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The Benedictine Sisters of Chicago: A Community Serving Where There Is Need



(Benedictine Sisters of Chicago, Kathy Caudill)

Above, top photo (left to right): *Sister Belinda Monahan, O.S.B.* takes a picture of *Sisters Mary Cornella, O.S.B., Dorothy Van Alstyne, O.S.B.* and *Gregory Rohar, O.S.B.* as Prioress, *Sister Patricia Crowley, O.S.B.*, explains the plan for the group picture of the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago.

Above, bottom photo: *SSA Alumna Dianne Murphy, CEO of Tintype Studios, Inc.*, directs the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago as they gather for a community photo taken in July.



Tintype Studios, Inc.

Sitting or kneeling in first two rows, left to right: *Sisters Pierre Marie Moore, O.S.B., Mildred Zember, O.S.B., Ann Sharp, O.S.B., Belinda Monahan, O.S.B. (kneeling), Vivian Ivantic, O.S.B., Mary Cornella, O.S.B., Susan Quaintance O.S.B., (kneeling), Agnes Kelly, O.S.B., Dorothy Van Alstyne, O.S.B., Mary Alice Setnicar, O.S.B., Gregory Rohar, O.S.B., Winifred Sommer, O.S.B., Mary Benet McKinney, O.S.B., Joan Gannon, O.S.B., and Eleanore Hillenbrand O.S.B.*

Standing, first row, left to right: *Sisters Joan Hentges, O.S.B., Jane Smith, O.S.B., Suzanne Zuercher, O.S.B., Joanna Trapp, O.S.B., Susan Kilduski, O.S.B., Mercedes Moore, O.S.B., Mary Frances Schermerhorn, O.S.B., Judith Murphy, O.S.B., Amy Campbell, O.S.B., Mariella Hathorn, O.S.B., and Virginia Jung, O.S.B.*

Standing, second row, left to right: *Sisters Barbara McCarry, O.S.B., Benita Coffey, O.S.B., Anne Krall, O.S.B., Callista Kaley, O.S.B., Kathleen McNamara, O.S.B., Margarita Walters, O.S.B., Mary Susan Remsgar, O.S.B., and Karen Bland, O.S.B.*

Standing, third row, left to right: *Sisters Mary Melady, O.S.B., Patricia Cielinski, O.S.B., Marilyn Hattrup, O.S.B., Johnette Sawyer, O.S.B., Rita Nowak, O.S.B., Rosemarie Rugar, O.S.B., Margaret Ann Holtz, O.S.B., and Mary Ann O'Ryan, O.S.B.*

Standing, top row, left to right: *Sisters Kathleen Maloney, O.S.B., Patricia Crowley, O.S.B., Patricia Coughlin, O.S.B., and Judith Zonsius, O.S.B.* Not pictured: *Sisters Louise Eggen, O.S.B. and Hilary Halpin, O.S.B.*

Our Charism

We are Benedictine women called to seek God in prayer and community, serving where there is need.

Our Mission

Reverence:

Through common prayer, stewardship, hospitality and mutual respect, we seek to find and honor God present in each person and in all created things.

Traveling on St. Benedict's Path

On September 5, 2010, **Sister Patricia Crowley, O.S.B.** left for Rome, Italy, to attend the Communio Internationalis Benedictinarum (CIB) international symposium entitled "Benedictine Women: Witness of Hope." She joined 108 Benedictine women, both nuns and sisters, from 33 countries. The CIB began in 2001 in Nairobi, Kenya, with a meeting of representatives from communities of Benedictine women from around the world.

Sister Patricia sent the community e-mail updates while attending the symposium.

September 7 – My trip from Da Vinci airport to San Anselmo was a tale to be told. The reputation of Roman drivers was no exaggeration!

The welcome at San Anselmo's was warm (not just in temperature!) We left for Subiaco and Monte Cassino at 7 a.m. the next morning. The tour was led by an Italian archeologist specializing in early Christian history.

I reflected on the great tradition of murals that record the sense of God's presence throughout the centuries. We stopped at Santa Scolastica, the monastery in the town of Subiaco, where fifteen monks live. I loved the statue of St. Scholastica in the courtyard.

