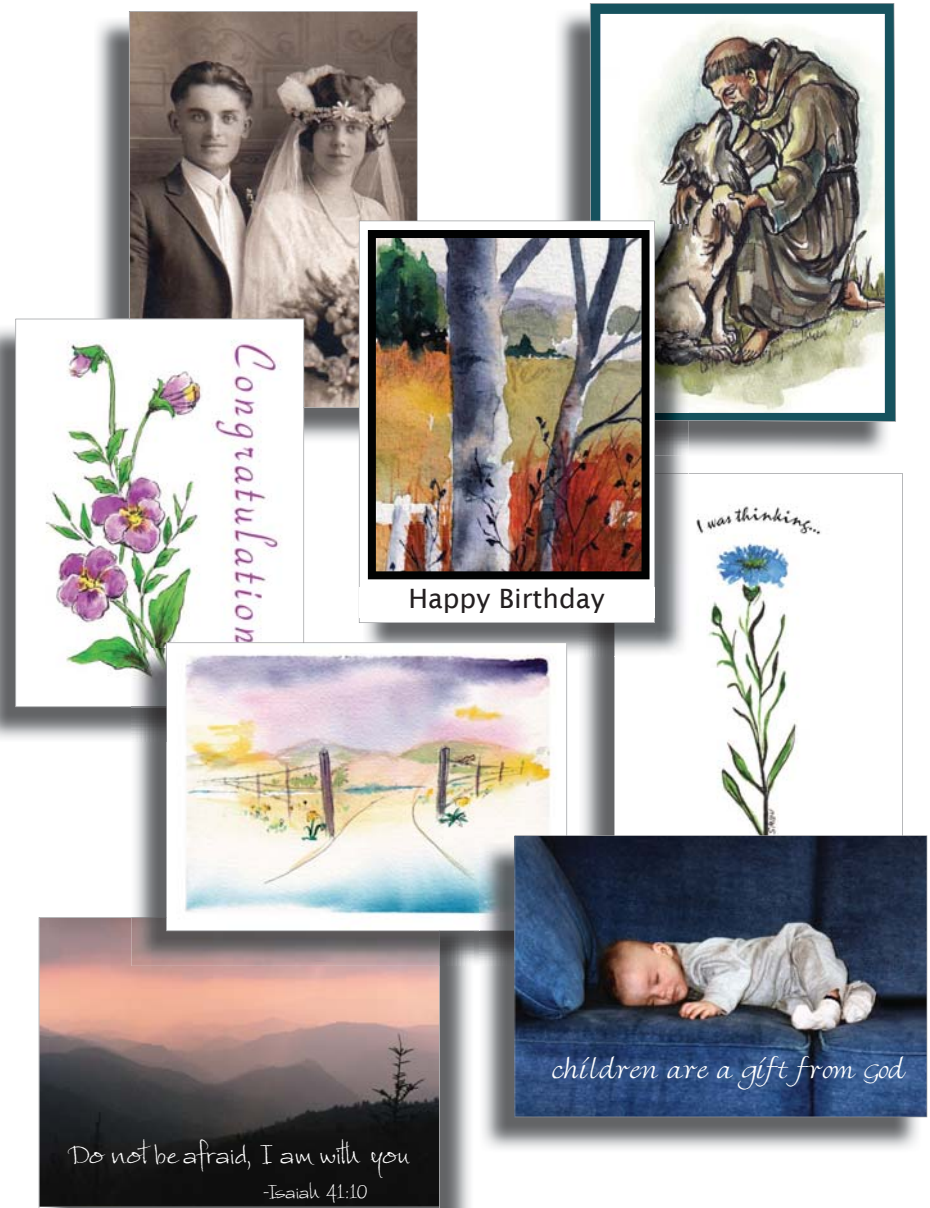


The Gift of Prayer

The Book of Remembrances

One of the most powerful forms of prayer is that of remembering. We remember the good times, the hard times, our friends, relatives and those we meet on the way. This meeting of souls creates a profound resonance between us. Because of our relationship with relatives and friends, we cherish a wealth of memories. "God gave us memory that we might have roses in December," wrote J. M. Barrie.

