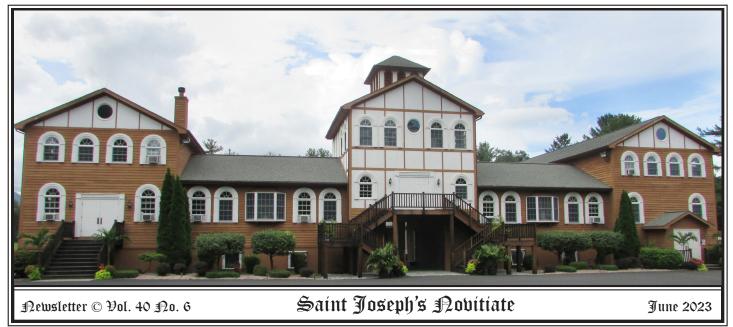
Daughters of Mary, Mother of Our Savior



"Lord, grant unto Thy Church saintly priests and fervent religious." - 300 days' indulgence

FROM THE MOTHER GENERAL

Dear Friends of the Daughters of Mary,

On July 2, the Feast of the Visitation of Our Lady, we will hold the ceremonies of Reception of the Habit, Renewal of Vows, Perpetual Vows and Silver Jubilee. These ceremonies are a reminder to each Sister of the day on which she dedicated herself to God in religious life. As we give thanks to Him on the anniversary of our vows, we also pray that He will bestow the treasure of a religious vocation on many others. May He grant them the grace and strength to "leave all things and follow" Him.

What Is a Religious Vocation

A vocation is the grace God gives to choose the way of life in which we can best know, love, and serve Him in this life and be happy with Him forever in Heaven. It is a call from God to either the married or single state, or to religious life.

By his ordination a Catholic priest becomes another Christ. It is his great privilege to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and to distribute the Sacraments to the faithful. In this way he is the mediator between God and man. He also assists souls in reaching Heaven by his teaching and guidance. As St. John Vianney explains, "The priest has the key of the heavenly treasures; it is he who opens the door; he is the steward of the good God, the distributor of His wealth."

