



Countess Elizabeth Wolff-Metternich Bequest Circle

The Loreto College bequest circle is named in honour of Countess Elizabeth Wolff-Metternich. Her bequest was the first significant legacy the school received and it allowed Mother Gonzaga Barry to complete the Chapel.

The Countess arrived in Ballarat in 1898 and, without disclosing her aristocratic identity, came to Mary's Mount. Mother Gonzaga Barry received her as an adult boarder, and in return Elizabeth taught music and languages in the school. Elizabeth then sought to join the Loreto Sisters, but Mother Gonzaga Barry in her wisdom insisted that Elizabeth first return to visit her family in Europe. During the voyage, as a result of nursing a sick child, Elizabeth became sick and died. Unbeknown to Mother Gonzaga Barry, Elizabeth had made a new Will before leaving Ballarat. Knowing that the building of the Chapel had been suspended because of lack of funds, Elizabeth had bequeathed a very significant gift to Loreto Mary's Mount. This very generous beguest enabled Mother Gonzaga to complete our beautiful Chapel, for which the School community will always be grateful.

Your Gift To Loreto College

Loreto College cherishes the vision and generosity of all those who have donated or bequeathed funds and property to the school. Such generous donations make it possible for the College to achieve its vision.

Your bequest to Loreto College may support our scholarship program to encourage academic achievement, our bursary fund to support students who may not otherwise be able to attend the school, a curriculum area of interest, our buildings and grounds, or something else close to your heart.

To ensure that a Loreto education continues to be offered to young women, in the spirit of Countess Elizabeth, we invite you to remember Loreto College in your Will. By making a bequest, you will become a member of the Countess Elizabeth Wolff-Metternich Bequest Circle



We'd like to hear from you

Thank you for your interest in considering a bequest to Loreto College Ballarat. Please complete this form and return it to Loreto College Ballarat. This is not a legal document but an indication of your intentions at this time. All bequest correspondence is treated with the utmost confidentiality.

like to discuss the possibility of supporting the Countess Circle by including Loreto College Ballarat in my Will. Please contact me.
I wish to support the Countess Circle and confirm that I have included a bequest to Loreto College Ballarat in my Will.
Name
Address
P/Code
Phone
Email
Connection to Loreto College:
Past Pupil - Class of:
Parent of:
Grandparent of:
Other:
Loreto School Attended:

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If you would like to discuss this, please contact the Director of Marketing and Development at Loreto College Ballarat on 03 5329 6100.

When complete please return to:

Marketing and Development Office

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