



# ST. PAUL'S MONASTERY

## E-NEWSLETTER

November 2020 Edition



The words thanks or thanksgiving are used in the Old Testament 72 times and in the New Testament 71 times, so they are not new to our vocabulary. This Thanksgiving will be different because of the pandemic. There may be an absence of a family member or friend at the dinner table, which will lead to a feeling of loss. The Monastic Community will feel that loss also. However, nothing can change the Thanksgiving Spirit in our hearts for YOU!

The Community at St Paul's Monastery is thankful for the relationships we enjoy with so many of you.

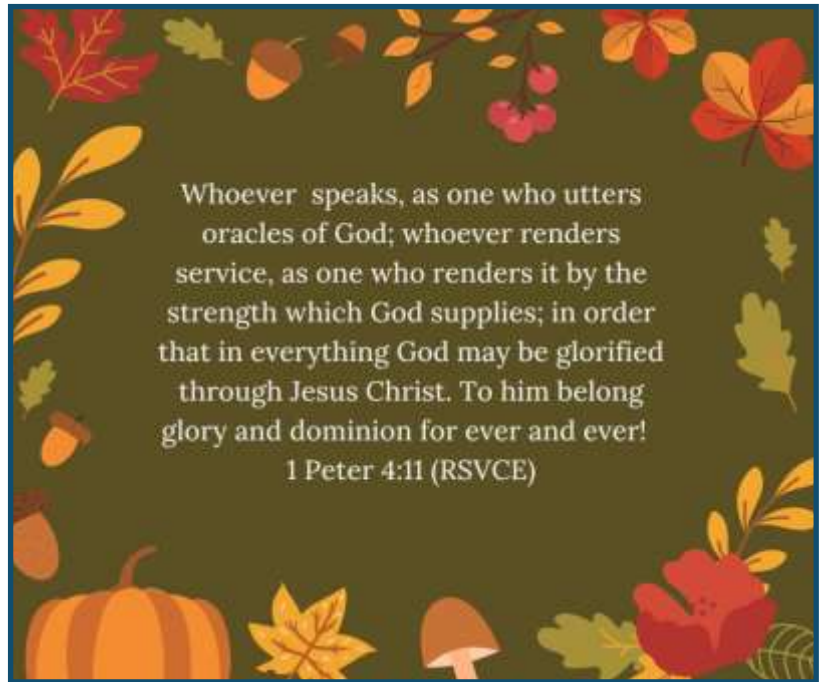
Each day we see the employees who serve us beyond our expectations. Family and friends of the Monastery are valued along with the people we collaborate with on the campus: Maple Tree Childcare Center, Tubman, Hill-Murray, and CommonBond. All create a shared spirit of thanksgiving throughout the year. Our guests, oblates, associates and volunteers have given endless hours of their time aiding us in our daily work. Many express a thirst for sharing in the Benedictine Way of Life.

During the pandemic there is a greater desire for physical contact, and we look for creative ways to do outreach. I am fortunate to be in a ministry working with youth at Hill-Murray School. Their innocence is my reminder to be thankful for the many times they do God's work with their volunteer hours helping the poor and the destitute.

At Morning Prayer and at our table on Thanksgiving Day, our thoughts and prayers will be for you in a special way, as well as all those who are struggling during this time of the pandemic.

You are held in prayer every day for who you are *that in all things God may be glorified.*

Sister Linda Soler, OSB, Monastic Leadership Team



## A Memorial to Sister Anne Boeckers, OSB

*by Mission Advancement*

Sister Anne (Dolores) Boeckers was born to Melchior (Michael) and Margaret (Eichoff) in New Munich, MN on September 21, 1929, the sixth in a family of seven, four girls and three boys. In 1944, Sister Anne entered the scholasticate at St. Benedict's in St. Joseph, MN. As a novice in 1948, she chose to join the Sisters who were founding a new Priory in St. Paul, MN. She made her first Profession of Vows on July 11, 1949. She received a B.A. degree in Science and Elementary Education at St. Catherine's College, St. Paul, MN. After several years of teaching, Sister Anne went on to acquire an M.A. in Elementary Administration at St. Cloud College. Sister Anne lived her calling to minister as a teacher at St. Bernard's, St. Paul; Visitation, Minneapolis; St. Philip's, Litchfield and at St. Anne's, Minneapolis where she also later served as principal. She received many awards for her commitment to education.

