



Poor Clares of Montana

A project for the Montana State Catholic Daughters of the Americas:

POOR CLARES Mission:

The Poor Clares of Montana, daughters of St. Clare and St. Francis of Assisi, are called to live the Holy Gospel in the contemporary Church. We are dedicated to a life of contemplative prayer in an enclosed community, dependent of God's providence, providing a place where all are welcome to experience God's presence and peace.

The Life of a Poor Clare:

What we do all day, whether it is work to help support ourselves, the upkeep of the house and common life, walking for exercise, leisure activities, or the times of prayer, it is all prayer. Each action of our lives, when it is done for the glory of God, is part of our life of prayer.

Prayer and Community are the two mainstays of our life as Poor Clares. They are like two pillars upon which everything else rests. Without one the other would not stand, the whole structure would fall. Therefore, to speak of prayer it is necessary to understand that our life of prayer is possible because we live in community with others who challenge and support us. Together we are able to live a life of prayer.

The Monastery:

Located in Great Falls, Montana, the monastery has two retreat apartments, each with two bedrooms, a shower, cooking facilities and a deck. You can retreat on your own, ask for a directed retreat and/or request spiritual direction. Also on site are meeting rooms and gathering rooms... all for a minimal fee. Donations are requested for all services but financial support is available if the need is there. Donations are also welcome and appreciated from the community.

For more information on the Poor Clares of Montana, visit their website: poorclaresmt.org