An Open Letter to a Heart Unsatisfied

By Katy Oseguera

Bloom, my love for the time for darkness is over.

Grow, my strength as warmer days are on the horizon.

Educate, my mind as I learn what it means to be a woman.

Bloom, as the door you shut yourself behind opens once more.

Grow, my heart as you surround yourself with a passion rediscovered.

Educate, my eyes to see the beauty in days that are to come.

Bloom, my rose.

Grow, my heart.

Educate, my spirit.

Allow me to awaken myself from a slumber so deep

So relentless

So demanding

So draining

Allow me to become a woman of grace, of love, of wisdom, of God.

Senior Katy Oseguera wrote the above poem while reflecting on the Stations of the Cross in Mary Carroll’s Theology class. During our March 28th Chapel, Priory students, faculty, and staff recounted Jesus’ suffering with our annual Stations of the Cross ceremony. Theology classes found parallels between each station and today’s social justice issues. Katy’s “An Open Letter to a Heart Unsatisfied” not only invites us to reflect on Jesus’ suffering, but offers us a sign of hope, of Easter.

In Chapel last week, Fr. Martin celebrated our annual Easter Mass because we are on break for the actual holiday. Together, we look towards the Easter Season, new life and a fresh start. Together we celebrate that Jesus rose from the dead, forgiveness is powerful, accompaniment is necessary, and that love conquers all. In Katy’s words, may we all become people of grace, of love, of wisdom, of God.

*We wish you and your family a blessed Holy Week and Happy Easter!*

All are welcome to join the monastic community for services this week in Priory’s Chapel. See times on the sidebar of this mailing.