



**LEGACY GIFTS FOR
THE SISTERS OF SAINT
MARY OF NAMUR**



THEIR STORY STARTS HERE

Coming from Namur, Belgium, the Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur (SSMN) stepped into a wildly different world when they arrived in Waco, Texas in 1873. They had crossed an ocean and an expanding nation to, as Sister Emilie Kemen wrote in a letter, bring “a little good to the people of Texas.” This has been their sacred mission ever since.

Working with little means, the Sisters built schools and boarding facilities throughout North Texas. Their work stretched to South Texas, Colorado and even California as they educated children in a time when schooling wasn't readily available. Trailblazing continued to be a distinguishing mark of their work as the Sisters built ministries to serve the poor and powerless,

provide ESL education, visit the imprisoned, and in 1953 oversee Our Lady of Victory becoming Fort Worth's first fully integrated school.

Despite numerous challenges and changes through the years, the Sisters' eyes have never wavered from their mission of serving the poor and marginalized, supporting women, refugees, young people and the world around them. Their impact has spilled across generations as they've

shown up as teachers, friends, mentors, advisors, collaborators, community supporters, and comforters through prayer and generous hearts. Now it's time for us to show up for them.

The Sisters of Saint Mary have given their life to this work and have built a legacy worth celebrating. It's time for us to give back to them.





HELP US PROVIDE FOR THEIR NEXT CHAPTER

Resilient in the vows they embraced many years ago — poverty, chastity, obedience — the Sisters have never stopped reaching out to bring others into a greater communion with God. In pursuit of this great mission, they've given from the heart, and joyfully offered all they have — their lives, their talent, their few belongings and any finances — to God.

*It's time for us to continue
that good with our own gifts.*



By choosing to make a Legacy Gift, you will sustain the Sisters in their later years and propel their legacy and mission forward. Your gift will provide for their next chapter and continue the work they started for years to come.



**HELP THEIR LEGACY
OF LOVE AND
SERVICE CONTINUE**





PLAN YOUR LEGACY GIFT

Making a legacy gift and adding the Sisters of Saint Mary to your will is a simple way to have a long-lasting impact. It's the kind of support that will reach far beyond your lifetime.

Types of Legacy Gifts You Can Make:

- Bequests or testamentary trusts
- Cash and memorials
- Property, securities and other appreciated assets
- Unitrusts and charitable remainder trusts

How to Give Today

Make a gift (or learn more about the process), by visiting www.ssmnwestern.org/legacygift.

To discuss legacy gifts in person, contact the SSMN office directly:

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Connect With the Sisters



For more information on the Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur and how you can support them, visit www.ssmnwestern.org.

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Sisters of St. Mary, Western Region



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