

One of the most recognizable signs that you are near a Catholic Church is the peeling of bells, calling us to worship, prior to the beginning of Mass and of course, the Angelus at noontime and again at six in the evening. The bells also toll at the conclusion of a funeral and joyously ring out after the celebration of a wedding. At one time, Our Lady of Loretto had bells that did all of the above. Until recently, the cost for bells was prohibitive. But, with new digital technology we will soon hear the sound of bells ringing once again at our parish. This digital carillon produces amazing sounds, volume, and tone controls. Review hear the sounds coming from the digital carillon think you're hearing the massive bronze bells from one of the famous European cathedrals or from St. Peter's Basilica.

To cover the cost of Carillon system; we will be conducting a memorial and gift appeal. There will be two plaques located in the church, near the carillon system. One will recognize, with individual nameplates, those who donated a financial gift for that system. The other plaque will be in memory of deceased loved ones, again with individual nameplates, whom you may wish to remember and honor.

We have already received a generous memorial and very generous promised gift for this carillon. We are asking for a minimum memorial or gift donation of two-hundred and fifty dollars. We plan on installing and dedicating the carillon sometime before Thanksgiving. If you have any questions or wish to make a memorial or gift donation, please call the rectory for details and to provide the information we will need or the individual nameplates.

