

# PATHS OF PEACE

The Labyrinth at St Clare Garden



Located at Our Lady of Angels  
Wheaton Franciscans



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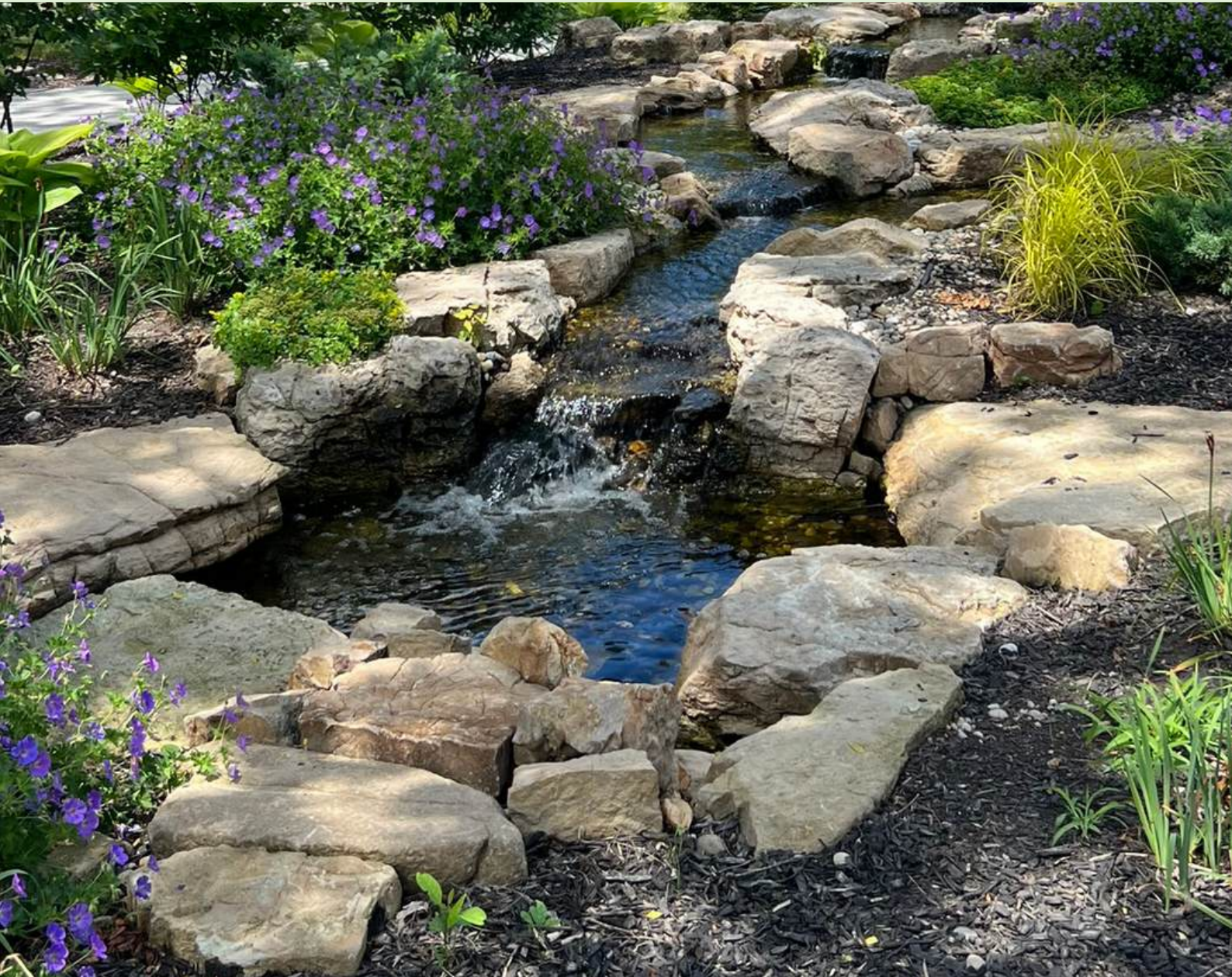
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The St Clare Garden is a place of gathering and contemplation.





