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COALITION FOR NETWORKED INFORMATION PROJECT BRIEFING - November 13, 2020

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Catholic Research Resources Alliance

50 Members and Partners

- Academic libraries: Notre Dame, Gonzaga, etc.
- Religious congregation and diocesan archives.

Mission

• Provide enduring global access to Catholic research resources.

• Independent 501c3

- What We Do
 - Catholic Portal: vufind.catholicresearch.org
 - Research guides: guides.catholicresearch.org

Online resources on subjects related to Catholic studies.

- Catholic News Archive: <u>thecatholicnewsarchive.org</u>
- Resource sharing:

 www.catholicresearch.org/resource sharing-forum

Catholic News

- Unique digital collection of North American
 Catholic newspapers
- Freely available to users

- Over half a million pages from 17 papers
- 75,000 users projected in 2020

 Robust searching, easy browsing, mobilefriendly

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ADVISOR REVIEWS—STANDARD REVIEW

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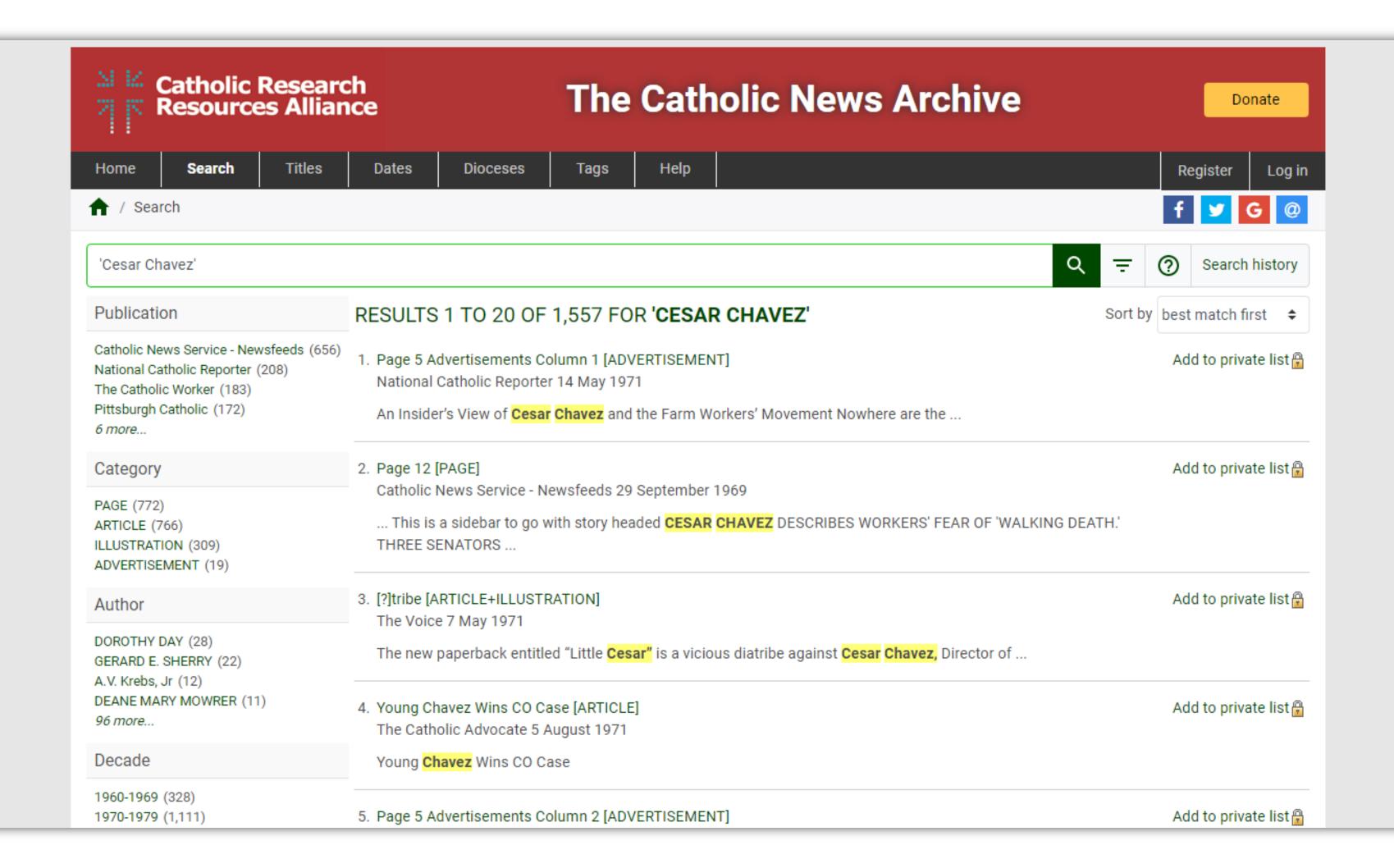
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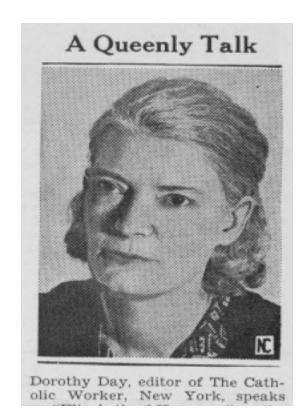
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Development strategies



