

# Feast of St. Clare 2021

Dear Friends and Family,

St. Clare of Assisi said, *“Be filled with a Remarkable Happiness and a Spiritual Joy.”* So, we write this newsletter with remarkable happiness as we share with you the happenings around our Monastery. First, we rejoice in announcing the Final Incorporation of Sr. Alma into our Monastery, which took place on June 8 at the Notre Dame de Namur healthcare center. The Community gathered around Sr. Alma, and with a special ceremony, Sr. Alma renewed her Solemn Vows into the hands of our Abbess, Sr. Anna Marie. We also presented Sr. Alma with a new brown habit made by Sr. Rita. Sr. Alma was beaming and exuded such a Spiritual Joy! It was such a blessed day.



We now have a beautiful monument in St. Mary’s cemetery, marking the place where we will be buried. Our plot is located right next to our Order of Friars Minor Brothers. This seems so fitting, since it was the Friars who brought us to Cincinnati. With the Friars, we have experienced mutuality like Francis and Clare experienced.



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## PERPETUAL ENROLLMENT CARD

Please send a card announcing this memorial or honorary gift, without mentioning the gift amount to:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gift in Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gift in Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: [poorclareprayers@gmail.com](mailto:poorclareprayers@gmail.com)  
Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_  
Website: [www.poorclarescincinnati.org](http://www.poorclarescincinnati.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.

Our [St. Clare Memorial Garden](#) is taking great shape. The first batch of memorial stones are in place, but we were saddened to hear that the company that was to supply the granite did not survive the pandemic. Another company has been contacted, so we hope to have the Cross soon. We were able to create more spaces for memorial stones, so there is still time to reserve a stone.

We have been doing some serious praying over our HVAC system because the furnaces are dying. We hoped to be able to slowly replace the units as we were able, but the furnaces seem to have other plans. It is quite a financial undertaking, but Divine Providence is always near.

Our Feast of St. Clare Mass and celebration will be private again this year. However, we welcome you home to our public Chapel on August 15<sup>th</sup>, when we will once again have our Chapel open for Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. We wait in joyful anticipation to see our friends at the Eucharist again.

Our Canticle of Creation on a path in our woods has a new look. Mason, a Boy Scout, took the project for his Eagle Scout badge. Each Canticle has its own shrine, and the Canticle is now in English.



We request your prayers for our Sr. Anthony. She will undergo open heart surgery on July 29<sup>th</sup> at the Cleveland Clinic. Every prayer will bring her closer to recovery.

Know that we hold you all close in our hearts and prayers.

### Your Poor Clare Sisters

Alma, 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 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>.



### Novena to St. Clare

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

**We regret that there will be no public Mass or celebration of the Feast of St. Clare this year. We will re-open August 15, 2021.**

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