The bus was very comfortable. I used my French to translate for my seat companion from a monastery near Paris. I did pretty well until I got tired. Then I kept mixing up Spanish and French words.

Monte Cassino was a bit rushed. We did get there in time to see the crypt and the church, cloister and museum.

The restoration is exact and I found it all quite elaborate. Eighteen monks live there. The monastery (as all in Italy) is owned by the Italian government. The stories around the bombing at the end of World War II were many. The crypt was where the six monks who refused to leave, and the abbot who stayed with them, survived. The museum has wonderful art and the "riches" of Monte Cassino from its wealthy times.

September 9 – Yesterday, the meetings began with a beautifully planned light ceremony where each region presented a candle and spoke in their own languages the theme of



Above, left to right: Sisters Metilda George, O.S.B. (India), Patricia Crowley, O.S.B., and Kathy Yeeles, O.S.B. (Brighton, England).

Left: Statue of St. Benedict in a courtyard in Monte Cassino.

the conference - "We are Benedictine Women, Witnesses of Hope." It was quite moving.

In the afternoon, Sister Judith Ann Heble, O.S.B., Moderator of the CIB, gave a keynote address on Mary and then gave her report on the last four years. It seems that CIB has come a long way in that time.

We have a table of mostly English speakers, one German speaker who struggles with English, and one Polish speaker who understands French so I have been translating (barely!) for her. She understands "British" English better than "American" English!

September 10 – MariCarmen Bracamontes, O.S.B. (from Torreon) gave a keynote address that I found to be very insightful. Her talk focused on the Rule and our Benedictine values as sources of hope for us and for our world. It sounds so simple as I describe it. Actually it was amazingly insightful and profound.

Yesterday we prayed in Spanish and today in French. English and Latin are used in each prayer also. The French sisters (and nuns) were very strong singers this morning.

September 11 – Rome continues to be a great experience for me. Our talks yesterday were given by the young abbess of a Belgian contemplative community. Again her talk was stimulating and our conversations so interesting.

September 12 – Yesterday, we heard from a panel of four Sisters with their responses to what we had heard the previous days on how to live in hope in these times. The Benedictine spirituality came through loud and strong from these representatives from Argentina, Rome (the Tutzing Sisters), Brazil, and Togo, West Africa. I was particularly moved by Sister Mère Henriette from Togo.

Today, after Lauds, Eucharist and-break, we left in small groups to tour Rome. We went to San Benedetto (where Benedict lived while he was in Rome), to



Above, left to right: Sisters Nancy Bauer, O.S.B. (U.S.A.), Teresita D'Silva, O.S.B. (India), Jacinta Matthew, O.S.B. (India), and Rosario del Camino Fernández-Miranda, O.S.B. (Spain) talking together after Mass. Sister Jacinta performed a traditional dance from India during the daily Eucharistic celebration.

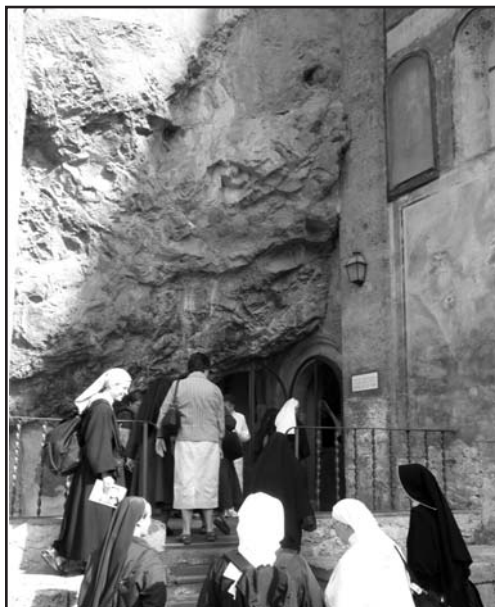
San Crisogono (his parish church) and to Santa Maria in Trastevere (where the Sant'Egidio community began) and then, on to St. Peter's where I spent a wonderful half hour in prayer and reflection at the tomb of John XXIII. We joined Sam Pusateri, O.S.B. (from St. Bede's in Peru, Illinois) and the other monks of St. Paul Outside the Walls for a tour and sung Vespers. It was a full day!