## IT ALL BEGAN WITH A DREAM — ONE PATH AT A TIME

**T**he St Clare Garden provides a place of stillness and serenity that compliments the Peace Path walking trail and the Cosmic Walk currently located on the grounds of the Wheaton Franciscans.

**AMENITIES** include a large, shaded patio area for outdoor offerings with an adjacent lawn area for yoga and drumming. Secluded seating areas provide space for journaling and quiet conversation in a tranquil nature setting that includes a water feature and artwork in honor of St Clare.

**THANKS** to the generosity of our donors, the Labyrinth was added to the garden in fall of 2023. It completes the space by offering a meaningful addition for reflection, meditation, and spiritual connection along your journey.





**TAU CENTER** offers a range of eco-spirituality, creative offerings, and retreats are available for individuals and groups in this new space that aligns with the mission of Tau Center.

Adjacent to Our Lady of Angels Motherhouse, the St Clare Garden is a place of gathering and contemplation.



## Come Explore the Labyrinth and St Clare Garden at Tau Center

Nestled in the heart of nature,  
the St Clare Garden is a  
**SACRED SPACE**  
of **STILLNESS** and **SERENITY**.

In addition to the labyrinth,  
come walk our Peace Path,  
Cosmic Walk, and more.  
Discover hidden nooks  
for journaling, quiet conversation,  
or just **LISTENING TO THE STILLNESS**.





Located on the grounds of the  
Wheaton Franciscans,  
this **PEACEFUL OASIS**  
invites you to pause...  
to breathe... to simply be.

The garden offers more  
than beauty — it offers  
**CONNECTION.**  
To **YOURSELF**, to **SPIRIT**,  
and to the **EARTH.**



Explore a **CONTEMPLATIVE WATERFALL** — where time slows, and the steady cascade of water invites you to calm your mind and heart.

Whether you are seated nearby in **SILENT MEDITATION**, or simply passing through, the sound of water becomes a gentle guide — grounding you in the **PRESENT MOMENT**.

The waterfall flows through the heart of the garden itself — offering **CALM, CLARITY**, and an invitation to **RETURN TO PEACE**.









Throughout the garden,  
every corner speaks of  
**PEACE, PURPOSE,**  
and **PRESENCE.**

The **LABYRINTH** is where  
earth meets spirit.  
**A CONTEMPLATIVE PATH**  
guiding you inward,  
offering space for  
**REFLECTION** and **RENEWAL.**

Whether walked in silence  
or intention,  
alone or in community,  
it holds space for  
**CLARITY, HEALING,** and **PEACE.**





As you follow its winding course,  
distractions fall away  
and each step becomes  
a **PRAYER** on this **SACRED PATH**.

Each **LABYRINTH JOURNEY**  
is uniquely your own —



and yet, you are never  
walking alone.  
It leads you in... and back out.

Coming to the center,  
you are **TRANSFORMED**  
and reminded that  
your **JOURNEY BEGINS HERE.**



With gratitude and appreciation to everyone who shared their gifts and contributed resources in the creation of the St Clare Garden. You are a blessing.

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*and many other generous donors*



## The Path Within

Step by step, the world falls away,  
as silence gathers beneath your feet.  
This winding path is not to lose yourself,  
but to find the stillness you carry.


Each curve draws you deeper inward,  
through the stillness of stone and breath,  
where questions soften, and the heart  
remembers what it already knows.

The center offers no answers—  
only a quiet space to listen,  
to simply be.

And when you turn to walk the way back,  
the light feels different—  
not because it changed,  
but because you did.

You carry the quiet within you now,  
and in returning to the world,  
you return more whole, more ready  
to begin again.





**"EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED.**  
Concern for the environment  
thus needs to be joined  
to a sincere love  
for our fellow human beings  
and an unwavering commitment  
to resolving the problems of society."  
*(Laudato Si' no. 91)*

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