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## News Release

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#### **Benedictine postulant takes next monastic step**

**CLYDE, Mo.** – Clarisa Cutaia entered the novitiate of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration during a ceremony on Dec. 8 in the Adoration Chapel in Clyde.

Novice Clarisa began as a postulant in August 2007. Postulancy is the time where a newcomer lives within the monastic environment and, with guidance, tests her vocation and gives the community the opportunity to experience her as a potential member. During the past two years, Novice Clarisa has been learning more about monastic life, participating in communal prayer, taking classes and developing her personal prayer life.

“As a novice, Clarisa will have further instruction, spiritual guidance and a lived monastic experience that will help prepare her for monastic profession in our Benedictine way of life,” said Sister Rita Clair Dohn, OSB, postulant/novice director.

Clarisa, who was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, was raised in Metairie, La., a large suburb of New Orleans.



**Novice Clarisa Cutaia**

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