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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MONASTERY



Pilgrimage procession of our heavenly Patroness

WINTER 2008-2009



Midnight New Year's Eve, 2009 begins with a Holy Hour of Adoration.

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

THE INCERTITUDE OF THE PRESENT MOMENT has an unfailing remedy: *"It is I, am I not your Mother...?"* It is Our Lady, who understands the nature of battles against the demons of doubt. Our annual pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe was a solemn reminder that if we are to have true peace, we must indeed follow the Queen of Heaven wheresoever she shall lead us. At the end of the three mile ascent we wondered... should we not make of our entire lives one, continuous procession in honor of Our Lady, shouldering *the light burden and the sweet yoke* of her image as we climb the rugged way



up her mountain, safely traversing the troubles of the present moment. May we meet Our Lady upon the symbolic hills of all the *Tepeyacs of life*, our souls as other tilmas indelibly imprinted with her sacred image painted by no human hand. Though there may be required of us a certain departure from the passing things of this world, a rising above, an Assumption of sorts, the way of Mary is the surest way to God. In God is the order of peace. Our Lady is the Queen of Peace, *the peace which is the tranquillity of order*

according to St. Augustine. Our troubled economic, political and civil order will only be restored to peace when the respect for the Supernatural Order is returned to the place of primacy. Our Lady is at the heart of every true restoration, she is the Heart of the greatest of restorations, the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. She will be the Heart of the present battle to restore all things in Christ.

With our utmost gratitude for your continued help!

Yours in Our Lady of Guadalupe,

Fr. Cyprian



Our newest vocation is clothed with the Benedictine habit while receiving the revered name of Br. Columba, after the renowned monastic father from Ireland. Below, the Vigil of the Epiphany, special ceremonies formerly held in all cathedrals worldwide, the solemn blessing of water remains an unbroken tradition.





CHRONICLE



NOVEMBER

2 FEAST OF ALL SOULS: Prayers for the departed of our Order are solemnly chanted in the Chapter room, where traditionally, the Benedictine abbots were buried.

17 Brother Frank Marino arrives for a two week visit and helps the brothers to construct the main staircase for The Sacred Heart House.



OCTOBER

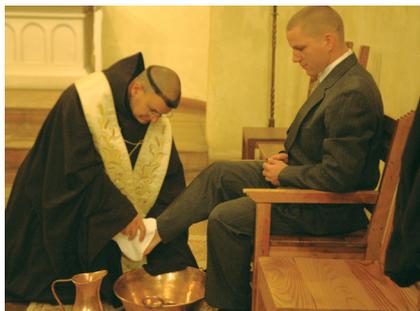
26 FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING: Fr. Prior and Br. Bernard travel to San Jose to assist Fr. Hogan at the Forty Hours Devotion at St. Thomas More Church. Afterwards, they are privileged to visit the tomb of the Franciscan wonder-worker, Fr. Magin Catalá and the Miraculous Crucifix.

4 A crew of young men from St. Mary's under the direction of Dominic Vanderputten and Dan Riccomini arrive. After a week of hard construction work, The Sacred Heart House now has 3 floors.



30 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: The Regular Places of the monastery are blessed according to the Rule on this first day of the new liturgical year.





DECEMBER

7 On the eve of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, our Br. Columba receives the habit, and in an ancient Benedictine ceremony, has his feet washed by Fr. Prior and the entire community.



11 A professional roofing crew from Veneta, Oregon led by Mr. Ed Waggoner leave after braving the elements and installing trusses and sheathing for The Sacred Heart House in a record one week time.

12 FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE: A traditional pilgrimage up our mountain ends with a Solemn High Mass and the blessing of roses, recalling the miracle which took place over 500 years ago. Numerous faithful from all parts of the U.S. were present, including faithful from Mexico led by Fr. Ernesto Cardozo and Fr. Lawrence Novak, who preached the sermon in Spanish.



27 FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST: Br. Elias renews his vows. He leaves the following day for Kansas City to be present at the priestly ordination of his brother, Fr. Benjamin Campbell, in St. Vincent's.



JANUARY

6 FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: Three golden crowns, carved by our brothers, symbolizing the arrival of the Magi, are blessed and brought in procession to be laid at the feet of our King.



