

A Cherished Remembrance... FROM the FOOT of the CROSS



1720 **300** 2020
Start of Passionist Congregation

1771 **250** 2021
Foundation of Passionist Nuns

1946 **75** 2021
Nuns come to Owensboro

1995 **25** 2020
Relocation to Whitesville

*O marvel of His glorious wounds!
Cherish O immense Love!*

A favorite Passion-devotion of mine is the Chapel of the Five Wounds, which I pray each day before Mass. The Easter season brings us to contemplate these Glorious Wounds of Christ—the marks of the Passion which Christ still bears on His Risen Body, as trophies of His redeeming love and of His triumph over the powers of darkness and evil. In the midst of the sufferings and sorrows that afflict our nation and our world and that touch the lives of each one of us, the wounds of Christ shine as a beacon of hope and a never-ending font of Mercy. In the Eucharist we come in real contact with this Risen Jesus who is alive and with us. This is where we find our hope, our joy, our victory. What better image of the resurrected Lord's love than the image of Divine Mercy which you see in the photo here.

Recently our parlor was converted into a weekday chapel while Joe Helming and crew re-roof the chapel, and that is where this picture is taken. When people ask us if this construction is a bother to our quiet life we have to chuckle. For us it brings forth feelings of joy and hope for our present and future. As we cherish our 75 years in the diocese of Owensboro we seek to provide for our elder sisters, our new members, and our future sisters by developing our prop-



Time is set aside from work each Friday so we can give those hours to our redemptive prayer-mission in the Church...to assuage the Thirst of God for souls, and the thirst of souls for God, through extra time spent in Eucharistic adoration.

erty and buildings, and creating an ever more effective atmosphere for prayer and community life; in a word, to develop our sacred space where we fulfill our contemplative Passionist mission, handed down to us by our Founder and generations of nuns over the past 250 years. This is a cause for gratitude and rejoicing!

So many of you have played an important role in our Cherish the Flame renewal through your prayers and support. We are excited to share with you how the Lord has been at work and how our construction and renovation project has developed since our last newsletter. Our next newsletter will fill you in on all the other community news.



*Mother John Mary and the Passionist Nuns of St. Joseph Monastery
Easter Season 2021*



Cherish the Mission • the Heritage • the Life

The New Roof

So much has happened since we first introduced you to our Cherish the Flame project a year ago. If you take a drive out to the monastery (which we hope you will have a chance to do!), you'll see dump trucks, lifts, scaffolding, stacks of roof tiles, and the Helming crew working away on the chapel roof. But the first thing you'll see is the breathtaking spectacle of the brand-new Retreat House roof! The effect as you come down the front drive is stunning, the rows of brand new clay tiles, set with expert precision and skill, glistening in the sunshine. It is impressive! (I never thought I'd say that about roof tiles, gutters, and down spouts!) The support and prayers of good folks like you are making this possible. What a joy to behold the first fruits of so many prayers and sacrifices. Our hearts are filled with gratitude and exhilaration for what is to come. This is only the beginning!

The work on the Retreat House roof began at the beginning of January. These months have been exciting ones for us, from the first appearance of the scaffolding, to the fabulous first day of dodging old roof tiles flying off the roof, to seeing the installation of new clay tiles. Joe Helming's crew shows up at dawn Monday through Thursday, spending their days clearing off the old concrete tiles, installing new wood decking, underlayment, clay tiles, and finally new fascia, gutters, and downspouts. The tiles are made of clay rather than concrete, which will maintain a pleasing natural color and not get black streaks from moisture as the concrete has done. That's why the new part of the roof looks so glorious, especially when you see it next to the old!

We have not been content to twiddle our thumbs and watch the work. Joe was happy to give the nuns a chance to

pitch in with the job of blending tiles. Our able-bodied sisters learned how to blend and stack the new tiles just right, so they are ready to be lifted up to the roof. Saturdays and moments of free time find nuns or volunteers working the tile flats in the parking lot. Great for exercise, and cutting down on labor costs!

The Helming crew have proven themselves dedicated, and some homemade goodies from the nuns every so often helps keep up the morale. We treated the men to a hot pancake breakfast back in January when they were working in the winter cold. They are a good team.

The week after Easter, the finishing touches on the Retreat House roof were completed, and the following week the men moved on to the chapel roof. Meanwhile, we nuns packed up choir books and moved into our parlor, where we have a make-shift chapel set up which we use for Mass and prayer during their work hours.

The crew is making good time. We are praying that everyone will stay safe. Good St. Joseph, whose statue is perched on the hill in our courtyard, has a good view of the chapel roof, so we know he is watching over them. We can't wait to see the full effect when the whole roof is done. It will give the whole place a "face lift", AND please God, it will keep us dry!

