



## EASTER 2015

*May your Lenten practices bring forth a harvest of Easter Graces!*



Dear Friends and Family,

With all the snow and cold temperature it is hard to believe that Lent is soon upon us and Easter will be right behind.

Our Lenten 'Enrichment' this year is a journey to the Holy Land via a DVD with Fr. Don Senior as our guide. We have viewed a DVD with Fr. Don presenting a series on the Faces of Jesus which we all enjoyed and we now walk where Jesus once walked even if it is only through our eyes and ears.

As part of our preparation for our Silver Anniversary of founding we were able to make a pilgrimage to St. Vivian convent where the Monastery was founded by three of our Sisters: Sr. Doris Gerke, from our monastery in Huehuetenango Guatemala, Sr. Dianne Short, from our monastery in the Bronx, NY and Sr. Anna Marie Covely from our monastery in Langhorne PA. Out of the eight of us, four actually lived together at St. Vivian's until our present monastery was built. The four of us who lived at St. Vivian's had our heart strings plucked as we walked through the building now used as a parish gathering space. Our time at St. Vivian's was a blessed experience.



The new leadership with Fr. Jeff, OFM and Sr. Aileen Bankemper, OSB

Sr. Anna Marie, Sr. Pia and Sr. Ann

We are most grateful to all of you who have supported us during these past 25 years and look forward to seeing many of you at our Anniversary celebration. The when and where is at the back of this letter.

On March 4<sup>th</sup>, our community held the Chapter of Elections with Fr. Jeff Scheeler, OFM who officiated the election and Sr. Aileen Bankemper, OSB as the facilitator. The following Sisters were elected:

Abess: Sr. Ann Bartko, OSC

Vicaress: Sr. Mary Pia Malaborbor, OSC

Council: Sr. Anna Marie Covely, OSC

We ask you to pray for our community with the new leadership for the next three years.

We wish you a very HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER!

Your Poor Clare Sisters: *Ann, Anna Marie, Dianne, Doris, Luisa, Pia, Rita, Vickie*



**Then...** The three Foundresses  
L-R: Sr. Doris, Sr. Anna Marie and Sr. Dianne



**Now...** Back row: L-R Srs. Dianne, Rita, Doris, Vickie  
Front row: L-R Srs. Anna Marie, Pia, Luisa, Ann

**Cut and return or call your RSVP: Monastery of St. Clare, 1505 Miles Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45231; #513-825-7177**

We invite you to the celebration of our **SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING**  
A lunch will follow the Mass at St. Clement School Cafeteria

**Date:** June 27, 2015, Saturday

**Time:** Mass at 10:30 AM

**Place:** St. Clement Church, 4536 Vine St., Cincinnati, OH 45217

I/We will be present at Mass    Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

I/We will be present at Lunch    Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_



**Prayer Requests:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_

(Memorial, Anniversary, Birthday, Baptism, Confirmation, etc.)

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