

Continuing the Legacy

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Dear _____,

Since 1858, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have served the citizens of New York State and beyond. Through the years, we have been dedicated to reaching out and serving all with whom we have come into contact.

Prior to The Vatican Council, which ended in 1965, we served primarily in education and health care. Since then, we have performed all the corporal and spiritual works of mercy of which women are capable. Along with the traditional ministries of education and health care, sisters assumed new and wider ranges of service including social services, fine arts, pastoral ministries, spiritual direction, and, providing ministry to the imprisoned, the unemployed, the mentally ill, the aged, the addicted, the unchurched, refugees, and the divorced and separated. Our mission through all our work has been steadfast. We are committed to serving ALL of God's people in need.

EXPANDING OUR REACH

Our work and outreach continues to grow and evolve. Over the past year, we have been implementing a historic capital campaign, *Continuing the Legacy*. The funds realized through this campaign are allowing us to build on our foundation of helping our neighbors. The goals of the campaign focus on renovating a portion of the ground floor at the Provincial House in Latham, New York. We are excited to share with you that renovations have already begun and this transformed space will be the future home of a PACE Program.

PACE stands for **Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly** and is another way for us to live out God's work and help those in need. PACE is funded by Medicare, Medicaid program and many of our Sisters will be participating in it, along with eligible persons 55 years and over in Albany and Rensselaer counties. This will be the first PACE program available to our neighbor residents in those communities and, with so many people living longer, it will allow people who qualify for nursing home care to remain at home and still receive the medical care they need. We all know how wonderful this is, as when given a choice, people prefer their home to a nursing home. **Having PACE is a win-win!** It is a win for our aging Sisters and for our community and neighbors.

We are proud and excited to help provide this program to so many and you can expect to hear more about it from many sources including the news, papers, our website and social media! Through the help of a generous friend, we were able to develop an eight-minute movie explaining the impact of *Continuing the Legacy*. You can watch it today to learn more by visiting:

<http://bit.ly/CSJContinuingTheLegacy>

NOW, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

This campaign has yielded great success to date but we are not done yet. We are \$2 million away from reaching our goal of \$8 million and we need your help!

Please consider contributing to the Sisters of St. Joseph, *Continuing the Legacy* capital campaign. No gift is too small and only you know what you can do but every dollar counts. And when we say every dollar counts, we mean it! In fact, every gift made will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$1 million!!! That's right, any gift you make will be doubled! Double the gift means double the impact.

Please prayerfully consider making a gift today by completing the enclosed pledge form. Pledge forms can be returned to the Sisters of St. Joseph using the return envelope provided. If you are making a gift or payment via check, please make it out to the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Thank you for all the support you have provided to us in the past. We are so grateful and do hope we can depend on you now to help us realize success with *Continuing the Legacy*.

The campaign is under the watchful eye of our patron, St. Joseph, and we know he will not let us down. With your help, we can achieve our goals of caring for our community.

Know that we do remember you and your loved ones in prayer.

Gratefully with Blessings,

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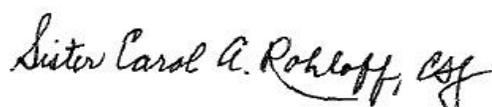
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