The Cloister Walkways

The hot Kentucky sun that is beginning to show itself as we move into the summer months is kindling our yearning more than ever for our covered cloister walkways. The inspiration for this part of our project



Special thanks to Joe Helming and crew of Helming Bros. Inc. for their experienced and dedicated work through thick and thin, good weather and bad...our roofing project is in good hands!



was the need for a space close to the monastery where our nuns, in particular our elder sisters, can go outdoors for exercise, quiet prayer, or relaxation, while staying sheltered from heat and the elements.

Aaron Nacey of AXIOM architecture has completed the architectural renderings, and they look marvelous! We are just waiting on the engineers to review. We are finding that many contractors, engineers, and even our own architect, are overloaded with work as a consequence of the pandemic: so many clients and projects stalled or put on hold in the uncertainty of 2020 have now begun in earnest and are demanding time and attention from a limited amount of workers. Getting everyone on the job and in sync is not easy. Will the cloister walkways be completed in time for the celebration of our 75th anniversary of founding in the Owensboro diocese on October 7? We just can't say for sure. May Divine Providence guide the timeline!

Once the architectural work is complete, the walkways will be in the hands of Rick Bivins of JMJ Construction, and Aaron will be able to pick up the work on the design of the Holy Family Wing. We look forward to seeing our chapter room, recreation room, exercise room, museum, and storage space come to life on Aaron's drawing board, and before long, in brick and mortar!

Your Support

Our fundraising is moving along, with the help of St. Joseph, who of course is in charge of the whole project. He has been taking care of this monastic community for its 75 years of existence and we know he's got this! We pray for his guidance and care daily. In 18 months you and St. Jo-



Sisters had to make sure the stairwell was safe for the crew!

Prayer to Saint Joseph

O glorious St. Joseph, you who have power to render possible things that are for us impossible, come to our aid in our present need. Take our construction and renovation project under your particular care that it may end happily.

O dear St. Joseph, all our confidence is in you. Let it not be said that we have invoked you in vain! And since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary, show that your goodness equals your power. Amen.

Pencil drawing of St. Joseph by Sr. Frances Marie was a gift to Mother John Mary for her feastday. See monastery in back of St. Joseph.



seph have raised almost \$1.8M. It has been inspiring to experience the generosity of so many good people, even in the midst of this time that is marked by financial uncertainty. We have been inspired by so many of you and your stories have warmed our hearts, so much so that we have included a few highlights in our donor appreciation listing. Thanks to all of you we are almost to the half-way mark of our \$3.6 million goal. That is exciting, but it also means we have a ways to go. We can't tell you how much your kind support of our project means to us.

How We Pray for You

A term we like to use is that we "carry you in our hearts", which truly we do. Throughout our days of prayer, work, and praise, we are aware that in God's Providence, we would not be able to be here, doing what we do, without you. A monastic day

finds us participating in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, coming together seven times for the Church's Liturgy of the Hours, alone with the Lord for two hours of personal prayer, not to mention Lectio Divina, study, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, and the Offerings of the Precious Blood. Our aim is to be a sacrifice of praise to God, channels of His redeeming grace, and intercessors for His people. Now, you know prayer is not ALL we do, but it IS "what we are here for", and you hold a special place in those prayers as you give of yourselves to support our community needs.

When you come out to our monastery for a retreat, a walk on our grounds (or just to see our glori-





Sr Mary Andrea's parents help blend tile.

ous new roof!), you are entering into a little part of our monastic sanctuary of prayer. While folks from near and far come and go, gracing us with their presence for an afternoon or a weekend, we nuns commit ourselves to remain here always, offering a ceaseless canticle of praise to God, coupled with the offering of a life of silence, work, and self-oblation for the needs of His people. This is our home. The courtyard, the chapel, the recreation room, the other rooms and areas of the monastery that make up the cloister, are the arena of the mission we share as a community of sisters united in prayer, work, and praise.

Through our Cherish the Flame renovation and expansion and with your help, these spaces of our life and prayer will better fulfill community and individual needs so that our Sisters here now and those to come can live our unique vocation with health and wholeness, and with one heart and voice continue the hymn of praise and intercession that has ascended from this Kentucky cloister for seventy-five years. To all of you, our brothers and sisters in Christ and fellow-workers with us in the Vineyard of the Lord, we send a huge Thank You!

Visit our website's building campaign page to see color photos of the project and watch the fundraising developments!
www.passionistnuns.org/cherish-the-flame



We are a 501(c)3 Tax Exempt Religious Organization

Several persons have asked us lately if we have a Federal Tax ID # and if we are 501 (c) 3 tax exempt charity. *Yes to all of the above!*

We gladly receive Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD's) from donor's IRA accounts both for our general fund and for our Cherish the Flame Campaign. Thank you for remembering us in your charitable distributions.

