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The papers of Ruth Boylston Heaney, Benedictine sister of Our Lady of Peace Monastery in Columbia, Missouri. Widow of Larry Heaney (founder of the Milwaukee Catholic Worker) and a social activist, Heaney raised her six children on a Catholic Worker farm in Starkenburg, Missouri. She volunteered with the Benedictine sisters and eventually joined the order in 1979. Includes correspondence with prisoners, notebooks, and limited photographs.

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NOTE: As a prisoner advocate, Sister Ruth Heaney corresponded throughout her career with prisoners incarcerated in Missouri penal institutions and with government officials regarding prison reform.

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