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Thank you.

Well, here we are right in the middle of this wonderful winter! I think bears have the right idea. Hibernation! At any rate we can still be grateful for the good days we have, and that February is just around the corner. We hope all of you had a Blessed Christmas and a good start into the New Year.

We are all moving (I use the term loosely) around OK. Thank God for the inventors of braces, wheelchairs, canes, rollators and walkers. We mourn the death of our dear Sr. Angela, but we rejoice in her new found freedom from sickness and pain and remember the good times we shared with her.

We had an exciting two weeks here in Newport. It seems that a valve froze. As a result, all Newport and parts of Middletown had the gas service cut off during some of the coldest days this month. We were lucky because we have oil heat. Schools, churches, many small businesses, restaurants, and many other places were closed. Sr. Bernadette was evacuated along with the other residents of St. Clare's and there was quite a bit of turmoil in town. It took several days to fix it and there were gas and electric trucks all over town. Thank God, we were lucky, it could have been like the explosion in Massachusetts, where so many people lost their homes. (That will teach me to complain about the cold...and I was one of the lucky warm ones.)

I hope and pray the rest of winter will be easy on all of us, especially the immigrants and displaced women and children in our country and so many others. We must remember too, the meeting of the Pope with the Bishops in February. We have a lot to pray for in these winter days. May the Lord bless all of you and remember, the Clunys are praying for you.

Sister Anne Marie

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"From angry to amazing"



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