



# *Graymoor's Well ... a spring of living water!*

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GRAYMOOR



SHRINE

SISTERS' WAYSIDE SHRINE WELCOMES YOU TO  
GRAYMOOR ~ ROUTE 9



Dear Friend:

Located on the very busy commuter NY Route 9, passing travelers and visitors to Graymoor notice the Crucifix Shrine. Beyond it are the Stations of the Cross, a triangle of green space, and the grotto of Our Lady of the Atonement.

Many stop to visit: flowers are offered with a moment of silence; prayers are lifted up; families meet in the green space in sad times or joyful. Long haul truckers in the middle of the night leave their rigs idling as they stop to pray.

A father lights a candle every day on his way to visit his hospitalized child. When his route changes, he leaves \$500 with the request that a Sister continue to light the candle for him each day. A despondent mother leaves the grotto of Our Lady of the Atonement renewed in spirit. A Jewish man tells me he salutes as he drives by, and I assure him that Jesus, a fellow Jew, must enjoy the salutation.

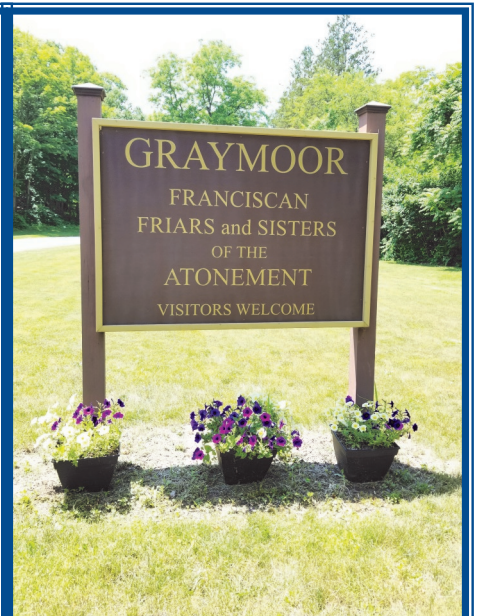
Following the destruction of the crucifix after a severe snow and wind storm on April 1, 1997, one of the first donations for its repair came with the request "Bring Jesus Back." We will never know the full impact of this shrine on those who come to visit, to attend retreats, stop at our Sisters' Gift Shop, or just drive by. Our Sisters pray for all whose lives are touched by this powerful reminder of Jesus' loving presence and action in our lives.

If you have an experience to share about your visit to the Shrine, we would love to hear from you.

*Sister Diane Bernier, SA*

Fund Development Director

For these several months we have not had the opportunity to welcome visitors or friends to indoor spaces at Graymoor, and we miss seeing you. Please check in advance for programs and spaces that will re-open gradually. The Sisters' chapel, St. John's Church and Our Lady of the Atonement Retreat House cannot presently provide enough "social distancing" space to meet current CDC Guidelines. Our Gift Shop is opened on a limited schedule. We pray for the day to come soon when we can once again welcome one and all.







**Our Lady of the Atonement Shrine**



**A Quiet Prayer at the Shrine**



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND GREEN SPACE**





SR. MARJORIE ANN MOON, SA  
6/23/1937 - 05/02/2020



SR. ROBERTA M.  
SOUTHWICK, SA  
04/18/1940 - 05/13/2020



SR. AGNES CLARE VITALE, SA  
11/26/1919 - 07/02/2020

**NOVEMBER 2020**

*During November, the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement will especially remember all who have died from COVID -19 and all who mourn their passing. We are particularly conscious of the many who could not even attend funerals with family and friends. You are invited to send us the names of persons you know who died - relatives, friends or co-workers. Our next mailing will give further details.*

**We welcome Sister Kristine Koba to our Development Department Staff.**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (August 2020)

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