

Easter 2019

Dear Friends and Family,

In the Old Testament book of the Song of Songs we read, “*The winter is past, the rains are over and gone. The flowers appear all over the land and you can hear the cooing of the turtle dove.*” It is a sign that something new is springing forth. We are in *Resurrection* time for it is *Easter*. Easter is the birthday of our Eternal Hope. “Easter” literally means “the feast of fresh flowers.”

Easter brings us the joyful message that we are “Resurrection people and Alleluia is our song.” The Resurrection calls us out of the tomb of our indiscretions and gives us the Good News that no tomb can hold us down for the Lord has risen and given us life. “Life” that leads us to live peacefully and joyfully our daily lives as we experience the real presence of the Risen Lord each day when we show others love, compassion, mercy and self-sacrificing service.

We were blessed to have Bishop Joseph Binzer, our auxiliary, with us on April 1st for Mass and dinner. It is always a pleasure chatting with him as we gather around the table and break bread with him. A few days before our visit from Bishop Binzer, the repairs to the wood in our courtyard were finished by Tri-Star Contractors.



Downy Woodpecker causing damage in Courtyard



Tri-Star Contractors repairing the wood in the Courtyard



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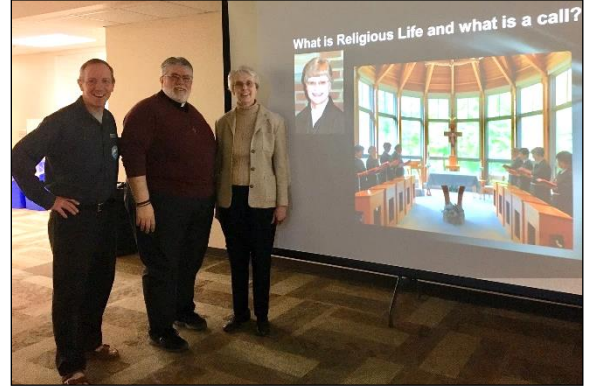
- I/we support the Cincinnati Poor Clares in their ministries of prayer and evangelization.
- I/we join you in prayer and/or enclose this gift.



From Left: Srs. Vickie, Luisa, Ann and Pia; Br. John Barker, OFM; Srs. Dianne, Anna Marie, Doris and Rita



Sr. Luisa Bayate



Glenmary Brother David Henley, Precious Blood Father Steve Dos Santos, Notre Dame Sister Ruth Lubbers, and Sister Vickie Griner

In January, John Barker, OFM presented a scripture workshop to us based on his introduction to the Old Testament course he teaches at CTU in Chicago. We are so blessed to have such a knowledgeable scripture scholar in our midst. John will return to us in the Fall and lead us on our community retreat.

Sr. Luisa was interviewed for The Catholic Telegraph’s March issue, just in time to celebrate National Catholic Sisters Week. The article highlights who we are as Poor Clares, our history and our charism. We are so grateful that the Holy Spirit led Sr. Luisa to our Cincinnati monastery!

Sr. Vickie has been busy Skyping into middle schools here in the Archdiocese as part of the Archdiocese’s Vocation Panel Program. Sr. Vickie, along with Glenmary Brother David Henley, Precious Blood Father Steve Dos Santos and Notre Dame Sister Ruth Lubbers, designed a vocation program for 7th and 8th graders and have presented the program to close to 2,000 students so far. The program has been so successful in the middle schools that they will develop a high school program for the Fall.

May your Lenten pruning produce an Easter Harvest of Abundant Fruit! Happy Easter!

- Your Poor Clare Sisters

Ann, Anna Marie, Dianne, Doris, Luisa, Pia, Rita, and Vickie



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