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Dear Friends,

“Return to me with all your heart” (Joel 2:12)

The season of Lent is more than half over already! So how are you doing with returning to God with all your heart? That seems like a tall order, doesn't it?! How do I do it with ALL my heart? And in only six weeks, or less!

First, one day at a time! I ask God for the grace to be open to the invitations I receive today in the everyday circumstances of my life. May I recognize God's presence nudging me to do that next right thing for myself or someone else — and to say “yes.”

Each time I say “yes” to God, my heart opens wider and moves closer to that deep desire that lies quietly within my soul, even without my conscious awareness. God is always ready to maximize our smallest effort to begin again, no matter how often!

So let's make the most of the remaining days of this season of repentance, renewing our commitment to put God first in our lives. Let God show you how.

We pray for our country and our world, all our brothers and sisters, to be drawn into the precious mystery of God's total self-gift of unconditional love that is available to every one of us!

We hold you and your intentions in our life of prayer each day.

With a grateful heart,

Sr. Nancy

Sr. Nancy and all your Poor Clare Sisters

May almighty God bless you. May God look upon you with mercy and give you peace.

— Blessing of St. Clare