After retiring from teaching, she was a pastoral minister at Epiphany, Coon Rapids and St. Mary's, Stillwater. Sister was an avid reader and liked to do art work. She was an excellent cook and found pleasure in helping other people. In her retirement

at the monastery, Sister Anne wrote thank-you notes to donors, assisted in food preparation, and embroidered dish towels. Sister Anne died on September 29, 2020, at the age of 91, having lived as a professed Benedictine for 71 years.

She is survived by her Benedictine Sisters of St. Paul's Monastery, her sister Florentine Meier, many nieces, nephews and friends. We pray that after many years of devoted service, she may be received with the gracious hospitality with which she greeted others and be guided by the eternal light where all those we love are waiting for us.

We cannot invite you to the Monastery at this time, but you are invited to send a remembrance to our Community via email: [development@stpaulsmonastery.org](mailto:development@stpaulsmonastery.org). If you would like to donate in remembrance of Sister Anne please [click here](#).



**Sister Anne  
Boeckers, OSB**

**Born: September 21, 1929**

**Professed: July 11, 1949**

**Died: September 29, 2020**

# November All Souls Remembrances for 2020

by Mission Advancement

Each November we remember those who have passed this year with a special heartfelt pause. These are the beloved that our community has lost. We send prayers and blessings to all missing a loved one.



**Sister Virginia Matter said goodbye to her sister, Mary Ann Vogel earlier this year.** With deep sorrow it was announced that Mary Ann (Matter) Vogel of Mankato, Minnesota, passed away on February 15, 2020, at the age of 88 surrounded by family and friends. To read more, [click here](#).



**Sister Susan Bourauel said goodbye to her sister, Margaret Bornhorst, on March 1.** Margaret had five children and was a teacher for many years. She died peacefully in Kelowna, British Columbia, surrounded by family and friends. To read more, [click here](#).



**Sister Andrine and Sister Andriette Schommer said goodbye to their sister Frances Fran Sorenson this past July and their brother Mark Schommer in August.** With profound sadness we announce the unexpected passing of Fran, beloved and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend to all whose lives she touched, on July 13, 2020. To read more, please [click here](#).



Mark Schommer, age 80, of Chaska, Minnesota, passed peacefully on Wednesday, August 5, at his home. Forever loved, Mark will be missed by his wife, Sherry, his children, grandchildren, siblings, and many friends. To read more, [click here](#).



**Sister Agnes Trombley said goodbye to her sister Alice Ann Durben this past July.** She was preceded in death in 2009 by her husband. Alice is survived by her children, her 10 beautiful grandchildren and beloved great-grandchild and siblings. To read more, please [click here](#).



**Sister Benita Gerald said goodbye to her brother, Dennis Gerald, on July 30.** Dennis was from New Prague. He is survived by eight children, 20 grandchildren, and 28 great grandchildren. For more info, [click here](#).



**Sister Monica Raway said goodbye to her sister, Josephine A "JoAnn" Kirch on October 23.** JoAnn was from Arden Hills and was surrounded by extended family and friends. She is survived by her sister, many nieces and nephews, and the extended Kirch family. For more info, [click here](#).



We said goodbye to our dear Sister Duane Moes this past August. To read more, [click here](#).



**Sister Mary Lou Dummer said goodbye to her brother, Edward Dummer.** Edward "Eddie" Dummer, age 77, of Alexandria, died on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. There will be a public service next summer. For more info, [click here](#).