September 13 – Yesterday we heard from the young Sisters and it was wonderfully challenging.

We went to Sant'Egidio – so inspiring – a group of lay people that started here in Rome dedicated to common prayer, service to the poor and peace – all volunteer.

September 14 – The trip to Norcia was very moving. To be in the birthplace of Benedict and Scholastica was amazing. We had Mass in the church of San Benedetto and in a circle renewed our vows in a circle in different languages in the church of Santa Scolastica. Tomorrow we have a papal audience in the morning and a closing ritual in the afternoon.

I look forward to coming home. I will miss the many wonderful women I have gotten to know here.



Above: Sisters from the Communitio Internationalis Benedictinarum (CIB) international symposium gather at the courtyard overlooking the mountains in Subiaco.

Books Recommendations for Spiritual Reflection and Study

The liturgical season of Advent will soon be here. The monastery librarian, **Sister Eleanore Hillenbrand, O.S.B.**, shares many wonderful selections for spiritual reflection and renewal.

Building on Rock: Welcoming the Word in Year A, by Verna Holyhead, S.G.S.

Revelations of Love: Julian of Norwich, edited by John Skinner and Edmund Colledge.

Heart Whispers: Benedictine Wisdom for Today by Elizabeth Canham.

When the Rain Speaks: Celebrating God's Presence in Nature and *Abundant Treasures: Meditations on the Many Gifts of the Spirit* both by Melanie Svoboda, S.N.D.

Walking with God in a Fragile World: Original Reflections edited by James Langford and Leroy S. Rouser.

The Return of the Prodigal Son and *With Burning Hearts: A Meditation on the Eucharistic Life* both by Henri Nouwen.

Lost in Wonder: Rediscovering the Spiritual Art of Attentiveness by Esther De Waal.

To Everything a Season: Spirituality of Time by Bonnie Borman Thurston.

Grace Notes: Embracing the Joy of Christ in a Broken World by Lorraine Murray.

The Prophetic Imagination by Walter Brueggemann.

Mothers, Lovers, Priests, Prophets and Kings: What the Old Testament Tells Us about God and Ourselves and *Daybreaks: Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas* both by Mary Deeley.

SSA Cañon News

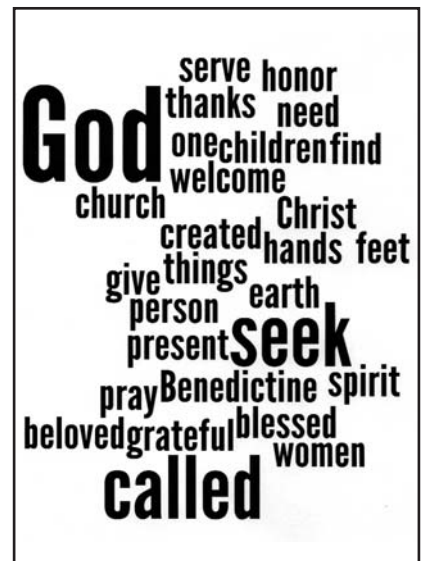


Celebrating their 25 year class reunion, the class of 1985 met in July. Enjoying a wine tasting at the Abbey Winery in Cañon City are (above, left to right): Sharon Edwards, Kristin Stephens Chatnani, Maria Tuleja, Judith Shelton, Maria Robinson, Babbette Browning-Bollin, and Melissa Hofmann.



The class of 1955 held their 55 year reunion in Colorado Springs, Colorado in early September. Standing, left to right: Marilyn Claypool Raskob, Rose Ann Stock Foster, Jeanette LaCrue Van De Weghe, Elizabeth Beckman Brockman, Madeline Scherr Mills, Mary Jo Peters Monroe, and Phyllis Bockhaus Butts.

We love to hear from you. Please share your SSA Cañon alumnae news with the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago (kcaudill@osbchicago.org).



