 Folder 9	Operation Compenso: Correspondence, 1977	
		Includes letters to and from universities interested in sending students to staff the program, letter to U.S. Department of Agriculture contesting an unfavorable evaluation of the program's food services, and letters to schools and parents of campers.
Box 2 Folder 10	South Carolina Department of Social Services (DSS): Title XX Funds, 1978-1980	
		Includes application proposal and acceptance letter for Title XX Funds, amendment to 1978 contract between St. John's and DSS, and Transcript Record of court case involving St. John's and DSS regarding alleged DSS breach of contract for provision of technical services.
Box 2 Folder 11	Printed material	
		Includes magazine article and photocopied clippings regarding impact of Grant and St. John's on Charleston's Eastside community.

Box 2 Folder 12 Miscellaneous papers, 1970

Includes brief history of the East Side prepared for a City of Charleston's grant proposal, map of East Side, and demographic statistics for the East Side

4. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Papers, undated

Box 3 Folder 1 St. Stephen's Renovation

Includes construction bids submitted by H. A. De Costa and other companies.

Box 3 Folder 2 Correspondence and paperwork regarding grants for renovation of St. Stephen's

Given by the South Carolina Department of Archives and History and the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina.

Box 3 Folder 3 Miscellaneous papers regarding financial status and church membership of St Stephen's.

5. Affiliations, 1972-1984

Box 3 Folder 4 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Athenians Club, and Rotary Club, 1984

Includes clipping of Kappa's Corner; membership roster of Athenians Club, and Rotary Club receipt.

Box 3 Folder 5 Charleston County Economic Opportunity Commission (OEO), 1972-1974

Includes copy of OEO grant to the Medical University of South Carolina for operation of Franklin C. Fetter Family Health Center and related correspondence including letter of resignation of Leroy Anderson, Fetter Center director.

Box 3 Folder 6 Sea Island Health Care Corporation, 1975-1978

Includes list of board members and copy of the Continuation Proposal for Comprehensive Health Services for the Five Sea Islands of Charleston County, South Carolina.

Box 3 Folder 7 Board Correspondences

Regarding boards on which Grant served: Citizens and Southern National Bank of South Carolina, Voorhees College, Metro Charleston Chapter of the March of Dimes, Carolina Youth Development Center.

6. Correspondence, 1972-1982

Box 3 Folder 8 Miscellaneous correspondence, 1972-1982

Includes thank you letters to Grant and letter to Bill Saunders of the Committee on Better Racial Assurance (COBRA) from Chief of Police John Conroy denying police brutality; with unrelated police report.

7. Photographs, undated

Box 3 Folder 9 Various photographs

Includes an autographed photo of Representative James Clyburn with South Carolina Governor John C. West, numerous photos of Grant at work among his parishioners, photos

of children and counselors and teachers involved in summer programs and kindergarten class, photos of Grant with friends and associates including members of the Athenian Club, photos of a damaged tombstone in graveyard of St. John's Mission Center, and photos from Grant's funeral.