The Catholic World in Pictures, 13 April 1940

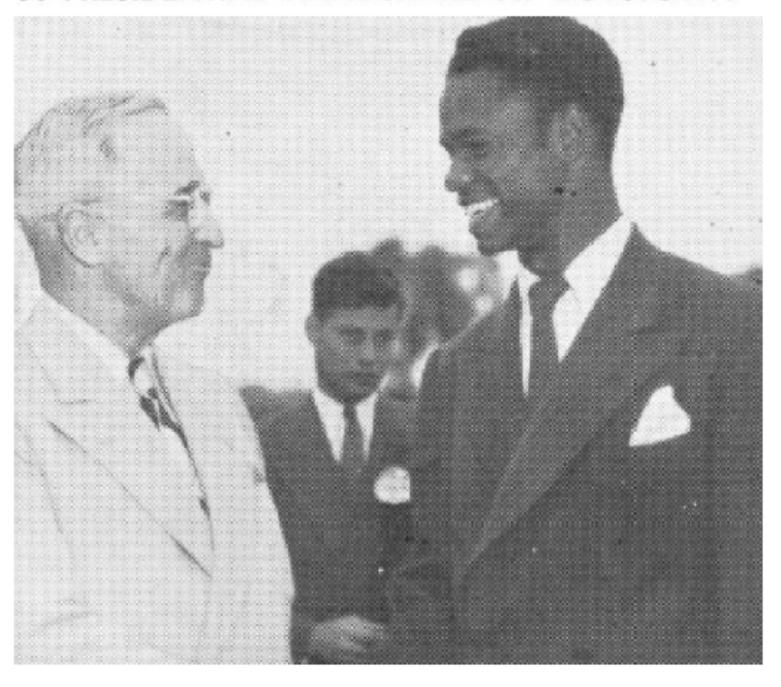
- Designed for research
- Online access in perpetuity
- Open access (CC-BY-NC)
- Inclusion of diverse Catholic voices: Clergy, Lay, Migrant, Black and Socialist communities

- Ensure institutions with limited resources can participate
- Partnerships for permissions, content, governance, funding
- Contribute to the common good
- Collection management