We said goodbye to our dear Sister Anne Boeckers in September. To read more, [click here](#).



# November All Souls Remembrances for 2020 (continued)

by Mission Advancement

The Sisters of St. Benedict will offer thanks for the many blessings that we have received this past year. At 11:30 a.m. on Monday, November 2, the Sisters will observe the Feast of All Souls in the Chapel. Please join us in prayer wherever you are, as we gratefully and lovingly reflect upon those who have preceded us into everlasting life. We invite you to share with us the names of your loved ones who you would like us to remember in prayer. Thank you, and we pray a special blessing upon you today that God may bless you in every way. You are a blessing to us, and we hold you and your loved ones in our daily prayers.

To submit your prayer intentions to the Sisters, please email us at [development@stpaulsmonastery.org](mailto:development@stpaulsmonastery.org). To make a donation in honor or memory of a loved one along with your prayer intentions, please visit [www.stpaulsmonastery.org/allsoulsday2020/](http://www.stpaulsmonastery.org/allsoulsday2020/).



## A Message from the Benedictine Center

by Jeff Dols, Benedictine Center Interim Director

It is with great sadness I inform you that the Benedictine Center of St. Paul's Monastery will temporarily pause online programming after December 2020. Starting in January, the Center's ministry will be limited to virtual spiritual direction until the monastery can safely receive guests on site. We are not committing to hosting groups or planning any programs in 2021 until there has been some time for a planning team to assess the possibility of reconfiguring the ministry differently. This has been a difficult discernment process. COVID-19 has created and enhanced the organizational and financial challenges of doing retreat ministry. In the midst of this uncertainty, we will pause and wait for the Spirit to reveal what might be emerging.

During this pause in programming and through the duration of the pandemic, we will continue to support the spiritual direction ministry and the relationships the spiritual directors have nurtured during this unusual time.

It has been difficult to bear the sad realization that this pause in programming means the departure of Associate Director Kiely Todd Roska from a ministry she loves. Kiely has graciously agreed to stay on through December to support our scheduled programs; she will leave the Center at the end of 2020. Pausing programs also means that Carol Jorgensen, the Hospitality Specialist, will finish her work with the Center at the end of October. I applaud the poise, grace and dedication Kiely and Carol have shown during this very difficult summer and throughout their ministry at the Benedictine Center.

## Oblates in the Community

by Mary Lou Kozmik, Benedictine Associate

Are you aware of the federal deportation policies? Oblates Pat Melody and Mary Lou Kozmik, who are members of the St Paul's Monastery Justice and Peace Committee, learned of an outdoor Interfaith Coalition on Immigration gathering at the Whipple Federal Building. A group gathers on the second Tuesday of every month to stand in solidarity with our immigrant neighbors who are in detention centers and face deportation. Pat and Mary Lou attended the October 13 gathering in order to support opposition to ICE policies that dehumanize our neighbors and separate families. Speakers shared the power of love, welcoming immigrants and supporting our neighbors who have been held in detention centers or receive less than due process of law in the federal court trial system. Prayers of support are appreciated. If you would like to learn more or if you are interested in joining Pat and Mary Lou, please contact the Monastery at 651-777-8181 and leave your name and number.



# Remembering Sister Anne Boeckers, OSB

by Mary Elizabeth Ilg, Executive Assistant



Sister Anne passed away on the evening of September 29, 2020. I was sorry to hear this sudden news and remembered her fondly. Sister Anne was very friendly and always greeted the Monastery employees warmly. I especially remember the vision of her sitting in the dining room on weekday mornings several years ago as I went in to get my coffee before work. She would be sitting at a table in silence, surrounded by large trays of white hard-boiled eggs, meditatively peeling their hard shells. It was a beautiful ritual of peace for me to witness each week. She did not address me then, since she was concentrating on her work and prayer. Her white hair was arranged elegantly on top of her head as she looked down at her hands, diligently working on breakfast preparation to assist the Community. On other days when I encountered her and she was not working, we would visit briefly and she would always say, as I walked away, *enjoy your time with us.*

