



# 2020 Annual Report



# NEW MAILING ADDRESS!

Beginning January 15, 2021, the NEW mailing address for all business for the Polish Heritage Center at Panna Maria will be:

**P.O. Box 25  
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All mail for all reasons are to be sent to the new address. Our operation has grown over the years, all thanks to you, our many wonderful donors. But as it has been said, *our baby is growing up!* We have an Executive Director, and soon other positions will be filled. The Polish Heritage Center is coming online!

To help us out, we are asking that you please discard any old remit envelopes. Using the old remit envelopes will result in delays. Please use the *new* remit envelopes with the *new* mailing address. Thank you.

## *Presenting our Annual Contribution Report*

This *cumulative* report covers the period from March 27, 2012, to December 31, 2020. This *cumulative* report **ONLY**. We are using the IRS rule of recording the donation under the name on the check. The recording of Tributes, Memorializations, and so on, are recorded in another file and is **NOT PRESENTED HERE**. Tributes, Memorialization, and so on will be presented in the Donor Galleries of the Polish Heritage Center and updated periodically. That is the reason for this *cumulative* report — to show you how your REPEATED gifts build over time, make a difference, and are truly appreciated. It is hoped that this example might help others to consider a similar practice of supporting the Polish Heritage Center. Not everyone can make a large one-time gift, but all can make multiple gifts over time. Whether it is monthly, quarterly, annually, or whatever frequency, your repeated gifts will make help make this worthwhile project a reality! The purpose is that as a 501(C)(3), non-profit organization, every effort will be made that you, our generous benefactors, will always know where your contributions have gone and what they are accomplishing. We are always accountable to you. Every effort has been made to ensure that this report is accurate and reflects correctly the levels of each of your contributions. If there are any corrections, please contact me, John Wojtasczyk, at either 210-387-7472 or [wojtasczyk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wojtasczyk@sbcglobal.net).

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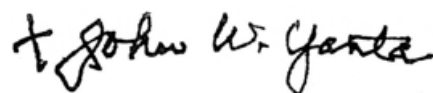


# *For all of you, I am thankful!*

Year 2020 has been a challenge, and now we hope for optimism in this new year of 2021. And yet, the building of our beautiful Polish Heritage Center, in God's providence, came at the right time. We reflect on this past year and ponder the hardships and struggles that no one could avoid or hide from. And yet, the stories of trials, hardships, struggles, difficulties, burdens, and strains of life are memorialized with the Center and remind that we are not alone in what we have experienced.

And that is why, with all that we have endured, I am so incredibly thankful for the support, both in donations and words of enthusiasm which are so meaningful. Time and time again, your support continues to show forth as we approach the completion of the construction. Just as in the *Widow's Mite*, it is the heart of the gift that is most important. Our ancestors, who endured so much, would recognized their legacy in you, their descendants, today!

As we bring this milestone to its finish, a new opportunity awaits. God willing, we expect to have an opening in the spring, once the COVID situation allows. And once opened, we will be a showcase to all of Polonia and to the entire world. The living memories of our ancestors will have a home, across the street from under the Oak tree where they first gathered to celebrate their first Mass of thanksgiving, the *Pasterka*, just over 166 years ago! What we have started is only the beginning. Let us pray, *that the Lord bring to completion the good work he begun in us.*



Bishop John W. Yanta