



RE: Mary Ward College
Building Fund Drive

Dear

An increasing number of Catholic children in the Chicago and Joliet Dioceses are being deprived of a Catholic education for want of teachers. Fortunately, there is a place to turn....to the Ladies of Loretto.

The Ladies of Loretto comprise the oldest order of uncloistered teaching nuns in the world. To-day there are Loretto Schools (either maintained completely or staffed with teaching sisters) in Chicago, (4 elementary and 2 high schools), Wheaton... St. Francis High School....Northlake... 1 elementary school and Western Springs....1 elementary school. With 360 years of educational experience behind them, these sisters are eminently qualified to help meet the sister shortage in Catholic Schools.

To do this, the order built a new college, known as the Mary Ward College....The new college, first in the United States to be built by the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary, better known as the Ladies of Loretto is located in Wheaton, Illinois. The formation of the Mary Ward Teaching College will enable the order to triple the number



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of Loretto Teaching Nuns educated each year. All of this can become a reality with your help.

To erect the new buildings, cost \$1,500,000., a great deal of money....but let us offset this in our thinking with the great deal of spiritual good and blessings that will come from the spending of this money.

Just think, if only 1,500 kindly disposed people like yourself give \$1,000 each (you may give more), our goal will be reached. In a few short years thereafter, these Sisters would then begin to teach children in Catholic Schools.

Won't you please be one of the kindly disposed persons who will pledge at least \$1,000 to this wonderful cause and make yourself happy by giving, --- and remember "God will not be out done in generosity." A pledge card is enclosed for your use. You can return the pledge card by mail; or if you would like to have further information about these wonderful Sisters and their College Building Fund Drive, I would be happy to call on you.

Sincerely yours,

Member of Special Gifts Committee

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