

Venite Adoremus

Spring / Summer

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The Newsletter of the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration of Sancta Clara Monastery

Easter Blessings!

Dear Monastery Friends,

What a beautiful time we have in the rising of Springtime and how widely she's welcomed by everyone! Everything alive begins to run around with energy and new purpose....

So it is that our dear God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - chose to make days such as this the setting for His Redemptive Passion, Death and Resurrection! Isn't that what you would do if the choice were yours?

These blessings come in the midst of our distractions and contemplations, our health and illnesses, our losses and gains, sorrows and joys. This is the everyday stuff of His promise to be with us, to support us and help us weather the events of our lives. This is the likeness of His incomprehensible LOVE for each and everyone of us!

Yes, we've been praying for you, caught up in the assurance that God does great things through prayer, and we see the blessings of your prayers for us with every new day.

Given this opportunity to share, let us tell you of our more recent news at Sancta Clara Monastery!

***The Lord is RISEN,
Alleluia, Alleluia!***



***May our RISEN LORD
grant us His PEACE!***



MONASTERY NEWS



American Citizen

On July 10, 2015, our Sister Mary Agnes Shayo finalized her choice to be a citizen of this United States of America. In the presence of her Sisters and our local government Officials, she made her personal promise of commitment to share in the service and opportunities of this land. Her most essential promise, along with her Sisters, is to PRAY to God regularly for the good of all its citizens and the affairs of the country.



Sister Mary Agnes Shayo during her oath taking ceremony to become an American Citizen.



Sister Joan Marie renewing her Commitment during the Eucharistic celebration of her Diamond Jubilee!



Sister Joan Marie Jones of Jesus Celebrated Diamond Jubilee!

Later on in the same month, August 22nd, in the company of all her Sisters and friends, our veteran Sister Joan Marie Jones celebrated her 60th Anniversary of Profession. It was a day beautified by God with "perfect JOY."



Meet our New Postulant, Elizabeth Mashinga!

In the summer of last year, our Community had the joy of receiving a new candidate into our midst, Sister Elizabeth Mashinga, who had been received as a postulant and began her journey with us. She arrived most fittingly on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary and has been thriving among us ever since.



Sister Marie Joseph of the Guardian Angels Made Her First Profession of Vows!

As Fall set in, on October 24th, our attention was turned from a lifetime of professed life to a beginning of committed love and devotion when our Sister Marie Joseph Erana made her

First Profession of Vows and the monastery was once again filled with much celebration and gratitude to our great and faithful Lord!

An Extraordinary Pilgrimage!!!

Last January, it was the privilege of Sister Mary Gertrude and I, Mother Magdalen, to travel to Rome for an extraordinary gathering of consecrated religious drawn from all over the world. It was part of a much larger convention dedicated as the closing event for the Year of Consecrated Life, promulgated by His Holiness, Pope Francis. The atmosphere during those days was so much like that of the Apostles on Pentecost, when the nationalities of peoples arrived in Jerusalem just in time to hear the first inspired words of Christ's original twelve. It was ours to be seated in the company of the Princes

of the Vatican, listening and sharing together, them and us, on many closely held thoughts about our commitment to God and our ministries in the Church, as the daughters and sons of those whom we imitate from the past -- virgins, martyrs, holy men and women, confessors and priests.

It was truly an overwhelming experience! From there, Sister Gertrude and I traveled on in pilgrimage to Assisi, Lourdes and Paris, gathering a lifetime of the most special blessings in these holy places!



St. John Lateran



Audience with Pope Francis during the Gathering



Contemplative Sisters Days of Conferences in Vatican



St. Paul Basilica

St. Peter's Square



With our PCPA Sisters / Delegates from India and Europe



Sancta Clara Monastery
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you're invited

Of upcoming things here at our monastery, we want to announce that on Saturday, June 4th of this year, 2016, at our 9:00 AM Mass, we'll be having another very special celebration! This day will be the occasion of our Sister Mary Justin Shirima's First Profession Celebration and we most happily invite you to come join us for this blessed event!

Would you like to have some fun and help the Sisters at the same time? We invite you, then, to plan on joining us for our 2016 Annual Social Fundraiser at Saint George's Social Hall, on Saturday, July 23rd. The details will be forthcoming in May - stay tuned!



HELP NEEDED..

Perhaps you'd just like to know how you can help us with those inevitable needs that pop around here? Yes, we'd be most grateful if you can help with our upcoming repairs -- we've got a crop of old trees that should come down before they fall down; our electrical systems are in need of upgrading; our commercial kitchen refrigerators needs replacing; and there's always that surprise "disaster" that comes along just when you think the noise of repair is about to quiet down! That is why, dear friends -- piece by piece, this is indeed YOUR monastery -- and your Poor Clares are ever grateful!



From Left to Right: Sister Elizabeth, Sister Mary Justin, Sister Joan Marie, Sister Marie Joseph, Sister Marie Dominique, Sister Mary Agnes, Sister Mary Immanuel, Mother Magdalen, Sister Marion Celine and Sister Mary Gertrude.

**NEXT SOUP
AND BREAD
SALES - 2016**

**September
15, 16 & 17**

**November
17, 18 & 19**