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# **Guide to the Marian apparitions collection, circa 1940-present ML.035**

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## Summary Information

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|-------------------|--|
| <b>Repository</b> | The Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute   |
| <b>Creator</b>    | Marian Library   |
| <b>Title</b>      | Marian apparitions collection  |
| <b>Date</b>       | circa 1940-present   |
| <b>Extent</b>     | 15.0 Linear feet   |
| <b>Language</b>   | Multiple languages   |
| <b>Abstract</b>   | <p>This collection contains correspondence, personal accounts, articles, newsletters, photographs, audio recordings, artifacts, and ephemera documenting reported Marian apparitions in the United States and around the world. The collection primarily includes material related to apparitions in the 20th century from circa 1980 to circa 2000. The collection contains some material dealing with the major, approved Marian apparitions (for example, Fátima and Lourdes), but its focus is documentation of the hundreds of reported apparitions that are mostly unapproved.</p> |

### Preferred Citation

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## History of the Marian Library

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The Marian Library was founded by Marianists of the University of Dayton in 1943 to make the Blessed Virgin Mary better known, loved, and served. It is a special library whose presence on campus is a significant expression of the university's Catholic and Marianist identity. Its collections are developed and maintained to preserve and provide access to materials that support its mission of fostering Marian scholarship and sound Marian devotion.

The Marian Library is recognized both nationally and internationally as a center for scholarship on the Blessed Virgin Mary. It serves the research needs of faculty and students of the International Marian Research Institute, the broader University of Dayton community, and of visitors throughout the world. It also documents the diverse expressions of Marian devotion, and it provides public outreach through exhibits, tours, and reference services.

For more information on the Marian Library, please see the website of the International Marian Research Institute.

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## Scope and Contents

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Although the collection contains some material dealing with the major, approved Marian apparitions (for example, Fátima and Lourdes), its focus is rather on documenting the hundreds of reported apparitions that are mostly unapproved. These include, for example, claims that are uninvestigated, under review, or which the bishop has made no decision regarding the supernatural character of the event.

Documents in the collection primarily include messages received by the visionaries or seers, news articles or publicity related to the apparition, and some newsletters or printed ephemera published by an organization promoting the apparition or a related Marian devotion.

Photographs in the collection include both original and reproduced images, most of which have been captured by amateur photographers. The photographs include, for example, images of clouds, plants and flowers, individuals, groups, statues, or artwork in which a miraculous image or event has been identified. The photographs are often accompanied by an interpretation or description of the miraculous image or event.

Audio recordings in the collection primarily include homilies, presentations, and interviews related to Marian apparitions.

Artifacts in the collection include items used in religious services related to an apparition (primarily from Lubbock, Texas), as well as items that were claimed to be part of a miraculous event including, for example, rose petals with Mary's image, glitter, feathers, and holy water.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

The Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute

### Access

This collection is open and available to the public for research in the Marian Library reading room. The materials are non-circulating.

### Copyright notice

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### Accruals

The Marian Library continues to add select materials to this collection.

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## Search Terms

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### Subject(s)

- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Apparitions and miracles
- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Apparitions and miracles--20th century
- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Apparitions and miracles--United States--History--20th century

- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Apparitions and miracles--United States--Miscellanea
- Mary, Blessed Virgin, Saint--Devotion to

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## Location

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Document files in this collection (United States, International, Individuals, and Subject files) are located in file cabinets. Artifacts, photographs, and audio recordings are located on collections shelf.

## Collection Inventory

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### United States, circa 1940-circa 2010

Arkansas - Bella Vista / Cyndi Cain, 1991-1996  
Arizona - Phoenix / Estella Ruiz, 1990-1996  
Arizona - Phoenix / Patricia Mundorf, 1997-1999  
Arizona - Scottsdale / St. Maria Goretti Church, 1989-1993  
Arizona - Scottsdale / Carol Ameche, 1998-1999  
Arizona - Various, circa 1997  
California - Monterey / Marie Therese von Voss, circa 1977  
California - Topanga / David Sereda, 1998  
California - Various, circa 1990-2005  
Connecticut - Meriden / Louise D'Angelo / Maryheart Crusaders, 1968-2002  
Florida - Various, circa 1992-2000  
Georgia - Conyers / Nancy Fowler, 1991-1998  
Georgia - Conyers / Journal of Reported Teachings, 1992-1997  
Hawaii - Honolulu / Julia Kim, 1994  
Illinois - Chicago / St. John of God Church, 1984  
Illinois - Various, 1986-2000  
Indiana - Bloomington / Ruth Ann Wade, 1994-1997  
Iowa - Various, circa 1990  
Lewis, Kansas - Margarita Holguin Cazares, 1998  
Falmouth, Kentucky - Our Lady of Light, circa 1993-1999  
Kentucky - Various, circa 1996  
Louisiana - Various, 1987-1996  
Emmitsburg, Maryland - Giana Talone-Sullivan, 1993-2009  
Maryland - Various, 1994-2001  
Cotuit, Massachusetts - Kevin Boyar, 1991  
Massachusetts - Various, 1987-2003  
Minnesota - Various, 1991-1997  
Lincoln, Nebraska - Mary Jane Even, 1992-1995  
Nevada - Various, 1991  
Keene, New Hampshire - Ron O'Brien, 1999  
Keene, New Hampshire - Ron O'Brien, 1999  
Marlboro Township, New Jersey, 1993-1995