We do seek to support ourselves through the stipends received through our solitude retreat house ministry. But our main work is prayer and none of us has yet gotten a pay check from Heaven! We count on your financial gifts to continue our mission of prayer in the Church. We thank you for making our life possible by your remembrance of us.



Last summer Mother John Mary knew she needed help in the area of fundraising. There are so many ideas out there of what we can do to raise funds! How does a busy monastery superior figure it out? In August we hired **Faith Holley**, Certified Fundraising Executive. Her help in charting a course of action especially in the midst of a pandemic has been a God-send.



Cherish Our Donors

Giving Levels

GUARDIANS OF THE FLAME - \$250,000 & UP
HEARTS ABLAZE - \$100,000 & UP
TONGUES OF FIRE - \$75,000 & UP

TORCH BEARERS - \$50,000 & UP
BURNING BRAZIER - \$25,000 & UP
FLAMES OF LOVE - \$10,000 & UP

LAMPS OF FAITH - \$5,000 & UP
CANDLES OF HOPE - \$2,500 & UP
GOLDEN BOOK OF DONORS - ANY AMOUNT

Our Fundraising Venture

Friends, we began fundraising with letters and phone calls in November 2019 followed up with a dinner a few months before the pandemic hit. At that time we were blessed with some very large pledges. We made a slight mention of our project in our Lent 2020 newsletter and were surprised by an outpouring of donations that have continued to this day. November of 2020 we published our color booklet and there was a great turn out with the largest donation yet falling in the category of the Guardians of the Flame. We thank each and every one of you for your gifts that show you believe in our mission and want to see Passionist life flourish in St Joseph Monastery for many years to come. The following list is compiled from November 2019 through mid-April 2021. Please notify us of any omissions or errors.

GUARDIANS OF THE FLAME

Ruth Helen Wright

HEARTS ABLAZE

Ronald and Sandra Bickers
John and Helen Cornell

TONGUES OF FIRE

Be the first in this category!

TORCH BEARERS

Anonymous - 1
In memory of John "Diddle" Lanham
Roseann Aliano in memory of Vincent Aliano
Lena Aull in memory of Joe Aull
William Danhauer in memory of Jean Danhauer
Dave and Carol Niehaus
William O'Bryan Wright and Shannon Sullivan Wright
Tim and Jane Wynn

BURNING BRAZIER

Anonymous - 1
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Ernie and Martha Loueva Davis
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Greg Mills
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Gail Reisz Branch in memory of Guy Reisz

FLAMES OF LOVE

Anonymous - 1
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John M and Kathy R Wright

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Keith and Christina Kelley
Cindy and Gerald Mattingly
Keith P and Lisa W Mills
Marilyn H Mills
William M and Sherry O'Bryan in memory of Henry and Mary Williams LaRue O'Bryan
The Passionist Nuns of Erlanger, KY in honor of the 25 years of Passionist Nuns in Whitesville, KY
Megan Silas
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Clarence A "Woody" Woodall, III

GOLDEN BOOK OF DONORS

Anonymous - 20
In honor of the Jim Baumgarten family:
Gail, Dorothy and their children
In memory of Homer and Joy Belcher
In memory of Srs Rose Mary and Rita
Marie Boteler CP
In memory of Fr Charles Cummings OCSO
In memory of Sr Therese Marie Pritchard CP
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Charlene and Crystal
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Ron and Sandra Bickers in memory of
Donald Timothy Wynn
Barry and Alice Bickett in honor of Ralph
and Catherine Mudd
Thomas and Trudy Bieger
N Martha Blair
Hannah Bland
Karin Blute in memory of Donald Timothy Wynn

In mid-march, 25 donations came in from the hometown of one of our sisters. Her mother had organized a fundraiser as a surprise for us for the feast of St. Joseph, pledging a homemade loaf of St. Joseph Bread to anyone who donated to our campaign during his novena. She credits St. Joseph himself with the inspiration for the initiative. "After all, it's well known that St. Joseph is born and bread to raise dough to fill your every knead!" Thanks Mom, and thank you St. Joseph!