Serving Where There Is Need

Sister Mary Susan Remsgar, O.S.B. serves where there is need in her work as a psychiatric social worker at the Colorado Mental Health Institute in Pueblo. Each year the members of the community receive their "obediences" for the coming year, which includes praying for various groups outside of the community. Sister Mary Susan offers prayers on behalf of all those suffering from mental illness.

Sister Susan Kilduski, O.S.B. assists **Sister Eleanore Hillenbrand, O.S.B.** in the monastery library, volunteers at Misericordia, is secretary for the Rogers Park/West Ridge Historical Society, and often serves as monastery portress (welcoming guests at the door). With **Sister Suzanne Zuercher, O.S.B.**, she plans programs and activities for the infirmary. Sister also actively participates in an interfaith group which includes Baha'i,

Catholic, Jewish, Lutheran, Muslim and Sikh. "Whatever I am asked to do, I do it," says Sister Susan. "If I can't do it, that is the most challenging part of my ministry." She prays for inter-faith relations around the world and, especially, in Rogers Park. When asked what she enjoys most about her ministry work, Sister Susan has an immediate response: "I enjoy being here, seeking God together with the Sisters in this monastery, serving where there is need and sharing peace wherever I am."

Sister Mary Ann O'Ryan, O.S.B. currently coordinates the International Baccalaureate (honors) program at St. Scholastica Academy and teaches geography. "I love teaching world geography," Sister Mary Ann says, "I think it is very important for students to learn it in today's world. I love teaching freshmen in high school, contributing to their growth in knowledge, skills and confidence." She also coordinates textbook

orders, runs the bookstore, moderates the Big and Little Sisters events, and co-moderates the Stitch Club, teaching needlepoint and crocheting to interested students after school. "I love introducing students to new concepts, something they never thought about before, and seeing their wonder and awe as they turn the new ideas over in their minds." She has taught various grade levels of students in schools in Chicago and Colorado. Sister has served as a principal, taught courses at a community college and at Loyola University, was a member of the Archdiocesan Parish Council for five years, and served as prioress of the community.

In different places, and in many different ways, here are three more examples of Sisters serving where there is need.

We Love To Hear From You

The class of 1950 St. Hilary's held their 60th reunion recently and enjoyed many wonderful memories thanks to the Benedictine Sisters. We appreciate the wonderful education we received.

Thank you for the peace-full day of retreat - and the nourishment!

Thank you, dear Sisters, for all that you do!

I was blessed with a small windfall and offer this donation in gratitude for all that St. Scholastica has meant to me throughout my life. My prayers are with you in the Benedictine mission.

To a great teacher!

My years at St. Scholastica Academy were the best. I have so many fond memories of my teachers and friends. Sister Karen Bland was truly a fine example of the Benedictine Sisters. Please give my regard to Sister Rosemarie Rugar - another fine example that I admire.

Thank you for your kindness - God bless all of you.

St. Scholastica is always close to my heart. It gave me a good education, strong faith, lifetime friends.

We want every member of your congregation to know how much we appreciate your ministry and service to the people of God, our Archdiocese, and around the country. Please know that the works you have performed, and are continuing to perform, have left an indelible mark on those you served, and our lives are richer for having been in your care. May God abundantly bless you, and give you continued strength for the journey!

A Good Steward



Colleen Berry

If you call St. Scholastica Monastery during weekday business hours, you are probably greeted by the voice of the monastery's friendly and efficient switchboard operator, Colleen Berry. Colleen has worked for the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago and St. Scholastica Academy for four years. Juggling many different tasks each day, Colleen is always ready with a smile, and a welcoming greeting for all who call or enter the building. She brings a sense of calm and caring to the phone lines as she directs the caller to the proper extension or tries to track down one of the Sisters who is not at her desk or in her room. Colleen spends a good part of her work day listening at the switchboard, but she also spends much of her day as St. Benedict advises in his Rule - "listening ... with the ear of her heart." We are grateful for the presence of Colleen Berry, another good steward working at St. Scholastica Monastery!

Newsbriefs

Sister Judith Zonsius, O.S.B. traveled to Sacred Heart Monastery in Cullman, Alabama, in mid-September to attend the annual gathering of Benedictine Sub-prioresses and House Coordinators. The theme of the meeting was "Transition: The Inside Story of Monastic Life."