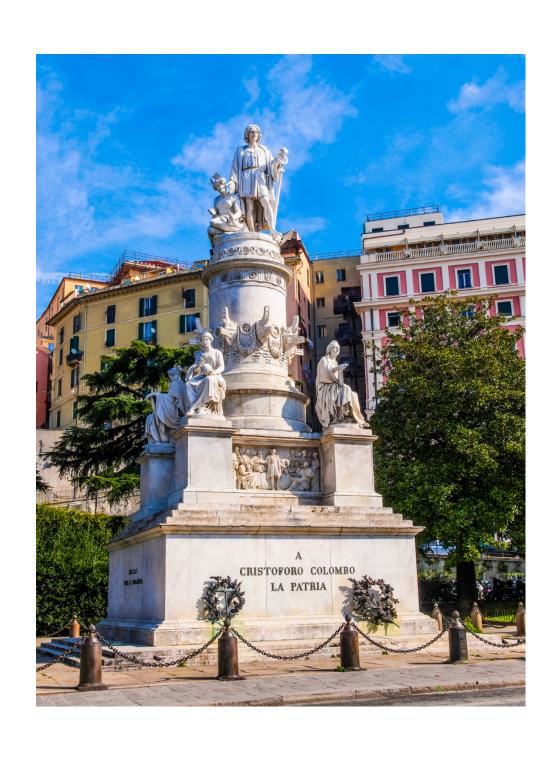
Partnership strategies

- Permissions: Newspaper publishers
- Content: Cultural heritage (diocesan archives), libraries
- Governance: CRRA members (vote) and partner (advice)
- Funding Founding institutions and grants
- Together creating a common good

A PRESIDENTIAL HANDSHAKE AT BOYSTOWN



The Catholic World in Pictures, 11 June 1948



Research value of the

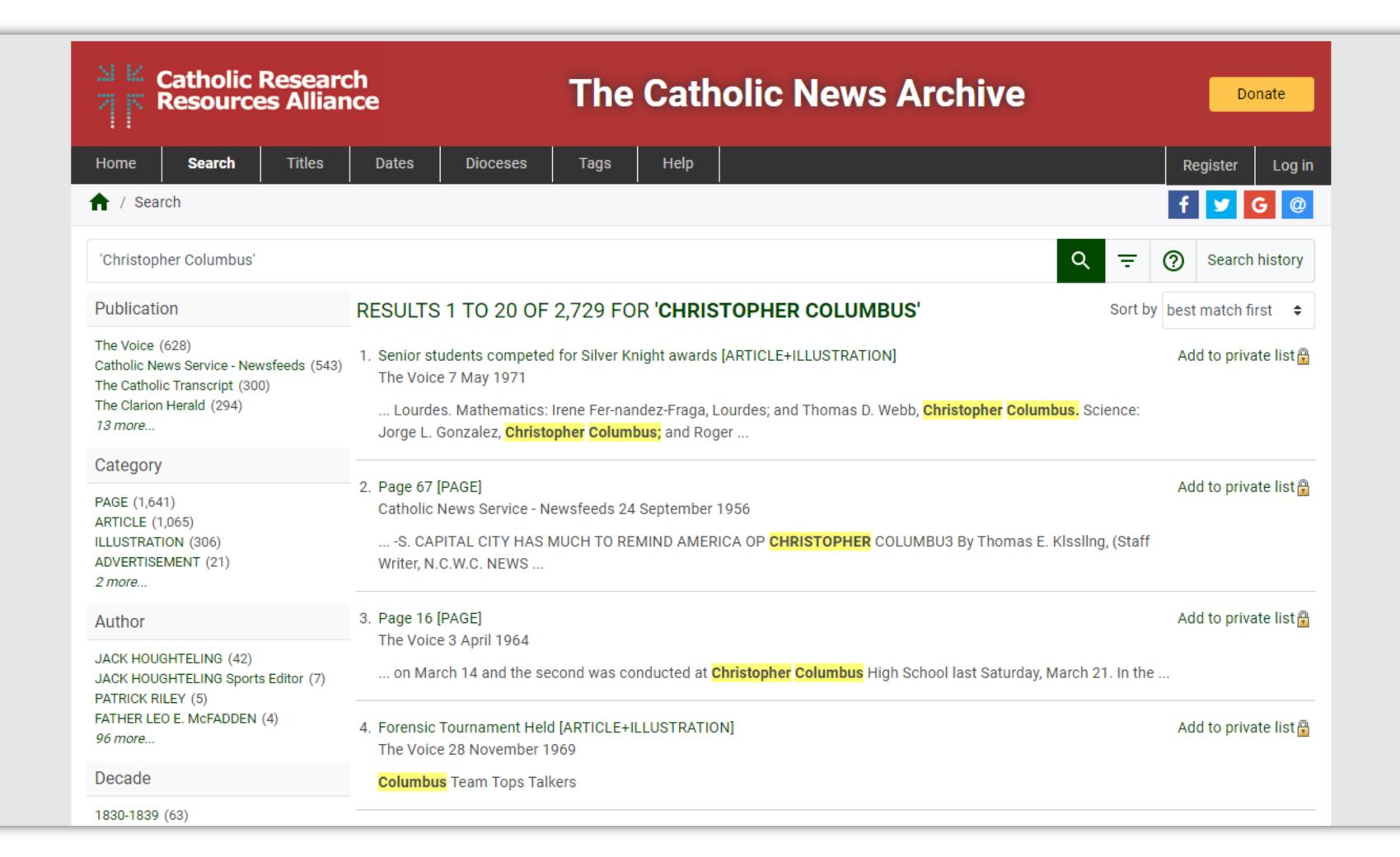
• Civil rights, race, monuments and memory, health care, nuclear disarmament, city

