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Summary Information

Repository	The Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute
Creator	Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Title	Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch records
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1976-1996
Date [inclusive]	1974-1998 inclusive, 1976-1996 bulk
Extent	5.0 Linear feet (8 document cases and one tape reel)
Language	English
Abstract	The Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary records contain meeting minutes, newsletters, papers, pamphlets, and a variety of documents and multimedia materials documenting the history and activities of the ESBVM/USA, a group that exists to promote ecumenical devotion and advance the study of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Preferred Citation

Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch records, 1974-1998.
Marian Library, University of Dayton Libraries, Dayton, Ohio.

History of the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch

The Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch (ESBVM/USA) was formed in 1976 in the Washington, D.C. area. The society was modeled after the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded in 1967 in the United Kingdom. The idea for establishing a United States Branch was realized by Monsignor John J. Murphy, who attended an ESBVM meeting in Birmingham, England in 1975. In collaboration with a steering committee of eight clergymen, the first assembly was held on April 29, 1976. As a result of the second meeting held on October 23, 1976, the title and goals of the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the United Kingdom were adopted. The first officers were elected at the fourth meeting, held on November 5, 1977. They included William Cardinal Baum (Honorary President), Dr. Donald Dawe (President), Msgr. John J. Murphy, Fr. George DeTrana, Dr. Reginald Fuller (Vice Presidents), and Msgr. Eugene G. Bilski (Secretary/Treasurer).

The society exists to advance the study of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Church, under Christ and to promote ecumenical devotion, with prayer, study, and fellowship as core activities. Their aim is to show that, in the Blessed Virgin Mary, Christians of many traditions may find a focus in their search for unity.

The society hosts bi-annual meetings, traditionally held in the spring and fall, at which formal papers on Marian and ecumenical topics are given and discussed. The society is Registered Charity # 282748.

Scope and Contents

This collection documents the activities and history of the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch (ESBVM/USA). It contains the organizational records of the society including newsletters, membership and mailing lists, meeting minutes, agendas, constitution, financial records, correspondence, pamphlets, conference papers, newspaper clippings, prayers, periodicals, photographs, and multimedia including tape, cassette, and diskettes. The audio materials in this collection are recordings of ESBVM/USA conference speakers.

The collection also includes 1 box of newsletters, pamphlets, and promotional materials relating to the International Ecumenical Conference and the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United Kingdom.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

The Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute, 2011

Revision Description

May 2013

Access to Materials

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Acquisition Information

Donated by the Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, United States Branch in 2009.

Processing Information

This collection was processed by Jillian Slater in 2011.

Search Terms

Subject(s)

- Christian union
- Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary--Archives
- International Ecumenical Conference
- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint, and Christian union
- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Societies, etc.

Requirements

This collection contains audio and data storage materials that may require special equipment. The collection contains 1 plastic reel magnetic tape, 2 tape reels, 1 cassette tape, and two floppy disks.

Collection Inventory

Box	Folder	
1	1	Correspondence, 1974-1977
1	2	Correspondence, 1978
1	3	Correspondence, 1979-1980
1	4	Correspondence, 1981-1982
1	5	Correspondence, 1983-1984
1	6	Correspondence, 1985-1986
2	1	Correspondence, 1987-1991
2	2	Correspondence, 1992-1995
2	3	Correspondence, 1996-1998
2	4	Correspondence-Father Boeddeker, 1975-1987
2	5	Correspondence--Prospective Membership, 1976-1986
2	6	Newsletters, 1977-1996
3	1	Constitution and related documents, 1976-1981
3	2	Meeting minutes and agendas, 1976-1994
3	3	Meeting notes, 1977-1985
3	4	Executive Committee minutes and memos, 1977-1996
3	5	Membership and officer lists, 1977-1994
3	6	Member surveys and forms, 1980-1982
4	1	Miscellaneous documents--financial, travel, resumes, copyrights, indexes, bibliographies, 1977-1994
4	2	Prayers, 1977-1994
4	3	Publicity, press, clippings, 1977-1994
4	4	ESBVM pamphlets, 1978-1994
4	5	ESBVM pamphlets, 1978-1994
4	6	Photographs and floppy disks, 1974-1994
5	1	Related events, 1976-1996
5	2	Related pamphlets, 1976-1996
5	3	Periodicals, 2 tape reels, 1 cassette tape, 1976-1996
6	1	Papers, 1977-1998
6	2	Papers, 1977-1998

6	3	Papers, 1977-1998
6	4	Papers, 1977-1998
7	1	Papers, 1977-1998
7	2	Papers, 1977-1998
7	3	Papers, 1977-1998
7	4	Papers, 1977-1998
8	1	ESBVM/UK newsletters, 1970-1995
8	2	ESBVM/UK documents, 1979-1995
8	3	ESBVM/UK documents and pamphlets, 1979-1996
Reel		
1		Plastic reel magnetic tape--Dr. Arthur Crabtree, <i>Grace, Merit, and Mary</i> , 1977