



# Angel Whispers

Benedictine Oblate Sisters of Clear Creek

Summer 2012

*"Bless the Lord, O my soul: and let all that is within me  
bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul:  
and never forget all he hath done for thee."  
(Psalm 102:1-2)*

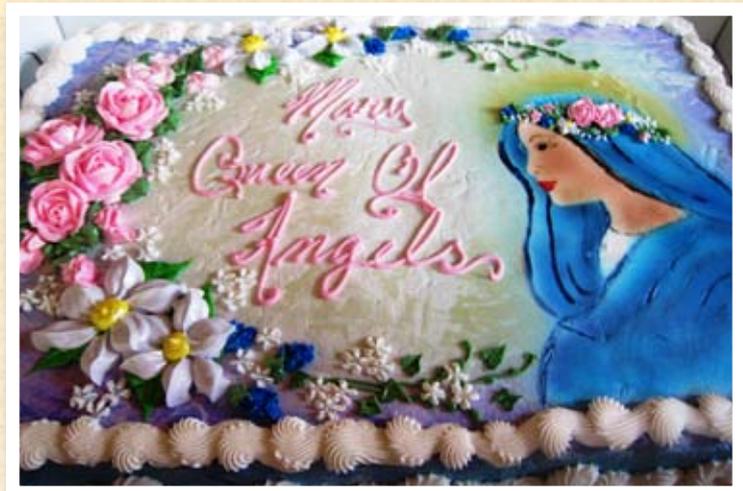
Dear Friends of the Clear Creek Sisters,

Rejoice and bless the Lord with us. Join us as we pray in deep gratitude for Father Abbot and the monks of Clear Creek for allowing us to move to the big log cabin. Formerly it served as the residence for some of the monks as well as their administrative offices and refectory, etc., the log cabin then became the guest house and named "St. Martha's." Soon St. Martha's will soon become the new Queen of Angels Convent. Our oratory will be the old oratory where the monks first offered the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and chanted the Divine Office. The move has been scheduled for the first week of November 2012. We will be very busy packing and moving – and we ask for your prayers that all will go smoothly and peacefully.

Our new location will facilitate our efforts to live our committed contemplative life. So often we are asked, "What is contemplative life? What do you do?" In our attempt to offer a suitable explanation, we found (thanks to a kind friend) the following, which was printed by the nuns of Stanbrook Abbey, Worcester, England.



*Father Abbot blesses those who honored Our Lady after Her Crowning.*



*Mrs. Elaine Wheeler tastefully honored Our Queen and Her devotees!*

*Prayer, praise, stillness;  
Serenity, wisdom, contemplation.*

*Our world has lost these things,  
So men are restless, dissatisfied, tense –  
Drowning in fevered activity,  
seeking the wrong things.  
And seeking the right things,  
but in the wrong place.*

*Our world has lost God.*

*That is why we have withdrawn from the world.  
Not because we do not care about its fate,  
cannot face its problems,  
But in order to find God.*

*And, having found Him,  
To irradiate the very heart of the world  
With His peace-bringing  
life-giving presence.*

*We do not engage in works outside our monastery,  
For we have chosen to live in silence  
and concentration  
at the hidden springs, the deepest level  
where the struggle is enacted  
between the powers of good and evil,  
Where our union with Christ bears fruit  
for all mankind.*

*We have chosen a stillness,  
More powerful than all activity,  
A detachment more fulfilling than all possession,  
And a love beyond all price.*



*Humming birds pay us a visit.*

*Each day we lift the world up to God  
in public prayer and praise,  
through the liturgy of the monastic choir.*

*Each day we search for Him  
in our private prayer and reading.*

*Each day we work  
According to our gifts,  
for the support of the community.*

*Such is the life of a contemplative nun  
following the Rule of St. Benedict,  
a community life –  
yet lived alone with God.  
(printed by the nuns of Stanbrook Abbey, Worcester, England)*

We look forward to living a more authentic contemplative life in our new environment, where we hope to be more apart from the distractions of the world.

Since we are Benedictines who have all made the St. Louis Marie de Montfort's Total Consecration to Mary and are loyal daughters of our Queen and Mother, we hope to still have the annual May Crowning – place to be determined. We had another successful one again this past May 2012, with Father Abbot Anderson giving us a little homily and blessing.



*Dedication to the Sacred Heart with friends present.*



*A welcome visit from Sr. Therese Gottschalk and Pat Johnson.*

At the end of May we had the joy of having Sister Therese Gottschalk (President of the Marian Health System) and Mrs. Pat Johnson (Executive Director of Supply Chain) here for lunch and a tour of our convent and of the new abbey church.

In June, to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we held a private procession to our newly erected shrine to the Sacred Heart where we consecrated ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

As you all know, we have had an incredibly hot, drought-like summer. While we humans offered up the almost intolerable heat, we had compassion on our feathered friends. So our ingenious Sister Catherine once again rigged up a "bird spa" – a gentle spray as well as several bird baths. We think we saved their lives, as well as giving them and us much pleasure. St. Francis must be smiling on us Benedictine nuns.

As always, we remember all of you in our daily prayers. Please keep us in yours – that we grow in holiness and in joyful acceptance of God's holy Will.

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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