



*Legacy Society*

GETTING TO KNOW

## THE BASILICA LANDMARK LEGACY SOCIETY

### THE BASILICA LANDMARK

The Basilica Landmark was founded as a non-religious 501(c)3 organization separate from the Basilica of Saint Mary in 1993, when years of deferred maintenance threatened the destruction of The Basilica. Its mission is to preserve, restore and advance the historic Basilica of Saint Mary for all generations.

### THE LEGACY SOCIETY

The Legacy Society, originally known as the Heritage Society, is an honorary recognition society for those who have informed us of a legacy gift, whether it comes through a Will or Trust, as a beneficiary of a retirement account such as a 401k, IRA, insurance policy or real estate. Members are honored in November each year at a celebratory brunch thanking them for their generosity. Deceased members are specially remembered as their names are read aloud at the annual brunch.

### PRESERVATION

Our century old building and campus require ongoing maintenance and capital improvements to ensure structural stability. The Basilica Landmark Board of Directors has a Facilities Committee which continually updates a restoration plan for the Church, Reardon Rectory, Basilica School building, Cowley Center and grounds.

### RESTORATION

Some of the many projects supported by gifts to The Basilica Landmark include:

- Restored the Narthex, Sacristy, Saint Anthony Chapel, bronze and leather doors
- Restored the Reardon Rectory fourth floor adding an elevator tower, offices, art and archival storage, installation of efficient central air, and sprinkler system throughout the Rectory
- Replaced the 1913 steam heating system in the church and school with a highly efficient hot water system
- Removed insulation from the church roof
- Added a storage facility for grounds equipment and replaced rectory garage frame and door
- Added ADA accessibility points throughout the campus
- Updated and renovated lower level kitchen, electrical and lighting
- Repaved and striped surface parking lots, and repaired and cleaned west sidewalk
- Updated church electrical including sound board and interior dome lighting
- Restored The Basilica School south entrance

## ADVANCEMENT

As we continually serve the community in this century old building and campus, there is no end to projects that need attention. Future priorities include:

- Interior restoration
- Tuck pointing the East and West portico of The Basilica
- Campus Master Planning

## ENSURING THE FUTURE

Funds for The Basilica Landmark's preservation, restoration and advancement are supported through:

- The Basilica Landmark Annual Fund
- Landmark Spark, The Basilica Landmark annual gala held each spring
- The Basilica Block Party (95% of net proceeds go to preservation; 5% go to The Basilica's Saint Vincent de Paul Outreach Ministry)
- The Basilica Landmark Legacy Society

## TRUST YOUR GIFT TO THE BASILICA LANDMARK

The Basilica Landmark has an independent Board of Directors which is responsible for its funds. Members include parishioners and friends, as well as The Basilica's Trustees; Pastor, John Bauer; and Managing Director, Terri Ashmore.

## A HISTORY OF HOPE

Every person who comes to The Basilica receives shelter. Some come carrying everything they own to find warmth and hope. Others come empty-handed, and leave spiritually renewed. Every day of every season, The Basilica is a haven for all, body and soul. The Building of Hope needs your support. The century old building stands magnificently on the Minneapolis skyline, but requires constant care to endure for generations to come. Supporting The Basilica Landmark honors the history and provides for the future of The Basilica.

## THE LEGACY SOCIETY

When you make a legacy gift, you play a special role for The Basilica Landmark. Your gift will help ensure The Basilica of Saint Mary will be here for future generations. **If you have already remembered The Basilica Landmark in your estate plans, please let us know so we can thank you and celebrate your generosity.**

## BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

Please make sure that your beneficiary is **"The Basilica Landmark" Tax ID #41-1754864.**

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