In late September, Sister Susan Quaintance, O.S.B. and St. Scholastica Monastery hosted the annual meeting of the Council of the Federation of Saint Scholastica, a congregation of twenty-one member monasteries. The council discussed the recent Federation Chapter meeting, activities of the member monasteries, and issues facing the wider Church and world.



Seated, left to right: Sisters Lynn McKenzie, O.S.B., First Councilor (Sacred Heart Monastery - Cullman, AL); Evelyn Detling, O.S.B. (St. Benedict Monastery - Pittsburgh, PA); Eileen Dunbar, O.S.B. (Holy Name Monastery - St. Leo, FL); and Bernadine Reyes, O.S.B. (St. Scholastica Monastery - Boerne, TX). Standing, left to right: Sisters Susan Quaintance, O.S.B.; Glenna Smith, O.S.B., Federation President (St. Benedict Monastery - Bristow, VA), Christine Ereiser, O.S.B. (St. Joseph Monastery - Tulsa, OK), Anne Shepard, O.S.B. (Mount St. Scholastica Monastery - Atchison, KS).

Sister Virginia Jung, O.S.B. is in her last year of coursework for her master's degree in pastoral counseling at the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University Chicago. She was awarded a scholarship from the Institute to be applied to her fall and spring semesters of study. Sister Gina is currently "serving where there is need" as an intern at Providence Family Services, a ministry of the Sisters of Providence of St. Mary of the Woods (also known as Guerin Ministries.) The internship involves offering counsel to individuals, couples and families. Sister also volunteers to lead a support group for women in recovery at Sanctuary Place in Chicago.

This fall, Sister Suzanne Zuercher, O.S.B. presented a workshop entitled "The Enneagram as a Spiritual Way: A Tool for Self-Discovery and Growth Toward Fullness of Life" at St. Scholastica Academy. Three separate sessions were offered: an introduction to the spiritual journey and the enneagram, the enneagram relationships, and the enneagram and the way we pray.

Sister Patricia Coughlin, O.S.B. will now be offering therapy and spiritual direction on Tuesdays at her new office in Hyde Park, as well as Wednesdays and Thursdays in Rogers Park. For more information, call 773/764-2413, ext. 355.

On May 9-12, 2010, the Benedictine community at St. Scholastica Monastery was officially visited by two women religious acting on behalf of the official Apostolic Visitor, Mother Mary Clare Millea, A.S.C.J. The visitors spoke with the community, individual Sisters, and a focus group of community friends and supporters. The visitors submitted a report to Mother Millea, who will be sending a report to the Congregation for Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life by the end of 2011.

The apostolic visitation staff has established a website which outlines the phases and steps in the process: www.apostolicvisitation.org. The community has been advised that they will not receive any information about this visitation or the report until 2012 at the earliest. The Benedictine Sisters of Chicago appreciate the prayers and support shown to the community during the time of the visitation, and ask your continued prayers for this Benedictine monastic community and for all women religious in our country.

Sister Margarita Walters, O.S.B. returned to Chicago this past summer.

The Federation Chapter of 2010 was held in June at Atchison, Kansas. Five members of the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago were in attendance: Sisters Patricia Cielinski, O.S.B. and Judith Murphy, O.S.B. as the community's delegates to the Federation, Sister Susan Quaintance, O.S.B. and Karen Bland, O.S.B. as members of the Federation Council, and Sister Patricia Crowley, O.S.B. as Prioress.

In July, the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago participated in a community retreat led by Sister Connie Krystolic, O.S.B., a member of the Benedictine community in Atchison, Kansas, focusing on "Transitions to Transformation."

Sister Belinda Monahan, O.S.B. spent five weeks this summer in Armenia participating in an archeological dig with a team from the United States, Armenia and Georgia.

Sister Vivian Ivantic, O.S.B., Archivist for the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago, met with Loyola University Chicago faculty member, Bren Ortega Murphy, providing photographs and other information for use in a documentary film on images of women religious in U.S. popular culture.



