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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MONASTERY



HOLY WEEK & EASTER

SPRING 2015



Good Friday 3-mile Way of the Cross. Monastery Brothers and devout laymen bear the burden.

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

EASTERTIDE IS THE DIVINELY ESTABLISHED TIME inviting us to contemplate the wondrous origins, the living miracle of our holy Catholic Faith. The ancient ceremonies of the Sacred Triduum are a true reliving, a sacramental vehicle of efficacious grace, wherein the Benedictine Rule, in the spirit of gratitude, leads us into the heart of our vocation which is the Cross of Jesus, his opened side revealing the Sacred Heart to the world. The response to this revelation is the religious vocation, a way of life patterned after that of the Apostles and the first Christians who were the eyewitnesses of the Passion. St. Benedict sees in their adherence to this true Mystery of Faith the model of our monastic observance,



to return our poor human love for divine love, to give all to Our Lord Jesus Christ who has not withheld one iota of charity for us. The following images show glimpses of the Benedictine rite of the Sacred Triduum.

We give you herein the joyous news of our construction progress, the blessing of God in the increase in our numbers, the stability of newly professed monks who commit themselves to the demanding vocation of charity. May they persevere to the end in so great a work.

With our prayerful gratitude to you for your unfailing help and encouragement.

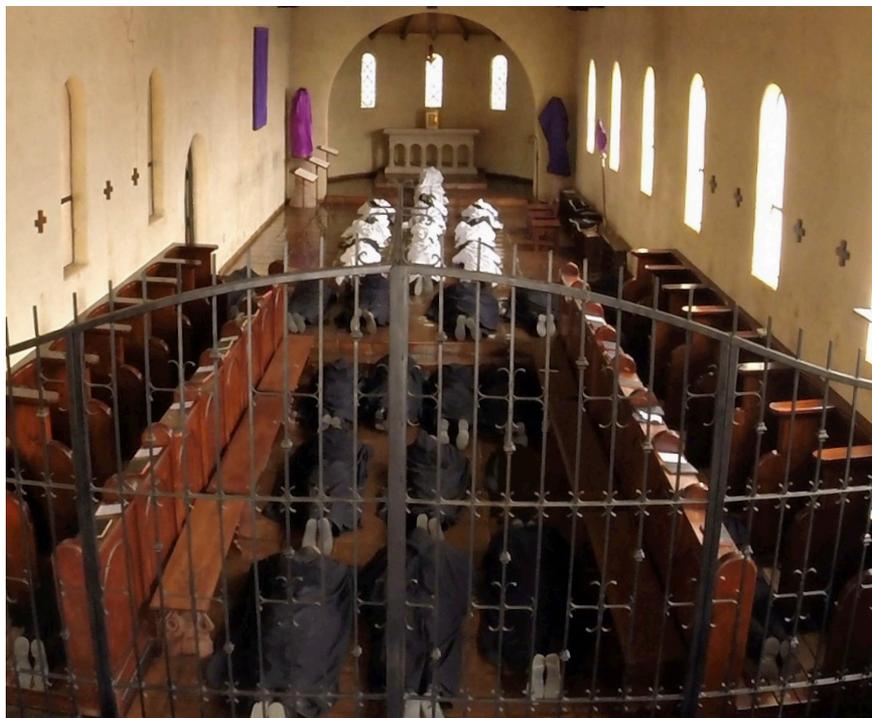
Fr. Cyprian



Palm Sunday striking of the Church doors.



Paschal Vigil: Lighting of the Easter Candle.



Good Friday prostration during the chants of the Passion.





Newness of Life at the Monastery

The reception of the Benedictine habit makes several new novices while newly professed pronounce the five monastic religious vows. Our Benedictine seminarians join the ranks at Holy Cross Seminary in Australia to pursue their priestly studies. Easter lambs join the community as well as some newly hatched feathered friends and some recent additions to our Jersey herd !





We bring you the Good News of our progress.

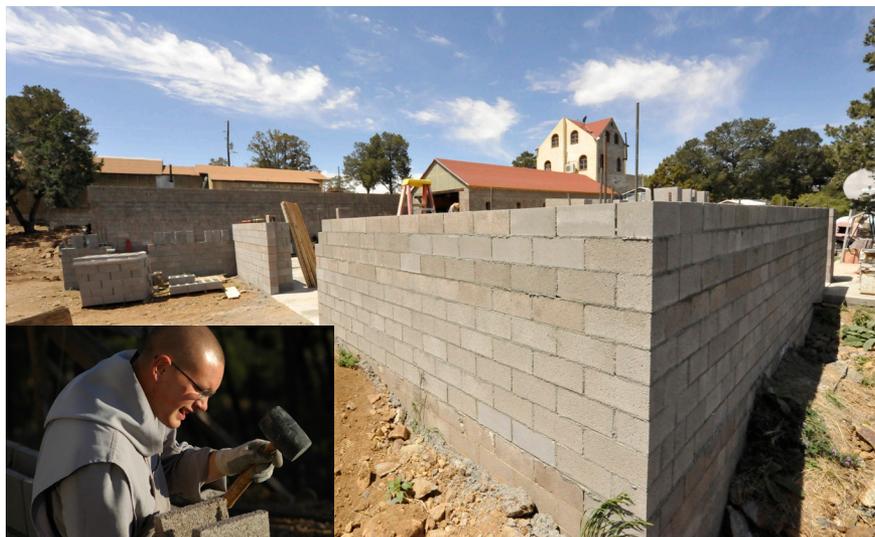
Three construction sites and soon a fourth, are in full operation as your support and encouragement allow us to move forward with our expansion. The walls rise at the Kitchen and Refectory, where they will intersect at a three story tower.

Our workshops also begin to take shape. The new cells for our latest recruits are next on the list.

The new Convent for our Benedictine Sisters will soon have new windows and doors. Benefactors have generously purchased two more parcels of land and a guest house in order to increase the Convent land to nearly 60 acres.

Local Pecan plantations offered their seasonal prunings to the Monastery. Over 100 cords of pecan firewood were cut by our work crew of 35 monks and brought home to dry, providing a three-year supply of firewood.





*And Jesus said, "It is consummated" and bowing his head, breathed forth his spirit.
Luke 23.46*



The growth of our monastic community, the construction work required for our present expansion and our ongoing apostolates depend entirely on charitable and goodwill donations.
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