

# Feast of St. Clare 2026

Dear Friends and Family,

Peace and Blessings!

After a very cold winter season, our joyous Easter Alleluias rang out. It seemed as if all of creation was celebrating as the dogwood trees outside our chapel bloomed just in time along with other flowery plants and bushes. The chapel was colorful with potted plants. Amid the Easter joy, we learned that the husband of Sr. Mary Anthony's niece died in a fatal fall. Please keep the family in prayer.

Pope Leo has designated this year as a Year of St Francis to celebrate his 800th anniversary of embracing Sister Death. On Sundays, we have been praying the prayer that Pope Leo wrote for the occasion. As a Franciscan chapel, our chapel may be visited as a place of pilgrimage for this year. We were happy to welcome some pilgrims who joined us for Mass. **On September 27th, we will have a special Holy Hour and Evening Prayer to commemorate this event. You are welcome to join us. Please check our website or Facebook page for details.**



Easter Vigil with Fr. Ed Tlucek, OFM



Pilgrims who visited our chapel



Fallen tree on the driveway

With weather events becoming more frequent, we have decided to look into getting a generator. We have had two companies look at our situation and are now awaiting estimates.

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## PERPETUAL ENROLLMENT CARD

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E-mail: [poorclareprayers@gmail.com](mailto:poorclareprayers@gmail.com)  
Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_  
Website: [www.poorclarecincinnati.org](http://www.poorclarecincinnati.org)  
(Anniversary, Birthday, Baptism, Confirmation, etc.)

I/we support the Cincinnati Poor Clares in their ministries of prayer and evangelization.

I/we join you in prayer and/or enclose this tax-exempt gift.

In May, Sr. Pia attended the abbesses/Federation Council meeting in Darien, IL where they discussed the future direction of the Federation and the needs of the monasteries.



We had a quiet Retreat in preparation for Pentecost. On the last morning of retreat, after a night of heavy rain, we arrived in chapel to see that a large tree had fallen across our driveway. We tried to notify our celebrant Fr. Pat McCloskey, OFM and the people who usually attend Saturday Mass with us. They decided to come even though it meant walking up part of the hill with their umbrellas. Happily, Sr. Pia was able to find a company willing to come on a rainy Saturday to cut the tree up and clean up the debris.

Our Mass for the Feast of St. Clare, August 11, will be at 9:00 AM, followed by a light reception. We hope you will be able to join us.

Amid all the violence in our world, we pray in the words of Pope Leo written for the 8th Centenary of St. Francis, “In this time afflicted by conflict and division, intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers: unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ. Amen.”

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

### Novena to St. Clare:



O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we praise your Holy Name and the wonders of grace you worked in your servant, St. Clare. Through her powerful intercession, grant us the favors we ask for in this Novena, above all the grace to live and die as she did in your most holy love. Amen.

You can join us in praying the Novena to St. Clare through our website at:

<http://www.poorclarescincinnati.org/novena-to-st-clare>



Please join us for our  
Feast of St. Clare Mass at  
9:00 am on Tuesday  
August 11, 2026

Please RSVP by Aug 8  
513-825-7177 Or  
513-825-4081

Yes, I/We will Attend  
 Number Attending

### Novena to St. Clare

Please remember the following intentions during the Novena before the Feast of St. Clare:

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