

Interpretive Guide for the
Temporary Exhibit
Mission Treasures: Historical Collection Revealed
as of May 2011

Basic Information about *Mission Treasures*

- ▶ Exhibit is sponsored by donations to Mission San Juan Capistrano and the Mission's Preservation Foundation.
- ▶ Open to the public May 27th through September 5th.
- ▶ Security person will be present 10AM-5PM daily.
- ▶ Every 2nd and 4th Saturday, Living History Pirate, Jim Leone will lead families on a Special Mission Treasure Hunt. Each family will be given a treasure map and clue sheet, and if completed children will be able to pick a prize from the "Treasure Chest."

How Docents can encourage Exhibit Attendance:

West Wing (previously known as the "Rancho Room")

- ▶ Recommend to visitors/students/teachers to experience the Exhibit while visiting the grounds.
- ▶ Use as an ending point, a place to deliver them if needed.
- ▶ Invite friends and relatives to experience the Exhibit with you.

Mission Treasures Exhibit Details:

Themes of the Exhibit:

- ▶ Preservation
- ▶ Conservation
- ▶ Stewardship
- ▶ Survival
- ▶ Call to Action to Support Mission San Juan Capistrano
- ▶ Connection to significant persons in California art, history, and community

Wall Panel Topics Include:

- ▶ The Founding Period
- ▶ The Era of Decline
- ▶ The Mission's Renewal
- ▶ The Preservation Era Begins
- ▶ Preservation vs. Conservation: What does it mean for an old Mission?
- ▶ The Mission Bells
- ▶ An Old Library
- ▶ Interpretation by Monsignor Holquin and by Art Conservator

Sample List of Items on Display

- ▶ Patent of Title (Lincoln Document) 1865
- ▶ Marriage Register (Open to the Mary Pickford/Owen Moore Page)
- ▶ Baptismal Register (late 1700s)
- ▶ Death Register (late 1700s)
- ▶ Baptismal Shell (late 1700s)
- ▶ Father Serra Vestments (18th century)
- ▶ Tabernacle (18th century)
- ▶ Ciborium (19th century)
- ▶ Gloria Bell Wheel (circa 1800)
- ▶ Original El Camino Real Bell (circa 1909)
- ▶ Juaneño Basket (19th century)
- ▶ Great Stone Church Scupper (late 1700s early 1800s)
- ▶ Chalice (Early 20th century)
- ▶ Wooden Hand Carved Altar Candlesticks (18th century)
- ▶ Silver Altar Cards (19th century)
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- ▶ Silver Crucifix with Bullet hole, and bullet displayed (19th Century)
- ▶ *Sixth Station of the Cross—Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus* (18th century)
- ▶ *Mary Pickford's Wedding*, 1925 painting by Charles Percy Austin
- ▶ *Sheep Grazing Mission San Juan Capistrano*, 1897 painting by John Gutzon Borglum
- ▶ *Mission San Juan Capistrano*, 1895 painting by Elizabeth Borglum
- ▶ *Portrait of Father John O'Sullivan*, 1924 painting by Joseph Kleitsch
- ▶ *The Spanish Lady*, circa 1920 painting by Charles Percy Austin
- ▶ *The Great Stone Church*, circa 1900 painter unknown
- ▶ *Penitent Mary Magdalene*, circa 1800s painting by C.E. Shelton

Questions/Comments Regarding this Interpretive Guide

Thank you for your interest about the new *Mission Treasures* temporary exhibit. Contact Megan Dukett via phone 949-234-1320 or by email mdukett@missionsjc.com about any questions, comments or suggestions you might have concerning how to enjoy the exhibit.