



EASTER 2025

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." - Jeremiah 29:11 (Scripture passage for the Jubilee of Hope)

Dear Friends and Families,

This year we celebrate the Jubilee of Hope. We pray that God will fill us all with certain hope in our everyday lives in all levels of uncertainty and doubt.

"Hope is a gift and a task for every Christian. It is a gift because it is God who offers it to us. Hoping, in fact, is not a mere act of optimism. No, hoping is waiting for something that has already been given to us: salvation in God's eternal and infinite love. To hope, then, is to welcome this gift that God offers us every day. To hope is to savor the wonder of being loved, sought, desired by God." *Quote from Pope Francis' message of Hope*

Last December, we were blessed to have Fr. Mark Soehner, OFM, who celebrated our Christmas Eve Mass. We were also blessed with the presence of so many of our friends who joined us for this festive celebration. As always, our community would plan our activities during the Christmas season but unexpectedly, some sisters got sick, and we had to cancel Mass for almost two weeks and let go of our community activities. Patience, hope and letting go of our plans are the virtues that we had to practice. The call then was to take care of each other and be of service to those who needed help.

We were gifted with a good amount of snow on the Feast of the Epiphany. Some sisters had fun outdoors enjoying the magnificent gift of nature that day.

On February 2nd, we celebrated the day of Consecrated Life. Our community participated by zooming the Prayer Day for Consecrated Religious that night. It was a great experience praying the rosary with other men and women Religious from all over the country together with our US Papal Nuncio, Cardinal Christophe Pierre. Each mystery was presented with reflective sharing/input between each decade.



Sisters Pia, Anna Marie, Beatrice, Luisa and Vickie

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This year we are anticipating a total replacement of our elevator. Last year, the motor overheated, and we had it replaced. However, since our elevator system is already 26 years old, some parts, which are hard to find, are also not working well with the old system.



Intercultural/ Intergenerational workshop with Bro. Moises Gutierrez, OFM

In mid- February, our community had a two day Intercultural and Intergenerational workshop. Brother Moises, OFM, who is a doctoral professor at Creighton University, gave us a lot of input to reflect upon and discuss among ourselves how we are considering the diversity of everyone in culture and age. We continue to build our community in relating and understanding each other in love and compassion with our cultural diversity and age differences.

We are so grateful for your generosity and loving support, without you and the grace of God, we would not be able to continue our ministry effectively. We are praying for you and your families. God bless all of you.

May this Easter Season bring you all a joyful hope in the Risen Christ!

Loving prayers from your Poor Clare Sisters of Cincinnati,
Alma, Ann, Anna Marie, Anthony, Beatrice, Dianne, Doris, Luisa, Pia, Rita, Vickie



Happy Easter!



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