

ST. CLARE OF ASSISI: THE IMPORTANT EVENTS OF HER LIFE

- 1193 July 16 Clare Offreduccio is born in Assisi, Italy
- 1199 The Offreduccio family is exiled from Assisi to Perugia
- 1206 Francis' conversion, his prayer before the crucifix at San Damiano, he repairs the church and predicts the coming of the Poor Ladies
- 1209 Francis' Rule receives the approval of Pope Innocent III
- 1210 Clare hears Francis preach in Assisi
- 1212 Palm Sunday, March 20, Clare makes her flight to the Portiuncula and receives the habit from Francis
- 1212 Clare is moved from San Paolo in Bastia to Sant' Angelo di Panzo
- 1212 Clare begins the foundation at San Damiano with her sister Agnes – originally called the order of San Damiano (the Damianites), commonly known as 'The Poor Ladies'
- 1214 Sister Bolvina, Clare's companion, founded a community of Damianites in Spello
- 1215 Pope Innocent III calls the Fourth Lateran Council
- 1216 Clare reluctantly, but obediently, accepts the role of Abbess of San Damiano
- 1215-16 Pope Innocent III grants Clare and the Poor Ladies the Privilege of Poverty
- 1217 Cardinal Hugolino arrives in Tuscany as Papal Legate
- 1219 Cardinal Hugolino issues a Rule based on that of St. Benedict, but not including Privilege of Poverty or ministry by the Friars Minor
- 1219 Agnes is sent as Abbess to Monticello, near Florence
- 1224 The beginning of Clare's illness; Francis receives the Stigmata
- 1226 Oct 3 Francis dies at the Portiuncula
- 1227 Pope Gregory IX (formerly Cardinal Hugolino) dispenses the Poor Ladies from Clare's ideals of Poverty and removes the Friars as chaplains
- 1228 Gregory IX restores the Privilege of Poverty and ministry by the Friars Minor

- 1229 Princess Agness, the daughter of the King of Bohemia, establishes a monastery in Prague, becomes its Abbess and eventually becomes St. Agnes of Prague
- 1230 Francis' body is transferred to the Basilica of St. Francis
- 1240 Saracens attack the monastery of San Damiano... Clare repels the attack with her prayer before the Blessed Sacrament
- 1241 Miracle of the liberation of the city of Assisi from Vitale d'Aueria on June 22 by the intercession of Clare before the Blessed Sacrament
- 1247 Rule of Pope Innocent IV lessens fasting, permits possessions. The "Damianites" to the Franciscan Order. Rule of St. Benedict abandoned
- 1250 Pope Innocent IV declares Poor Ladies not bound to his Rule
- 1252 Cardinal Raynaldusco approves Clare's Rule, September 16
- 1252 Clare's fourth and last known letter to Agnes of Prague
- 1253 150 monasteries of Poor Ladies have been established throughout Europe
- 1253 Pope Innocent IV visits Clare at San Damiano
- 1253 Aug. 8 Clare has a vision of the Virgin Mary with heavenly virgins
- 1253 Aug. 9 Clare's Rule is finally approved by Papal Bull 'Solet annure'
- 1253 Aug. 11 Clare dies peacefully at San Damiano
- 1253 Oct. 18 Pope Innocent IV orders inquiry into Clare's life
- 1253 Nov Death of Clare's sister, (St.) Agnes of Assisi
- 1255 Aug. 15 St. Clare is canonized by Pope Alexander IV (formerly Cardinal Raynoldus)
- 1260 The Poor Ladies are transferred from San Damiano to the Basilica of St. Clare within the walls of Assisi
- 1263 Rule of Pope Urban IV - The Poor Ladies from here on will take the name "The Order of St. Clare"
- 1850 Aug. 30 Sarcophagus and remains of St. Clare are found
- 1872 Clare's body is placed in the new crypt of Basilica of St. Clare
- 1893 Original Rule of St. Clare is found in a fold of her mantle