Two years ago, I had the very great honor of participating in a special prayer ritual with the Community at the font outside of the Chapel. Sister Anne turned to me, made the Sign of the Cross on my forehead, and said, *May you always stay close to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.* I will never forget her words. As convert to Catholicism twenty years ago, I knew nothing about this devotion but have since tried to learn about the mysterious image of the heart of Jesus, encircled by a crown of thorns and burning with flame. *Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.* Our hearts are enflamed with ardent love of Jesus. We share in the pain and sorrow of his suffering and unite our suffering to his. In this way, we can bear all things through Christ.



The day after Sister Anne passed away, I was at the Monastery to work on her memorial card. I was saddened to be working on this task but glad to be able to assist, to help create a tribute to honor her. When I left work late that afternoon, I walked out to the Monastery parking lot. I reached my car, turned around, and looked back at the Monastery. On the highest point of the tall cross over the entrance sat an enormous bald eagle. It was perched there, guarding the Cross, surveying all who entered and exited the building. I have never seen such a huge eagle, magnificent symbol of power and glory. It was a striking moment, and I thought of Sister Anne. I stood there for a while, mesmerized, before I was able to get in my car and drive home.



But this mystical event continued. As I drove west on Highway 14, it began to rain very lightly, almost a kind of golden mist falling through the soft sunlight. In the distance, I was shocked to see a brightly colored rainbow arching across the horizon line from north to south. All of the bands of color were incredibly bright and clearly defined. The rainbow shone in shocking intensity, like a portal. Like the eagle that had alighted just ten minutes before, I have never seen such a massive rainbow, glittering in the mist.

How glorious is God's abundant creation! As Psalm 150 proclaims: *Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.* How wonderful to receive such moments of consolation when a dear Sister and loved one passes into heaven and eternal peace. I know that Sister Anne is now very close to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I endeavor to draw closer to Him, too, as I become an Oblate of St. Paul's Monastery next month. May Sister Anne see his glorious face, and may perpetual light shine upon her.



# CHRISTMAS AT THE MONASTERY

*A festive online event with the spirit of  
Christmas at St. Paul's Monastery*

SAVE THE DATE  
**12.12.20**

## *Online Marketplace*

Shop the entire week  
of Dec. 7-13 for all your  
holiday gifts.

## *Silent Auction*

Saturday, Dec. 12  
3:00-4:30 p.m.

Our 13th annual  
Christmas at the  
Monastery is online  
this year. Join us  
for a Social Hour  
with the Sisters,  
a Silent Auction, and  
an online Marketplace.

## *Virtual Social Hour with the Sisters*

Saturday, Dec. 12  
3:00-4:00 p.m.

Live chat with the Sisters.



Register for all events: [stpaulsmonastery.org/christmas/](https://stpaulsmonastery.org/christmas/)

## Reflections on Hope

by Sister Mary Lou Dummer, OSB



Last month, seventy people logged into the annual Oblate Retreat via Zoom to hear Abbot John Klassen, OSB, St. John's Abbey, speak about Stability, Hope and Praying the Psalms.

The pandemic we are experiencing has and will bring massive change to our world, to our country, to our nation. How do we respond as Monastics and Oblates to this "new normal?" What do we as individuals, as families, and as communities have to let go of? To answer that question, Abbot John said that hope is essential to the Oblate vocation. Hope is not expectation. Hope embraces the future, while expectation tries to determine it. Hope is nurtured, confirmed, and sustained by the Liturgy of the Hours, by Eucharist, by Lectio Divina and Centering Prayer. Even when we are not with each other, we do these things not as individuals but as a community of faith.

