



Out of the Ashes of Paris

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Objective: Learn how to use the Parish Archives website, search in post-1860 Paris, and find information for pre-1860 Paris.

Case Study: Claude Monet

Research Goal: Find the birth and marriage information, and parents' names.		
Type of information	Known information	Actual information
Birth	In Paris	
Married	Abt 1871 in Paris to Camille Doncieux	
Parents	?	

Things to Remember about Paris

- Jurisdictions
 - Paris is divided into 20 sections called Arrondissements.
- Record searches are similar to other Départements during the post-1860 era.
- **Always** look at the Tables Décennales!
- You will want the surname (*nom*) of the person you are researching.

Researching in pre-1860 Paris

There are many types of substitute records available for researching. Here are some collections that can be beneficial for finding those pre-1860 Parisian ancestors:

- **Fichiers de l'état civil reconstitué (Reconstructed Civil Registration Cards).** These are found on the Paris Archives website. - <http://archives.paris.fr/s/5/etat-civil-reconstitue/>
- **Ancestry.com Paris Collections.** This requires an Ancestry subscription. - http://search.ancestry.com/search/cardcatalog.aspx#ccat=hc=25&dbSort=1&sbo=1&filter=1*1652381%7C1*5087%7C1*30317%7C1*202091&
- **Andriveau Collection.** This is only available on microfilm and it cannot be circulated to Europe. - <https://familysearch.org/search/catalog/146766>
- **Mayet Collection.** This is found online and covers 1795-1862. - http://www.geneanet.org/archives/relevés/search_etat_civil.php?clef=dep_a9&ref=fraidff75paris12&lang=fr
- **Projet Familles Parisiennes.** This has many links to collections dedicated for helping

reconstruct Parisian Families. - <https://www.famillesparisiennes.org/>

- **Geneawiki, Au delà de l'Etat-Civil – 75 – Registres Paroissiaux.** This website has multiple resources but one very important page includes the links for the Parish Records of Paris. - [https://fr.geneawiki.com/index.php/Au_del%C3%A0_de_l%27Etat-Civil - 75 - _Registres_Paroissiaux](https://fr.geneawiki.com/index.php/Au_del%C3%A0_de_l%27Etat-Civil_-_75_-_Registres_Paroissiaux)