

## Dear Family,

As the sun begins to thaw the frozen ground here in Wisconsin, we turn our eyes towards the great mystery of the Resurrection of our Lord. The season of Lent begins in the bleak winter in the Midwest, where we are given plenty of opportunities for interior renewal and our own personal springtime as we draw near to our glorified Resurrected Lord! It is a time for us to turn to our Heavenly Father and speak to Him from our hearts, removing the obstacles and distractions that so often keep us from hearing His Voice. The Divine Child Jesus is our model for growing in this relationship with our loving Father. We see Him always trusting and joyful in His total surrender to His Father's plan. Even while suffering His Passion and Death, we see Him turning to His Father in loving trust.

Father, not as I will but as You will. (Matthew 26:39)
Into Your Hands, Father, I commend My Spirit. (Luke 23:46)

I remember when I was very small, waking up early on Easter morning, hoping to find my Easter basket full of goodies! I recall so much excitement and joy as my siblings and I peered in our baskets to see what surprises were there! Let us ask our risen Savior, to grant us the humility, simplicity, trust and grateful hearts of little children, for He tells us, Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it. (Mark 10:15)

How do we 'accept' the Kingdom of God as a child? Some of us may approach the gates of Heaven with our long list of spiritual accomplishments, feeling that we have earned it. Some of us may approach the Kingdom with the entitled feeling that we deserve it because we were raised Catholic. But a child would approach the Kingdom with empty hands as St. Therese once said, "In the evening of life I shall appear before you with empty hands, for I am not asking you, Lord, to count my works." Yes, a child accepts the Kingdom of God humbly and gratefully, as a pure gift from its Father, knowing that it could never be earned, only accepted with loving gratitude.

We are excited to announce that we are undertaking a **new building project!** As our convent is separate from our chapel building, we are looking to connect the two areas with an addition that would include a laundry room, offices, bedrooms, and a meeting room. This addition would also allow for sisters to have nocturnal adoration, provide more lodging for young women interested in joining our community, and make our convent more conducive to our contemplative life of prayer. If you would like to support our mission by becoming a part of this exciting building project, we would be so grateful to receive your financial support.

May Our Lord who conquered the grave, conquer your heart and bring you into His everlasting kingdom!

In His Heart,

Mother Mary Agnes of Jesus







building project.







Pray & Work!

Puppy Update:

Michaela, our yellow lab was near death from blastomycosis, a fungus disease we learned to be on our property near the river. With God's help and mercy, he sent us a vet just in time to restore her to full health. She is running around and playing like a puppy again. Thank you Jesus!



Egg Hunt





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Pray & Play







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