

A green rectangular graphic with a repeating pattern of stylized leaves. In the center, there is a white rectangular box containing the text "FOREST RELEAF OF MISSOURI IMPACT STORIES" in a green, serif font.

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“Trees have always been a favorite natural beauty of mine. I love the uniqueness of each tree - no two are alike. I always refer to the strong root foundation and the outreaching limbs as a comparative of who I am as a person - grounded yet growing and reaching out to others.”

-Marilyn Baner

Canopy Renewal

When the 53 year-old Retreat and Conference Center , Pallottine, found its former trees with beautiful oak trees lining the inundated Oak Galls and, unfortunately, they were dying. The Pallottine community knew they wanted to proceed by planting new trees to take the place of their receding canopy. Luckily a Pallottine employee was involved in the Missouri Master Gardener Association and recommended Forest ReLeaf. With our free tree as a resource Pallottine was able to plant 15 trees on September 15, 2020. Pallottine maintenance staff and employees planted the native trees along the entrance driveway of Pallottine.

Pallottine hosts over 5000 guests a year, and they aim to keep their campus beautiful for their visitors to appreciate the natural beauty during their retreat. These guests will have the opportunity to walk along the driveway and see the memorial trees that were planted, blessed, and marked with a plaque. Since each tree was planted in honor of a loved one, Fr. Tim Cook, blessed each tree, bringing comfort to the community, as the trees renew the beauty of the campus. The plaque that accompanies the trees honors both past and current Pallottine Missionary sisters for their contribution to the Pallottine mission. As the trees grow they will continue to honor those women while adding natural beauty and enhancing the air quality of the environment at Pallottine Renewal Center.



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