Therefore, we, the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, humbly place before God our prayers for all those, living and deceased, whose names are entered in this Book of Remembrances. These names are like a golden thread that unites us in a mutual relationship with each other and with God, whom we believe will give a happy ending to our life story.



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Give the Gift of Prayer

Whether it's a time of happiness or one of sadness, giving the gift of prayer is the perfect way to let someone know that you care. Through our Gift of Prayer program, the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate offer a variety of cards, as well as memorial and honorarium books featuring the artwork and photography of some of our Sisters.

The card recipient will be entered into the *Book of Remembrances* and will be remembered in the daily prayers and Masses of our Sisters who minister in the U.S. and Brazil.



Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti, OSF



Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF



Sr. Kay Francis Berger, OSF

*Our
Artists*



Sr. Jaye Nelson, OSF



Sr. Maria Bui, OSF



Sr. Marie Miller, OSF

Anniversary

Front:

Love Endures

Inside:

*Congratulations on celebrating
another year of your life together.*

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How to Use Prayer Cards & Books

Send a special card to your family members or friends. Be sure to print the information on the reply envelope including the individual's name to be entered into the *Book of Remembrances*.

Your donation may then be sent in the reply envelope that is included with each card. The suggested donation for Prayer Cards is \$5 and for Memorial or Honorarium books is \$25.

An order form is enclosed with this booklet. You may also request more cards by visiting us on our website, via e-mail, by fax, or by calling us. Thank you for your support.

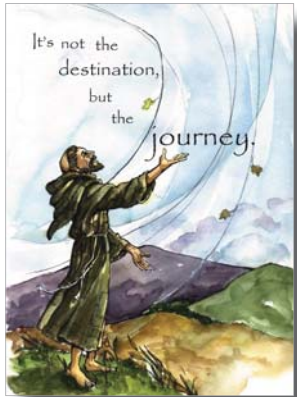
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Ordination or Jubilee



Sr. Kay Francis Berger, OSF

Front:

It's not the destination, but the journey...

Inside:

Congratulations on reaching this milestone on your journey with God!

Front:

We should be as a shining lamp, giving light to all around us.
- Catherine McAuley

Inside:

May your light shine even more brightly on this special day!

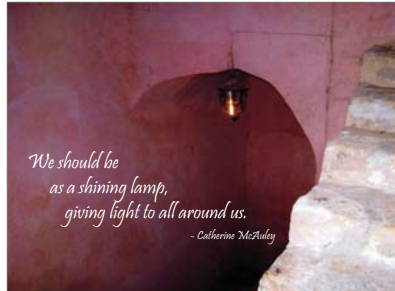


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Wedding or Anniversary



Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF

Inside:

If I know what love is, it is because of you.

- Herman Hesse

Honorarium & Memorial Books

These folders feature a full-color print by Kay Francis Berger, OSF. Each measures 6.5 inches by 8.5 inches closed.

In Loving Memory

Be praised my Lord through Sister Death, from whose embrace no one can escape. Happy are those who are found in your most holy will.

Canticle of the Sun
St. Francis

(Hardcover in Purple or White)



On This Special Occasion...

*The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord show His face to you and have mercy upon you;
The Lord turn His countenance to you and give you peace.*

Blessing of
St. Francis

(White Hardcover only)



Prayer

Prayer is essential to our daily lives. Directed by Jesus to “pray always,” we integrate our prayer and ministries, letting the spirit of prayer permeate the whole of our lives. While the Eucharist remains central to our lives, prayer enriches us in a variety of forms, both communally and individually.

In prayer we relate to God in every moment of our living, believing that our thanksgiving, praise, sorrow and needs are heard. With joy and humility, we give thanks for all that God continues to accomplish within us, among us, and through us!

