Prayer Service



Sister Clare Lawlor September 14, 1950—July 9, 2025

Nazareth Center Chapel Tuesday, July 29, 2025 11:00 a.m. **Prelude:** *Can't Help Falling in Love* (back page)

Welcome

Opening Song: How Can I Keep from Singing

BB #569, vss. 1, 2, 5

Leader: God of Faithfulness, you have called Sister

Clare into Your loving presence. May she

be united with all the saints and angels and all of

creation and rest in your peace forever.

All: Amen

Antiphon: ALL You are gracious, O God, and full of compassion.

Psalm 116

- I love the Lord, who listened to my voice in supplication, who turned an ear to me on the day I called.
- I was caught by the cords of death;
 the snares of Sheol had seized me;
 I felt agony and dread.
 Then I called on the name of the Lord,
 "O Lord, save my life!"
- Gracious is the Lord and righteous;
 yes, our God is merciful.
 The Lord protects the simple;
 I was helpless, but God saved me.

Return my soul, to your rest;
the Lord has been very good to you.
For my soul has been freed from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.
I shall walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Antiphon: ALL You are gracious, O God, and full of compassion.

Reading: Falling Upwards

Excerpt from Richard Rohr

Reflection and Sharing

Prayer to St. Agnes:

Behold, what I long coveted, I already see; what I hoped for I now hold safe. To God alone I am associated in Heaven, whom on earth I loved with all devotedness.

Leader: Pray for us, St. Agnes.

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we, who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr, Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song: Soon and Very Soon BB #594

Wise ones say, "Only fools rush in" but **I can't help falling in love with you.**

Shall I stay? Would it be a sin if I can't help falling in love with you?

Like a river flows surely to the sea,

Darling, so it goes ~

some things are meant to be.

Take my hand. Take my whole life, too, for I can't help falling in love with you.

Can't Help Falling in Love by Elvis Presley

