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# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MONASTERY



THE GIFT OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

FALL 2011



Dear Friends and Benefactors,

**O**N AUGUST THE 6TH, FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD, we were able to celebrate the Mass of Thanksgiving for the silver jubilee of ordination as well as the perpetual vows of our Brothers Daniel and John the Evangelist. The evening before we joyfully welcomed our newest monk into the Novitiate, Br. Gregory, with the reception of the monastic habit. With the arrival of our newest postulants, our community now numbers 33 members. We also have a new priest and two new deacons. These events mark the moving forward of our work, the 25th anniversary jubilee being only a passing moment of celebration, with countless events of grace having come before and, may it please God, many are yet to come !



**W**e were overwhelmed by the several hundred friends and family and who travelled the long way to the Monastery for this joyous event, far surpassing our most fervent expectations! May the manifold graces of this day be extended not only to them but to all of our dedicated benefactors present in spirit who made this momentous occasion possible. These events also mark our 20th year in this monastery. Truly, the successful establishment of our community has been possible thanks to the united efforts of many friends, brought together in the spirit of charity, which is the sure sign of the work of God. May this generous collaboration continue and be always unto His greater honor and glory.

*With our utmost gratitude always,  
Fr. Cyprian*



*Michael Richards from California is given the monastic habit and the name Brother Gregory after the illustrious Benedictine Pope. At the jubilee Mass, Br. John the Evangelist from Washington and Br. Daniel from Idaho, consecrate themselves irrevocably to God.*





## MAY

**12** Fr. Gabriel travels to California to participate in the annual rosary crusade led by Fr. Emily in downtown San Jose.



**30** QUEENSHIP OF MARY: Rodney Kaiser, conducted before the altar by his brother, Fr. Thomas Aquinas, receives the habit and is given the coveted name of Br. Benedict.



For three continuous days prayers rise up to heaven to bless the earth during the rogation days which precede the Ascension.

## JUNE

**17** PENTECOST FRIDAY: His Excellency Bishop Bernard Fellay ordains our Father Augustine to the priesthood and our Brothers Andrew & Elias to the diaconate.



**18** Fr. Augustine celebrates his first Mass and gives first holy communion to six of his neices and nephews who have been eagerly awaiting this momentous occasion. The next day, Trinity Sunday, he also celebrates his first solemn High Mass assisted by his brothers as sacred ministers.

## JULY

**5** Fr. Damien Fox spends ten days of his vacation praying & recreating at what he called a "well kept secret" before his new assignment in Toronto, Canada.



**19** Fr. Alphonsus, C.S.S.R., returns to the Monastery, but this time to preach a parish mission, attended by the Monks & Faithful.

**16** OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL: With his family from Vale, OR, present, our Brother Columba makes his first vows.



**29** Fr. Prior, Fr. Raphael, Brs. Elias and Justin attend the ordinations in Ecône, Switzerland, to be with Fr. Prior's fellow jubilarians ordained in 1986. Prayers of thanksgiving before the tomb of Archbishop Lefebvre are the highlight of the trip.

**19** The foundations of a new stairwell which will provide access to a second story of cells surrounding the cloister are poured.



**30** Fr. Steven Soos comes from St. Marys, Kansas to enjoy some of his vacation with us.

**23** Arrival of a group of men and boys from Garden Grove, CA who experience a week of monastic life and were then succeeded by a group from Kansas City with by Fr. Francis Gallagher.



**AUGUST**

**5** By a happy coincidence, on the eve of the 25th anniversary celebrations, Michael Richards from Los Angeles, CA becomes the 25th member of our community to wear the Benedictine habit and is called Br. Gregory.



**6 FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION:** In a large tent rented especially for this landmark occasion, Father Prior's silver jubilee Mass of thanksgiving, crowned by the perpetual profession of Brothers John the Evangelist and Daniel, is attended by almost 400 friends and family from all over the country.

**7** Fr. Augustine takes advantage of the tent set up for the jubilee and the many visitors still present to celebrate his First Mass at the Monastery and give his blessing.



**15 ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M.:** Br. Stephen renews his temporary vows for another three years.

**16** Mr. Dean Lowe arrives with a group of young men from St. Marys KS for a week of "ora et labora" (prayer and work) with the monks.



**19-20** Fr. Augustine, Br. Andrew & Br. Jerome join the faithful of Saint Isidore's Parish in Denver, CO in their annual Mother Cabrini Pilgrimage. Upon arriving at their destination on top of the mountain shrine, Fr. Augustine Celebrates a First Mass for the victorious pilgrims and gives them the indulgenced blessing.

**21** Fr. Dennis McDonald, Prior of Saint Isidore's, hosts a celebration in honor of Fr. Prior's silver jubilee. We thank him and his generous faithful for a superb reception.



# ORDINATIONS





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