life, women suffrage

 Margaret Sanger, Andy Warhol, Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Hitler, Pope Francis, Cesar Chavez, Christopher Columbus

 Accurate, insightful reporting of Catholic perspective





Collection management strategy

- Governance by the CRRA community
- Digitization
- Digital preservation
- Access (distributed)
- Enhanced value in an aggregated collection
- Bottom line: management via a trusted repository



Future direction: Digital

Scholarship

Continuing growth in content

Foster new lines of inquiry

 Engaging beyond the Catholic network

Text mining/bulk downloading

Develop research guide

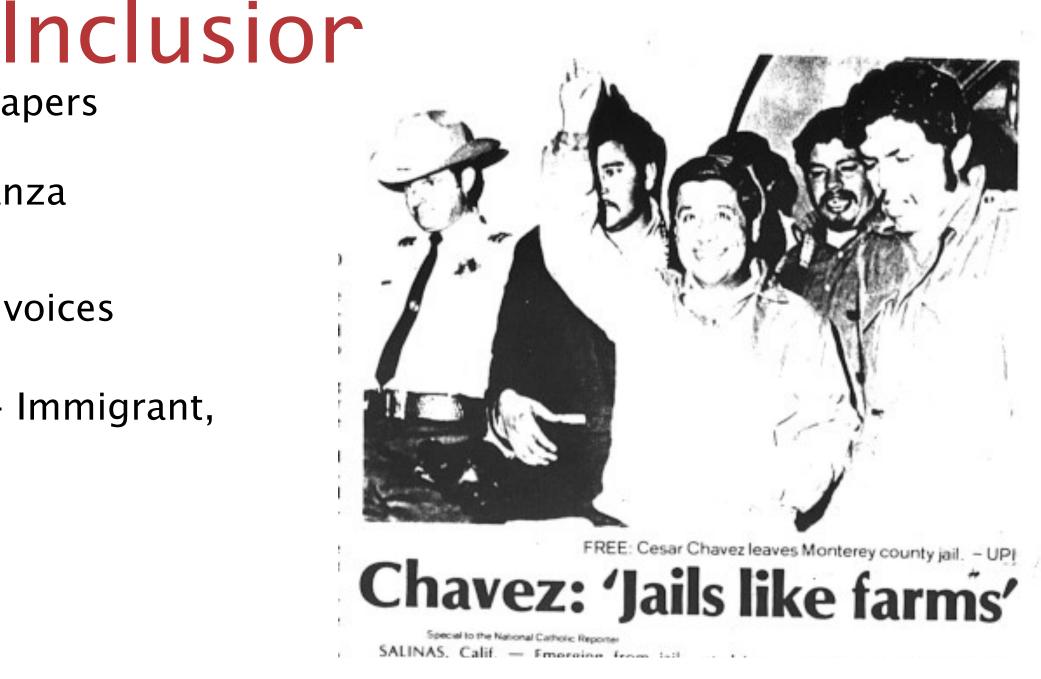
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Future direction: Expand

Current

- Catholic clergy diocesan newspapers
- National Catholic lay papers
- Migrant communities La Esperanza
- Socialist Catholic Worker
- Expand underrepresented Catholic voices
 - Student newspapers
 - Underrepresented communities Immigrant, Black Catholic, Native American



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Thank you for joining us!

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