

# Records of St John's Boys Town

1941? – 1984?

**To access these records:**

Please contact the Archivist, Salesians of Don Bosco Province Centre Archives:

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**Records Location**

These records are held by [Salesians of Don Bosco, Province Centre Archives \(1922? - current\)](#)

## Details

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According to the Archivist, the Salesians of Don Bosco Province Centre Archives holds only limited information regarding the running of St John's Boys Town, and no personal records of former residents of the Home. The Archivist regrets that he does not know of the location of personal files relating to former residents.

## Access Conditions

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## Records

The Records of St John's Boys Town contain some correspondence relating to negotiations regarding the Salesian presence at Brooklyn Park. These include correspondence from Archbishop Matthew Beovich to the Salesians whose religious leadership was in Victoria; and letters from the Salesian 'higher authorities' in the United States and in Italy. The latter are from the time of the Pacific War when overseas communications were restricted. Some letters are in Italian and some in English.

## More info

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### Organisations in these records

**Related Organisations**

- [St John the Baptist Home for Boys \(1898 - 1941\)](#)
- [St John's Boys Town \(1941 - 1954\)](#)
- [The Boarding section of the Salesian School \(1954 - 1984\)](#)

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