On August 23, 1861, three retiring, shy and utterly weary Sisters arrived on the Lake Shore Michigan train to begin the community that would be incorporated eleven years later as the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago. They were Sisters Frances Knapp, Antonia Hermann and Gonzaga Konradi, a lay Sister. In August 2011 the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago will begin a year long series of celebrations and events. Look for more information about 150th anniversary events in upcoming issues of *Sacro Speco*, on the website (www.osbchicago.org), and on Facebook (Benedictine Sisters of Chicago).

Memorials

July 7, 2010 through September 24, 2010

In memory of Sam Anderson

Trudy Campion Anderson

In memory of Virginia Arendt

Larry and Judy Brod

In memory of Frances Barias

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Cecelia Barton Bradford

Laurelle Gallagher

In memory of Thomas Edward Braidech

Emily Petrusky

In memory of Ann Cleary Brennan

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Anne Campbell

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Marion Boyle Carlson

Diane Carlson Huntington

In memory of Vicki Streff Cottrell

Sr. Susan Quaintance, O.S.B.

In memory of Bishop Edwin Conway

St. Vincent de Paul Society,

St. John Brebeuf Parish

In memory of Pat and Patty Crowley

Gary and Mary Ann Kono

In memory of Shirley Daugherty

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of James Deuter

James and Dorothea Jung

In memory of Frank

and Annabelle Donner

Frank and Dorothy Donner

In memory of Martin S. Draths, Jr.

Bob and Murph Anderson

In memory of Dwight Eastman

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Delores Ek

Mary Zonsius

In memory of deceased members

of the Federation of St. Scholastica

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Terri Ann Fester

Dominic and Margaret Caminiti

Sr. Jane Smith, O.S.B.

In memory of Jacqueline Fields

Patricia Campbell

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Morgan Fitzgerald

Doris Haas

In memory of Kathy Geroski

Jill Newberger

In memory of Martin

and Catherine Gersick

Margaret Cullen

In memory of Virginia Gibson

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Ray Ginocchio

St. Vincent de Paul Society,

St. John Brebeuf Parish

In memory of Sr. Carolyn Glach, O.S.B.

Lorraine Glach, Martha Sook Song

In memory of Sr. Joyce Gleeson, O.S.B.

Suzanne Dowell

In memory of Lottie Greselin

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Zdunek

In memory of John Michael Haggenjos

Joan Haley

In memory of Janet Lynch Halgirmson

Carolyn Duncan

In memory of William Harrell

Sr. Joan Gannon, O.S.B.

In memory of Sr. Jeanne Hegarty, O.S.B.

Carolyn Duncan, Helen Fitz,

Celynia Polintan

In memory of Margaret Helser

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of John A. Hillenbrand, Jr.

Iris Hillenbrand

In memory of Sr. Gertrude Holtz, O.S.B.

Anonymous

In memory of Helen Huenik

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Valentina Illig

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Marian Meers Jehl

Sara Smith, Smith Family

In memory of Francisco Juan

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Sybille Kaempfer

George and Helga Ruby

In memory of Joe and Sue Kanabay

Frank and Dorothy Donner

In memory of George Mae Vickman Kelly

Carolyn Duncan

In memory of George Kennedy

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Martin Kesselring

Jane Ellwood, Georgette Kesselring

In memory of Leo Kilbride

Tom and Beth Kneesel

In memory of Rita Burton Larson

Carolyn Duncan

In memory of Jeannette Laureys

Georgette Kesselring

In memory of Marie Lillig

Mary Zonsius

In memory of Carl Matthews

Jack Sullivan

In memory of Robert McDonnell

St. Vincent de Paul Society,

St. John Brebeuf Parish

In memory of Eugene McGuire

Scott and Amy Gilbert

In memory of Eileen Marie McNellis

Donald and Dorothy Andries

In memory of Joe Miholic

Gertrude Miholic

In memory of Teresa Miks

Edward Svete & Mary Ellen Huston

In memory of Dolores Moline

James and Dorothea Jung

In memory of Sr. Denise Mosier, O.S.B.

