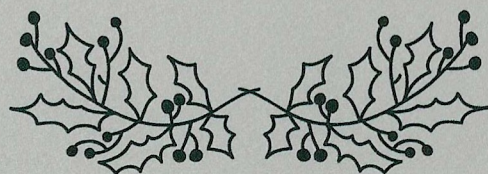


“This is what is asked of you:  
act justly; love tenderly;  
walk humbly with your God.”

— *Micah 6:8*



Dear Robert and Joan,

For more than one hundred years, the Adrian Dominican Sisters have walked a path of compassion as they live the Dominican tradition of preaching through prayer, study, common life, and ministry. From those early days to today, the Sisters have shared and continue to share their love and compassion with others.

Sister Maureen O'Connell, OP, thought it unconscionable that formerly incarcerated women had so many obstacles and so few opportunities to build a stable life. In 2001, she founded Angela House in Houston to provide women with basic necessities such as food and shelter, but also therapy, education and job training. Angela House has now served hundreds of people.

In addition, the Sisters show compassion to one another. At the Dominican Life Center on the campus of the Motherhouse in Adrian, a group of caring Chaplains provide a space where our elder Sisters have an opportunity for discernment, community, spirituality and prayer.

But, compassion is not only about human connection. The Sisters have long been engaged in efforts to protect the integrity of creation and bring about a more just, peaceful and compassionate world. In Detroit, Sister Janet Stankowski, OP, co-founded Voices for Earth Justice, an interfaith organization that helps diverse faith communities engage in environmental awareness and action.

So many of you have shared your stories of compassion with me over the years. Just like me and my family, you have also felt the love and compassion of the Adrian Dominican Sisters in your life. We invite you to share a gift with the Sisters this Christmas so that they can continue to share loving compassion.

We wish you and your loved ones a most blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. We hold you in our daily prayers and thank you for joining us as we make our world a more compassionate place.

Christmas Blessings,

Amy Palmer, MA, CFRE

p.s. Visit [www.adriandominicans.org/compassion](http://www.adriandominicans.org/compassion) for moving stories of love and compassion.





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*May we  
love one another...*

