

St. Clair County History Research and Resources: A Genealogist's Guide

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- Baptist, Catholic (see Roman Catholic), Christian
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