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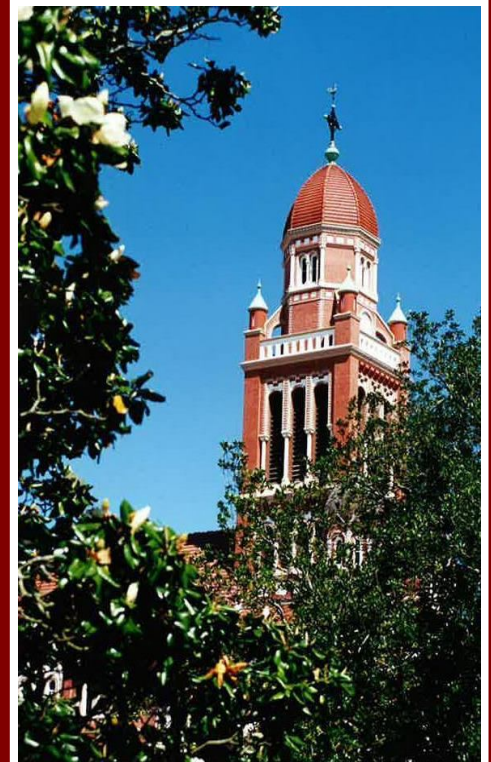
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FRIENDS
OF THE MUSEUM
OF
ST. JOHN
THE EVANGELIST

Our parish has a hidden treasure--the Museum of St. John The Evangelist--which is housed in the Cathedral Center. This small Museum contains artifacts of the history of our parish, former bishops and priests, Ambassador Caffery, antique liturgical vessels and vestments, along with the Gueno-Hanley Presepio Collection that is on permanent loan to us through the generosity of Jeffery Gueno.

The Presepio, an 18th Century Neapolitan creche, is one of the finest and most extensive collections of presepio art in the United States. While this collection is a well-kept secret in this area, it has been written up in prominent magazines such as "Art and Antiques," "The Smithsonian," "Miniature Collector," and "Creche Herald."

The Museum currently depends on memberships in the FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM, admission fees and grants to cover expenses. Grants and admission fees are unreliable. Because of the gulf oil spill and the economy fewer people are touring this area and many of our expenses have increased.



FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM was established in 2006 as a non-profit organization in order to provide financial support for the Museum. Membership in the FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM enables you to visit the Museum as often as you would like. There are several levels of membership available:

***PATRON--Annual dues, \$100.
Entitles a patron to unlimited visits.
Patrons could bring up to four guests
on each visit.***

***FAMILY/GRANDPARENTS--Annual dues, \$40.
Entitles a family to unlimited visits
and four guest passes.***

***INDIVIDUAL--Annual dues. \$20.
Entitles an individual to unlimited visits
and two guest passes.***

Many visitors and our volunteers who staff the Museum state that it takes several viewings to appreciate all of the detail in the Presepio and the artifacts of the parish. Membership in the FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM would enable you to visit the Museum as often as you would like.

To join, complete the membership application in this brochure and return it with your dues. You may deposit the membership application in the collection basket at any weekend Mass or bring it to the receptionist at the Cathedral Center.

Please consider joining the FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM OF ST. JOHN THE EVALGELIST. We want YOU to learn more about our secret treasure!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

Patron _____ (\$100) Family/Grandparents _____ (\$40) Individual _____ (\$20)

Please make checks out to "Friends of St. John Evangelist Museum."
Return membership application and your check in the enclosed envelope
to the Cathedral Center or drop it in the collection basket.