

Feast of St. Clare 2018

*“Totally love Him who gave Himself totally out of love for you.”
– St. Clare of Assisi*

Dear Friends and Family,

Each year, on Palm Sunday, we rededicate ourselves to our life of prayer and contemplation as St. Clare’s “Poor Sisters” by renewing our solemn vows, for it was on the evening of Palm Sunday in 1212 that St. Clare left her home and joined St. Francis at the Portiuncula to become the first woman to follow St. Francis. We renew our commitment not only to our Franciscan/Clarian charism, but also to our community here in Cincinnati. We are blessed to be in Cincinnati and to have you as a part of our lives.

Our friars of St. John the Baptist Province here in Cincinnati celebrated with us our Holy Week and Easter liturgies again this year. Fr. Mark Hudak led our procession on Palm Sunday. Fr. Mike Chowning and Br. Dominic Lococo joined us for our Holy Thursday meal and liturgy. Fr. Richard Goodin led us in our Good Friday procession and service. Fr. Bill Farris was our Easter Vigil celebrant, and Easter morning, Fr. Mark Soehner celebrated our public Mass.



In June, we had a wonderful Community Retreat with Sr. Joanne Schatzlein, OSF, as she took us “Beyond Assisi.” A long-time pilgrimage leader to Assisi, Sr. Joanne had much to share with us as we took this opportunity during retreat to deepen our relationship with God and our Franciscan/Clarian charism. In August, we look forward to a community workshop with Fr. Gilberto Cavazos-Gonzales, OFM on St. Clare’s Process of Canonization.



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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 tax exempt gift.



It is summer and time for a vegetable garden. We are blessed this year to have a larger garden plot, and our gardener extraordinaire, Sister Luisa, has been busy planting, weeding, watering and pollinating. The work of her hands is on the way to fruition as these pictures show. We look forward to the fruits of the land. We also give thanks to our volunteers who keep our grounds and flower gardens looking so beautiful and for all those who share their fruits of the land with us!



We are blessed to be surrounded by the beauty of creation. Some of these beauties of creation have become associate members of our community. Meet Sister Fawn, Brother Blue Bird and Sister Red Fox. They have brought great joy to us these past few months.



On June 24, 2018, the Feast of John the Baptist, we celebrated the 28th anniversary of the founding of our Community here in Cincinnati. Our life of prayer and contemplation is possible because of you. We are grateful for your support, your prayers, your love and all you share with us.

We will be remembering you in our Novena to St. Clare, asking her to intercede for all your intentions.

- Your Poor Clare Sisters

- Ann, Anna Marie, Dianne, Doris, Luisa, Pia, Rita, Teresa, 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 in this Novena, above all the grace to live and die as she did in your most holy love. Amen.



Feast of St. Clare Reservation

I/we will attend the Feast Day Mass on Saturday, August 11, 2018, at 10:00am
at the Monastery of St. Clare, 1505 Miles Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231

Yes ___ No Number Attending _____

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