Gene and Margaret Boehmann
Janet M Boice
Emogene Bowlds
Joseph R "JR" and Paula Bowlds
Joseph S and Cheryl Bowing
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and Shelby
Rev J Edward Bradley
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Mary Brown in memory of Joan Clark Toth
Frankie and Tina Burch
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Don and Barb Butler in memory of Bill and
Rita Alvey
Edward and Karen Butler
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Fr. Lou Caporiccio CPM
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Carmelite Monastery of Rochester NY
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Joyce Culin
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Barbara Jo Dixon
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Eleanor Durr
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Michael and Becky Ebelhar
Thomas and Janet Ebelhar in memory of
Joan Clark Toth
Danny and Dottie Edge
Laura Ruth Edge

Kindly report if we have omitted or mislabeled any donors. A permanent publication of names will be created at the end of the project. Email us at nunsp@passionistnuns.org

This Easter, we received a touching note and donation from a local young woman. As a Lenten sacrifice, she had cut back on unnecessary spending and wanted to use the money she had saved to contribute to our campaign. "I have always appreciated the Passionists, and since you all have undergone a fundraising effort for renovations and such, I figured this was a worthwhile cause. I hope this helps a bit for you all to reach your goal. You live an amazingly beautiful life. I hope the renovations and expansions go smoothly! You all deserve it!" Such beautiful, sacrificial giving!

Sarah Steele Edge
Jim and Debbie Egen
Carolyn (Susie) Elpers in memory of
Larry J Elpers
Christopher Errante
Dave and Karen Evans
Paul J Evich
Mrs Deborah K Fancher in honor of
Mary B Fancher
Carmel Fargen in memory of Ed and
Dorothy Kimmel
Thales and Kate Finchum
Jacob Fischer
Mary Paula Fisher
Ann Flaherty
Dennis M Flaherty in honor of Mother
Catherine Marie Schuhmann CP
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Gary and Norma Folz
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my grandmother Anna Roche Adams
and her sister Mother M Agnes Roche CP
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Joe and Pam Higdon
Cindy Hinz
Matthew Hinz
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Barbara Hodskins in memory of Bob Hodskins
Virginia Horton in memory of Bob Horton
Bob and Doris Howard

Thank you to all who are sharing about our campaign with your friends and family. And to those who have sent us names of persons to whom we can send out our fundraising booklet.

Special thanks due to the extraordinary efforts of Michael Edge, and Bob Smith for spreading the word about our project!

A faithful monthly donor has increased her gift, adding an extra \$25 each month as a contribution to the project, in memory of her deceased husband, who was a roofer. She never fails to promise prayers for the project and keeps her hubby in heaven busy, too, asking him to watch over the roof work. He has a good view of the progress, now that he is with the Lord! The blessing of the financial contribution coupled with so many prayers cannot be measured!

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Henderson, Elmer and Marcella
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*A medical doctor and mission-
 ary in Africa encountered our
 monastery for the first time in
 October 2020, when she came
 for a ten-day retreat in our
 Retreat House. During her stay
 she learned about our project,
 and a few months later, felt
 inspired by the Lord to sup-
 port our Cherish the Flame
 campaign on a regular basis by
 setting up a monthly donation
 on-line via PayPal.*

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 Kathy Marzec
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 Jim and Laura Mattingly in memory of
 Joan Clark Toth
 James and Donna May in memory of
 Donald Timothy Wynn
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 Ronnie and Patsy Mayfield
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Our Cloister Walkway coming soon...



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Nathan Schaum
Angelo and Michelle Scherer
Ken Schmitt

During Advent 2020, the mom of one of our sisters sent our fundraising booklet with a personal note to many cousins and relatives, and offered up her Advent prayers and sacrifices for the success of the Cherish the Flame Campaign.

Memorials of those who are no longer with us on earth and are still beloved were sent to our Cherish the Flame campaign.

Thanks to **Aaron Nacey** and the team at AXIOM Architecture for their dedicated work through the uncertainties of the pandemic. Renderings on these pages highlight his design of our cloister walkway whose construction will commence soon!



Marc and Ashley Thomson Family
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*A former retreatant sent a letter in
 March sharing of the graces of a re-
 treat she made long ago. She wanted
 to give us her Required Minimum
 Distribution of her IRA wondering if
 we would receive this type of dona-
 tion and send her a letter in response
 stating our 501©3 status as a reli-
 gious organization. We gladly did so!*



*For Christmas one benefactress
 asked her family to send us dona-
 tions to our campaign instead of
 giving one another gifts.*

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From the beginning of our Cherish the Flame Project we were told it was quite audacious. Yes, I guess it is a bold initiative, but it is a fruit of our community prayer and dialogue on our current and future needs for the fulfillment of our mission. Our God never stops doing marvelous deeds.

Will you be an instrument in bringing about these marvelous deeds by giving a financial gift? I hope that after reading this update you will be convinced to give, or to give again, to this God-inspired endeavor. Regardless, would you pray for the fruitfulness of this endeavor?

May God be your reward!

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