



Angel Whispers

Benedictine Oblate Sisters of Clear Creek

Spring 2012

*“Resurrexi, et adhuc tecum sum, alleluia:
posuisti super me manum tuam, alleluia.”
I arose and am still with Thee, alleluia:
Thou hast laid thine hand upon me, alleluia.
(Introit of Mass of Easter Sunday)*

Dear Friends of the Clear Creek Sisters,

A most Blessed Easter to all of you! With the words of the Introit of Easter Sunday Mass, I feel I have resurrected and am back with my community.

While I was anticipating a typical Benedictine Lent (of extra prayer, spiritual reading, fasting and abstinence), God chose a totally different Lent for me. It all started on Ash Wednesday, when I realized I had no feeling in my left hand and arm. After an appointment with our family doctor and one CT scan later, it was determined that I needed emergency surgery that night. The surgery went well, and I recovered well – at least for the first few days. However, by Saturday, March 3, I had to have another surgery. This time, thanks to your many prayers, I am on the road to recovery.

I cannot thank each of you enough for all you did for me – all the Masses offered, prayers, cards, and the sacrifice of spending a day – and even all night – to make sure I was attended to in the hospital. I assure you that after two major surgeries and three weeks in the hospital, I had lots of time to pray for you.



Monks singing “Lo ! How a Rose ‘Ere Blooming.”

I have been home since Friday, March 16 – Deo Gratias! I continue to pray for all of you.

Despite the unusual Lent, this year also brought its joys. Just as St. Benedict would meet with his sister, St. Scholastica, once a year, so too we have a similar tradition with our beloved brother monks. Once a year, on January 1st, the monks come to our convent grounds for a little recreation. This year they surprised us with a favorite carol, “Lo ! How a Rose ‘Ere Blooming”, sung beautifully in harmony.



Annual parlor with the Monks, News Year’s Day January 1st 2012.



Sister Annunciata’s surprise 75th birthday celebration.



Men at work during the Work Day, March 3rd.



Ladies at work, beautifying our front lawn.

Two months later a complete surprise (secretly engineered by Sister Catherine with Father Abbot as her accomplice) brought Sr. Annuntiata's sister and two nieces to Queen of Angels Convent for the feast of St. Scholastica. We had a grand reunion – after eight years of not seeing each other. Thank you, Sr. Catherine and all who collaborated in this celebration!

This year the annual Work Day fell on Saturday, March 3rd. Mr. Jeff Kohn (who had bought the required wood with donations he collected) was able to add to the current enclosure fence. While the men "slaved" over the fence-building, the women and children volunteers worked on the raised garden beds. We are now ready to start planting our vegetables and flowers. Many thanks to all who worked so hard to beautify our yard.

God continues to bless our community with vocation inquiries. This is probably due to the fact that we now have a web site, www.clearcreeksisters.org, which was created by a couple of generous benefactors.

May you each be blessed with all the joys and graces of Easter! Please be assured of our continued prayers for you.

In Conspectu Angelorum,

Sr. Annuntiata, Superior

Sister Annuntiata, Superior

We are a community of contemplative women, who live according to the Rule of St. Benedict, as Oblate Sisters of Clear Creek Abbey. Our vocation is to consecrate ourselves to God alone, by means of constant prayer and joyful penance, in solitude and silence, all for the greater glory of God and for the salvation of souls and the sanctification of our brother monks and all priests.



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