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of the Francis Murray family

Ann Murray

In memory of James Nolan

Tom and Beth Kneesel

In memory of Carl Phillip Nordgren

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Eileen O'Connell

Jeannine Palmer

In memory of Julia Ann O'Donnell

Mary O'Donnell

In memory of Jerry Paprocki

Sr. Mary Alice Setnicar, O.S.B.

In memory of Judith Kellen Paschke

Jon Paschke

In memory of Linda Pearson

Sr. Barbara McCarry, O.S.B.

In memory of Helen C. Perse

Anonymous, Benedictine Sisters of Chicago,

Robert and Geraldine Blazich,

Margaret Cullen, William and Helen Davis,

Sr. Louise Eggen, O.S.B.,

Rudolph and Eileen Gallegos,

Matthew and Agnes Glavich,

William and Ann Marie Gradishar,

Anna Knific, Nancy Krall,

Raymond and Josephine Krasovic,

Julie Lay, Evelyn Matkins, Margaret Mei,

Robert Michaletz, Lillian Nacevska,

Charles and Ursula Perko, Marian Radacy,

Ed and Alice Skerjanec,

John and Kathleen Starceвич,

Evelyn Vertovec, Ron and Judy Yoxey

In memory of Marc A. Perse

Margaret Cullen

In memory of Matthew Peterson

Jeannine Palmer

In memory of Michael Pieschl

Rose Mary Finnigan

In memory of Betty McClure Platz

Carolyn Duncan

In memory of Helen Lufen Powers

Patricia Pruitt

We remember daily those entrusted to our prayers ...

In memory of Michael Pry

Susan Goedke and Chris Woodard

In memory of Judith Margaret Pueschel

Jeff, Kathy, Tom and Pat Caudill

In memory of Roy J. Rash, Sr.

Jeff, Kathy, Tom and Pat Caudill

In memory of Frank and Pat Repp

Gertrude Miholic

In memory of Rodney J. Schaid

Elaine M. Schaid

In memory of Marie Schalk

Sr. Susan Kilduski, O.S.B.

In memory of Eugene Schreiner

Peter and Barbara Zonsius

In memory of Ted Schultz

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In memory of Dan Sharp

Frances Jegen

In memory of deceased members

of the Sommer family

Sr. Winifred Sommer, O.S.B.

In memory of Frank A. Stupar

Amy Avakian, Ron and Karen Celesnik,

Agnes Ivantic, William and Ruth Ivantic

In memory of William

and Dorothy Stupnik

Evelyn Vertovec

In memory of Frank Tepley

Frank and Dorothy Donner

In memory of Fran Teson

Dominic Caminiti

In memory of Patricia Faricy Triosi

Carolyn Duncan

In memory of Elinor Van Houghton

William Van Houghton

In memory of Helen Weber

Lawrence and Judy Brod

In memory of Rev. Richard White, CMF

Marie Egan

In honor of Larry and Jody Brod

on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago,

Don and Marilyn Brod, John and Mary Brod,

Tom and Cindi DiPrima, Bobbie Freres,

Michael and Dori Hackett,

Jim and Tricia Hechtman, Irene Stellar,

Larry and Evie Weber

In honor of Sr. Amy Campbell, O.S.B.

on her 70th Jubilee

Richard Fields

In honor of Sr. Benita Coffey, O.S.B.

on her birthday

Anonymous

Madonna Rogers McCutcheon

In honor of Sr. Patricia Crowley, O.S.B.

on her 50th Jubilee

Anonymous, Mary Pat Buckley,

Fr. Daniel P. Coughlin, Alice Crowley,

John and Jane Crowley,

Paul and Patti Crowley,

Robert and Linda Denby, Elizabeth Domigan,

Joseph Dunne and Patricia Urbanus,

Carolyn Fields, Richard Fields,

Maureen Gallagher, Al and Kitty Gehrke,

Jane K. Hennessey, Kathleen Hill,

Diep X. Hoang, the Hoang Nghi family,

Agnes Ivantic, Herman Kamlage,

Gary and Mary Ann Kono,

Sister Nancy Murray, O.P.,

Rev. Robert Oldershaw, Rosie Randle,

Myron and Alicia Resnick,

Debra Stelk, Mary Ellen Stuerman,

Regina Weissert, Edward and Mary Willer,

Benjamin and Priscilla Zintak III

In honor of Sr. Hilary Halpin, O.S.B.

on her 50th Jubilee

Joseph Dunne and Patricia Urbanus

In honor of Sr. Joan Hentges, O.S.B.

on her 60th Jubilee

Richard Fields

In honor of Bill and Cay Hillenbrand

on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sr. Eleanore Hillenbrand, O.S.B.