New Jersey - Various, 1995-1999  
Santa Fe, New Mexico - Beatriz Galaviz, 1993-1994  
Bayside, New York - Veronica Lueken / O.L. of the Roses, 1977-1993  
Bayside, New York - Veronica Lueken / O.L. of the Roses, 1976-1993  
Bayside, New York - regarding Pope Paul VI, 1993-1995  
Rochester, New York - John Leary, 1996-1998  
New York - Various, 1990-2010  
North Dakota - Various, circa 1999  
Cleveland, Ohio - Ivana Buckdrucker / Holy Love Ministries, 1993-1998  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 1985-1986  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 1986-1991  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 1987-1990  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 1992-1994  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 1993-1999  
Cleveland, Ohio - Maureen Sweeney / Holy Love Ministries, 2000-2009  
Dayton, Ohio, 1993-1996  
Elyria, Ohio / Our Lady of America,  
Girard, Ohio - Audrey Mrofchack, circa 1997  
Massillon, Ohio - Sinner/Saint, circa 1994-1997  
Massillon, Ohio - Sinner/Saint, circa 1994-1997  
Norwood, Ohio - O.L. of Light Center, circa 1995  
St. Bernard, Ohio - Rosa Mystica, 1994  
Ohio - Various, circa 1995  
Oregon - Various, circa 1991  
Levittown, Pennsylvania - Louise Starr Tomkiel, circa 1999  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania - Virginia Pelly, circa 1999  
Pennsylvania - Various, circa 1992-2001  
Puerto Rico - Various, circa 1991  
Rhode Island - Various, circa 1994  
Lubbock, Texas, circa 1988-1997  
Lubbock, Texas - Queen of Mercy Center newsletter, 1990-1993  
Lake Ridge, Virginia, 1992  
Virginia - Various, 1997  
Green Bay, Wisconsin - Steve Marino / Our Lady's Guest House, circa 1991  
Necedah, Wisconsin - Mary Ann Van Hoof, circa 1960-circa 1978  
Robinsonville / Green Bay, Wisconsin - Adele Brise / Our Lady of Good Help, 1950-2009  
Robinsonville / Green Bay, Wisconsin - Adele Brise / Our Lady of Good Help, circa 2009  
Robinsonville / Green Bay, Wisconsin - Adele Brise / Our Lady of Good Help, circa 2009

Wisconsin - Various, circa 1999

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## **International, circa 1940-circa 2010**

Albania, 2007  
Argentina, 1989  
Australia, 1995-2001  
Austria, circa 2004  
Bolivia, 2007  
Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 1989-2007  
Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 1989-2007  
Brazil, circa 2010  
Canada, circa 1997-circa 2007  
Chile, circa 1995  
Ecuador, circa 1990  
Egypt, 2009  
England, circa 1987-2007  
France, 1971-2000  
Marpingen, Germany, circa 1999  
Germany, 1946-circa 1994  
Greece, 1990  
Iraq, circa 1994  
Knock, Ireland - John White manuscript, 2007  
Granstown / Mayfield, Ireland, circa 1988-circa 2008  
Ireland, 1985-circa 2000  
India, 1996  
San Damiano, Italy, 1967-1968  
San Damiano, Italy, 1967-1969  
Italy, circa 1970-circa 1992  
Akita, Japan, circa 1985-2008  
Mexico, circa 1974-circa 1994  
Netherlands / O.L. of All Nations, circa 1990-circa 2010  
Nicaragua, 2007  
Nigeria, circa 1997-circa 2001  
Philippines, circa 1949-2005  
Poland, circa 1990  
Portugal, circa 1958-circa 2000

Kibeho, Rwanda, circa 1990-circa 1997  
Serbia / Yugoslavia, 1984  
Slovakia, circa 1958-circa 2002  
Slovenia, circa 1990-circa 1999  
South Africa, circa 2007  
Naju, South Korea, 1985-circa 2010  
Naju, South Korea, 1985-circa 2010  
Garabandal, Spain, 1965-circa 2008  
Palmar de Troya, Spain, circa 1970-circa 1978  
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Palmar de Troya, Spain, circa 1970-circa 1978  
Spain, circa 1994  
Syria, circa 1982-circa 1992  
Tanzania, circa 1992  
Venezuela, circa 1987-circa 1999  
Vietnam, circa 1992

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## **Individuals, circa 1950-circa 2000**

Anonymous, circa 1970-circa 2000  
Michael Bustillo (rose petals, feathers, glitter), circa 2001  
Stefano Gobbi, circa 1990-circa 2000  
Stefano Gobbi, circa 1990-circa 2000  
Elijah Messenger, circa 1990  
Rita Ring / Shepherds of Christ, circa 1995-circa 1998  
Vassuela Ryden, circa 1995-circa 1999  
Servant Son, 1999  
Various, circa 1950-circa 2000  
Various news articles, 1994-1997

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## **Subject files, circa 1986-circa 2000**

Abortion, circa 1994

Albert Hebert correspondence, circa 1986-2000  
Medjugorje Centers / Marvin Kucera, circa 1995  
Pope Paul VI, circa 1990  
Protestant apparitions, circa 1990  
Rosa Mystica, 2005

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## **Photographs, artifacts and audio recordings, circa 1975-2000**

Photographs, circa 1980-2000  
Photographs, circa 1980-2000  
Artifacts, circa 1975-2000  
    Rose petals (Bustillo), circa 2000  
    Glitter (Bustillo), circa 2000  
    Feathers (Bustillo), circa 2000  
    Water from Our Lady's Farm, Kentucky, circa 1990  
Audio cassettes, circa 1975-circa 1996

## **Lubbock, Texas, circa 1988**

Blessed water, 1988  
Altar wood, circa 1988  
Slides, circa 1988  
Queen of Mercy rosary, circa 1988  
Christian mothers medal, circa 1960  
Joe James teachings and homilies (audio cassettes), circa 1988  
Ciborium, 1988  
Chalice, 1988  
Stole, 1988