9-11 Fr. Pierre Duverger and Fr. Francis Gallagher arrive for a retreat.

22 Br. Bernard and Br. Maur take advantage of a fund-raising tour on the East-Coast to be present for the March for Life in Washington D.C. and lead the faithful in prayers in front of the Supreme Court House.



BENEDICTINE NUNS



After several decades in temporary conditions in their old convent in western France, our sisters have made the definitive move to their beautifully restored 17th century convent located near our Benedictine brothers at Bellaigue in central France. Construction work: the common unifying aspect of all traditional Catholics worldwide is well underway as work on a new chapel begins. More American vocations are waiting to enter. Please send your help to the new address below.



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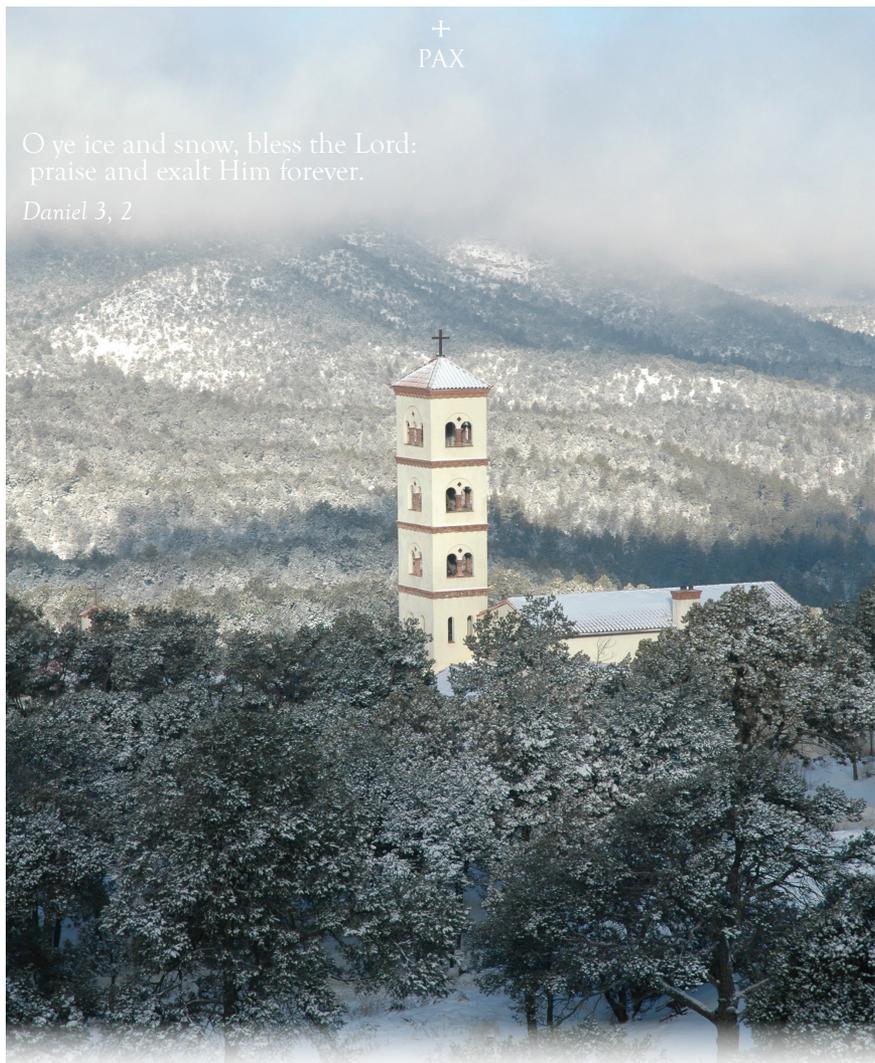
Thanks to the dedicated efforts of several volunteer work crews from all across the country, progress can be seen from afar as the new Sacred Heart building stands high on the mountain. May this newest part of our work be a permanent monument to your generosity and a place of retreat when you visit.



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O ye ice and snow, bless the Lord:
praise and exalt Him forever.

Daniel 3, 2



HOW TO HELP THE MONASTERY

THE GROWTH OF OUR MONASTIC COMMUNITY, THE CONSTRUCTION WORK
REQUIRED FOR OUR PRESENT EXPANSION AND OUR ONGOING APOSTOLATES
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