



ST. SCHOLASTICA MONASTERY

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Dear Friends of the Monastery,

Since 1889, the Sisters of St. Scholastica have been stewards of the land where they lived, worked, and prayed as they followed their call to monastic life. Through the years, they have educated their pupils in subjects of the mind, heart, and spirit, extended God's grace and care to the poor and the sick, and shared the fruits of their prayer and contemplation. The grounds of St. Scholastica were the setting for prayers and quiet time by the grotto, labyrinth walks, and retreats for the Sisters as well as alumnae and guests of the monastery.

As the Sisters continue to care for the grounds, they plan to improve landscaping with additional plantings in order to extend the atmosphere of beauty and peace so often commented upon by visitors. The last couple years, you have helped us plant trees. We ask your help in continuing that project. We also need help in repairing the irrigation system that serves a few areas of the grounds.



We see our grounds as an expression of our hospitality. Our guest house, a beautiful older home across the street, is another extension of our hospitality to visitors. We appreciate your help in maintaining the house. At present, the air conditioners need replacing.

In addition to upkeep of the grounds and our guest house, our senior Sisters are in need of a few adaptations: new exercise equipment, new chairs in the Chapter Room that are easier to move, and a railing for the sidewalk from the gazebo to the cemetery. These additions will make the daily lives of the senior Sisters' healthier, easier, and safer.

We thank all of the friends of the monastery for their continued support. We pray that as these last months of 2025 see seasons end and begin, you will continue to experience the many blessings of God: "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace (Numbers 6: 24-26)".

