

## What is the Living Legacy Society at St. John the Baptist?

The Living Legacy society of St. John was created to honor the act of giving to God. Additionally, it was created to assure the future potential of St. John the Baptist Parish to serve people in Christ's name, and to address long-term financial needs.

The Living Legacy Society is a way to recognize past and current gifts that have been given to support St. John the Baptist Parish. The LL Society consists of gifts from parishioners, which come in a variety of ways, during their life or in the form of a bequest. Donors can be named or remain anonymous.

## How can I become a member of the Living Legacy Society?

The **Living Legacy Society** is open to all parishioners, former parishioners and friends of the parish who provide for the future of our parish through a planned gift or a current gift of \$1,000 or more to a new or existing endowment. As the name implies, you may continue to add gifts over the years to create a living legacy. Members of the **Living Legacy Society** are recognized on an annual basis with Mass and dinner. Permanent recognition is established on the LL plaque in the hallway leading to chapel.

## Considering a Legacy Gift?

Creating a legacy gift can be a simple process and ensures that your gift will forever benefit the Church, school or ministries that are important to you. Joining the **LL Society** is an opportunity for you to establish a lasting memorial for your family or loved one and it assures that your financial gift to St. John the Baptist is a lasting one.

## Things to Consider When Making a Legacy Gift

- How do I want to be remembered?
- Do I want to make a gift during my lifetime or a death?
- Is there a specific area at St. John the Baptist that I wish to make a legacy gift?
- What do I wish to accomplish and how can I make a difference at the parish?

## Examples of a Legacy Gift

- Establishing or adding to a scholarship that would enable children to attend St. John the Baptist School.
- Leaving a gift through a bequest either for the general use of the parish or for a specific area.
- Creating a permanent endowment, in your or someone else's name, that would provide annual support to the parish, school, or specific ministry forever.
- Any gift that is given to the parish through your estate plans would be recognized as a legacy gift and honored in the Legacy Society. You may designate your gift to be restricted and the income only to be used, if you wish.

For more information on the **Living Legacy Society** or to be added to the Society, please contact Father Joseph Ziliak [jjziliak@sjbnewburgh.org](mailto:jjziliak@sjbnewburgh.org) or Lynda Provence [lyndap@sjbnewburgh.org](mailto:lyndap@sjbnewburgh.org) at the parish office at 490-1000.