In honor of Sr. Virginia Jung, O.S.B.

Theresa J. Buckley

In honor of Sr. Callista Kaley, O.S.B.

on her 60th Jubilee

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Aigner,

Judy Alexander, Anonymous, Linda Barnard,

Joanne Reitberger Bookstein,

Andrea Ciccone, Lamont Cordova,

Tom and Judy Culcasi, Donna Dehnert,

Joan Diamond, Carolyn Fields,

Richard Fields, Janet Hayes, Peggy Hayes,

Patricia Heineman-Vernon,

Kyle and Kristen Hermann,

Tom and Mary Ellen Hermanson and family,

Agnes Ivantic, Mary Ann Jewell,

Tom Jewell and family, Margaret Keenan,

Jeffrey and Mary Ann Liautaud,

Sheila McGuire,

James and Eileen Mengarelli, Pat Merle,

Carlotta Miller, Margy Pajakowski,

Rosie Randle, Mickey and Alicia Resnick,

Bill and Kathy Riordan, May Ellen Rybicki,

Patricia Sacco, Jim and Mary Scardina,

Sheila Hogan Schultz,

Robert and Janie Schutte,

Jill Tarzian Sorensen,

Joseph Dunne and Patricia Urbanus,

Albert and Glenna Witschy,

Estelle Wroblewski

In Honor of Rita S. Keown

on her 90th birthday

Benedictine Sisters of Chicago

In honor of Kathleen Szymczak LeCrone

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In honor of living and deceased Sisters, lay teachers and staff who taught the

Class of 1949, and in honor of the

living and deceased members

of the Class of 1949 (SSA Chicago)

Madonna Rogers McCutcheon

In honor of Lonnie and Cynthia McDade

with wishes for a happy retirement

Sr. Virginia Jung, O.S.B.

In honor of Sr. Mercedes Moore, O.S.B.

on her 75th Jubilee

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George and Barbara Lynch,

Mary Agnes Madden, Marie Queenan,

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Thomas and Elizabeth Ventura,

Cheryl Wollin

In honor of Tom and Anita Ness

on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Fred and Mary Ann Henning

In honor of the marriage

of Leila Polintan and Jeff Burger

Celynia Polintan

Special Occasions

In honor of Benedictine Sisters

who taught at St. Hilary School

St. Hilary class of 1950

In honor of Pamela T. Bradley

on her birthday

Patricia Lane

In honor of Judith Borchers

on her birthday

Margaret Hennessy Dory



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Directions in Development

In my role as Development Director for the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago, I strive to share information that I believe friends of the community might find useful. Today, I focus on two topics many of us usually try to avoid talking about – money and religion.

ALL funds donated to the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago are used to benefit and support the members of the community – those residing in the infirmary who pray together in St. Joseph's Chapel several times a day, as well as those whose ministry involves writing, work in schools or parishes, or providing spiritual direction.

In this fast past world, so many people today seem to be searching for opportunities for prayer, moments of solitude, or times of quiet reflection. Why not plan a day of retreat at the monastery? You can call to schedule a date to spend the day – walking the labyrinth, spending time in the chapel reading Scripture, or listening as God speaks to your heart. Please contact Sister Judith Zonsius, Sub-prioress, (ext. 231) for more information. Perhaps God is calling you to consider becoming an Oblate – a lay person establishing a new level of relationship with the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago. If you are interested in learning more about becoming an Oblate, please contact Sister Benita Coffey, O.S.B. (ext. 327).

With gratitude for the many ways you support the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago,

Kathy Caudill
Director of Development

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