Baby Cards

Front:

children are a gift from God

Inside:

*The Kingdom of Heaven
belongs to them*

- Matthew 19:14



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Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF

Inside:

Children are the hands by
which we take hold
of heaven.

Henry Ward Beecher

In Sympathy

Front:

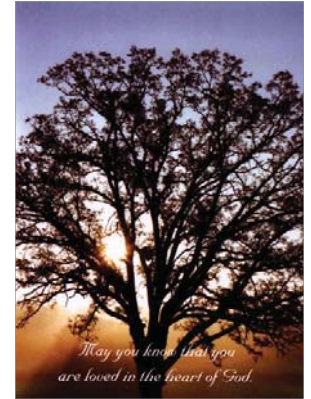
*May you know that you are loved
in the heart of God.*

Inside:

*You are in my prayers and thoughts
especially at this time of loss.*

*May the compassion of those around you
be a comfort to you.*

*May you know that you are loved
in the heart of God.*



Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF

Inside:

*You are in my thoughts and prayers
especially at this time of loss.*

*May the compassion of those around you
be a comfort to you.*

*May you know that you
are loved in the heart of God.*



Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF

*This card has been left
blank on the inside so you
can write whatever you
wish to send to a friend,
neighbor, or family member.*



Sr. Kay Francis Berger, OSF

In Sympathy

Inside:

In Sympathy
The Name of

has been inscribed by the
Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate
in their Book of Remembrances.

Those whose names are written in this book are
remembered in a special Mass celebrated each month
and in daily prayers and Masses of the Sisters.



Sr. Maria Bui, OSF



Sr. Marie Miller, OSF

Front:

May God comfort you

Inside:

*And may the love of those around you
help you through the days ahead.*

With Deepest Sympathy.



Sr. Jaye Nelson, OSF

Inside:

*May God bless you and guide you
in these difficult days.*

My prayers are with you.

Birthday Cards



Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti, OSF

Front: *Happy Birthday!*

Inside: *May the Lord
bless and keep you
on this special day.*

Happy Birthday!

Front:

Happy Birthday

Inside:

May the Lord
bless you in this new year
of your life.

Happy Birthday!

Sr. Marie Miller, OSF



Happy Birthday



Sr. Maria Bui, OSF

Congratulations

Inside:

Congratulations on this
Happy Occasion!

Thinking of You

Front:
I was thinking...

Inside:
of you!
*May the Lord bless
and keep you!*



Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti, OSF

Thank you

Front:
Thank you...

Inside:
*May God bless you
for your kindness!*

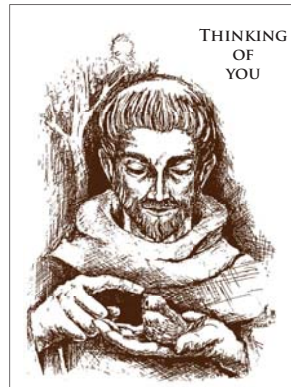


Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti, OSF

Thinking of You - Support

Front: Thinking of you

Inside:
May your deep faith and my
prayers support you now.
May you know and feel
the love of our Lord, Jesus.
May the Lord bless and keep you
always.



Sr. Kay Francis Berger, OSF

Get Well



Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti, OSF

Inside:
May the Lord hold you
in the palm of His hand
while you recover!

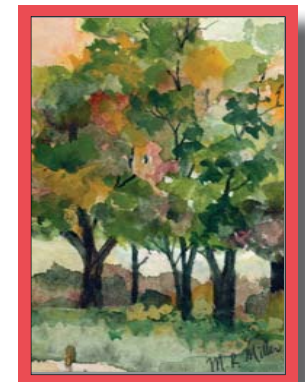
Front:
Do not be afraid, I am with you
- Isaiah 41:10

Inside:
*May the peace of God
fill your heart and comfort you.*



Sr. Marianne Saieg, OSF

Inside:
*May you feel God's love
as you rest and heal.*
*Know that we are praying
for your full recovery.*



Sr. Marie Miller, OSF