



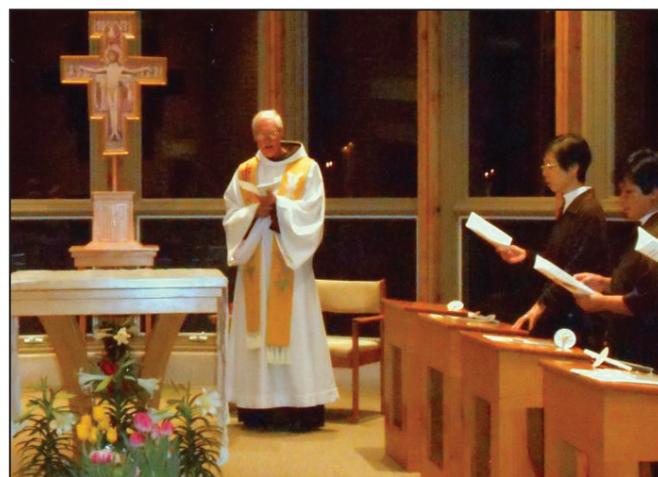
## Feast of St. Clare 2013

*[W]e live the Gospel holiness of Jesus in holy unity and highest poverty, following in the footsteps of Christ himself and his most Holy Mother. . . . --Const.Art.3.2*



Dear Friends and Family,

We were blessed to have our Brother Friars as celebrants for Palm Sunday, the Triduum and Easter Sunday. It is such a privilege to have our St. John the Baptist Friars so close to us and so willing to serve our Sacramental needs. This year, Fr. Mark Hudak, ofm presided on Palm Sunday; Fr. Joe Ricchini, ofm presided on Holy Thursday, with Fr. Loren Connell, ofm joining us; Fr. Mark Soehner, ofm presided at our Good Friday service and carried the Cross in our procession to the Main Chapel for veneration. Fr. Frank Jasper, ofm presided at our Easter Vigil Mass, and Fr. Jeff Scheeler, ofm presided on Easter Sunday.



On April 16, Sr. Luisa renewed her Temporary Vows. This was the last time for her to renew her vows, **for on October 12, 2013, at St. Clement's Church, Sr. Luisa will make her Solemn Profession of Vows.** Sr. Luisa joined our Monastery in 2010, transferring from our Poor Clare Monastery in Taiwan. She is indeed a gift to our community. We pray that Sr. Luisa's mother and one or more of her sisters will be able to travel to Cincinnati for Sr. Luisa's Solemn Profession. We acknowledge the importance of family and friends and rejoice when we are able to share in these celebrations. You are all invited to St. Clement's Church on October 12 at 10:00am for Sr. Luisa's Solemn Profession.

This year Sr. Anna Marie celebrates her Golden Jubilee – 50 years of vowed Poor Clare life! The Jubilee Mass for Sr. Anna Marie was held at St. Clement's Church on June 22, 2013. Many family members, friends and benefactors were able to attend and celebrate with us. Sr. Anna Marie has been a servant-leader in community as well as a servant-leader in our Mother Bentivoglio Poor Clare Federation. A few photos appear on the next page of this letter.

In our Easter letter, we mentioned that we continue our discernment of a more comprehensive Development Plan for our Monastery. We invite you to review the enclosed: **“Doing What Is Ours To Do In Today's World”** and learn more about our community and about ways to help us. We are blessed to be here in Cincinnati, and we are here because of the love and support we receive from you. We also invite you to share **“Doing What Is Ours To Do In Today's World”** with a friend.





An important ministry that transcends the boundaries of our monastery is receiving and responding to prayer requests. We receive prayer requests from not only visitors and telephone calls but also our website and e-mail at [poorclareprayers@gmail.com](mailto:poorclareprayers@gmail.com). We are able to receive prayer requests from around the world! One of our sisters personally responds to these prayer requests and then forwards them to each of us so that we can join in prayer. Currently, in addition to the U.S., Canada, and Mexico, we receive prayer requests from more than 15 countries! Please let us know your prayer requests.

As we prepare for the Novena to St. Clare, we again thank you for allowing us to be a part of your lives, to pray for you and the needs of your family and friends, and for our world. May St. Clare continue to intercede for us as we continue to live Gospel lives following in the footsteps of Jesus, Our Risen Savior.

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

**Novena Prayer to St. Clare:** O Glorious St. Clare, God has given you the power of working miracles and the favor of answering the prayers of all who invoke your assistance. We ask you to obtain for us from Jesus the help we so fervently and hopefully desire. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Gift in Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Gift in Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

E-mail: [poorclareprayers@gmail.com](mailto:poorclareprayers@gmail.com)

Website: [www.poorclarescincinnati.org](http://www.poorclarescincinnati.org)

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*RSVP*

*For the Feast of St. Clare, 10:00AM August 11, 2014*

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