Hope is the essential and nonnegotiable basis for Monastic and Oblate commitment. The following poems and personal reflections were written by Oblates as a response to Abbot John's presentation. They are featured this month as well as in the December newsletter. I hope you enjoy these reflections as I have. Thank you, and let us continue to pray for each other as we live out our Benedictine Values.

Put me where you want me today oh Lord.  
Help me see the context of my surroundings and the Hope therein.  
Bring Hope to my life.  
Put me where you want me today oh Lord.

Help me find meaningful distractions to keep Hope alive.  
Hope, not expectations is my goal.  
Stabilize me oh Lord.  
Put me where you want me today oh Lord.

Like the rescued miners, I want to live with Hope even in darkness.  
Help me to see the light in the middle of the tunnel.  
Put me where you want me today oh Lord,  
Help me do your will – your way.

Janie O'Connor, Oblate

O God, as I praise you  
Peace has come, expectations have waned,  
Hope has been restored.

My soul sits quietly while  
My spirit rests in your love.  
Calmness has replaced turmoil.

Let my prayer sustain me in troubled times.  
Let me always remember that hope is the  
source of life and will pull me into another day.

Alleluia!  
Linda Manders, Oblate



### Psalm 23—A Sailor’s Version

The Lord is my beacon, chart, and compass all in one.  
Through all kinds of seas, He pilots me to safe haven as one of His own.  
In the midst of all waters, even though I have been tossed about in  
Foaming mountainous crests and seen death’s scaly hand rise to  
Pull me under; He lays out the best course;  
Though standing into danger, He knows the only way through rocks and Shoals.  
And as I gasp and am about to slip away, He reaches  
A saving hand and water-walking, leads me to the leeward shore.  
He welcomes me as one of His own, like a long-lost shipmate.  
He freshens my salt-caked head with oil and draws to me to the fire He  
Has built and now roasts fresh-caught fish and bread for me and all who are with Him.  
It can’t get any better than this; And I will ship on in His crew forever.

—Jerry Dufeck, Oblate

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### Reflection on Stability

As I apply Stability in my life, I often refer to *Benedict’s Way: An Ancient Monk’s Insights for a Balanced Life* (Lonni Collin Pratt and Father Daniel Homan, OSB). Stability calls us to believe that if we stay where we are, God will find us. In all Christian life, God is always in the right place, doing the right thing with the right people. If we truly believe, have faith and hope, the passing situations cease to matter. “Do not be daunted immediately by fear and run away from the road that leads to salvation. It is bound to be narrow at the outset” (RB Prologue: 48).

Throughout my lifetime, I recall being told or hearing, “It’s darkest before the dawn.” For me, being part of the Benedictine Oblate Community, the dawn and morning is the stability knowing that God is the anchor in my life and always present – this too will pass. My prayer first thing in the morning always is “thank you God for today. Tell me what to do and how to do it and give me the resources to meet the need. Throughout the day, to keep on task, I pray, take my thoughts, dear Lord, and strengthen their path in me to do your will.” Contemplative prayer and thanksgiving is the stability of my life.

—Shirley Reidmann, Oblate

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### Reflections

Going for walks with neighbors was not a part of my routine before the pandemic. Sharing how much I missed the Monastery turned into opportunities for retelling highlights from both Sister Donald Corcoran’s August virtual retreat and Abbot John’s Klassen’s Fall Oblate Retreat on commonly held Benedictine Values. “We must never give up Hope” Abbot John reminded us, to see through the pandemic. In time we hope to see how things make sense. My hope increases as I feel more connected with neighbors. New friendships, including some differences of opinion, emerge. All our conversations are not hostile and divisive! I learn as my neighbors share their variety of thoughts with me. This helps me cope with the pandemic.

—Mary Kou Kozmik, Benedictine Associate



## Newsletter Name Needed

by Mission Advancement

Earlier this year, the eNewsletter went through a change to make it more in line with current branding standards. We thank all of you for your feedback on the changes. We love hearing from you.



What the newsletter does not have is a name. We have always just called it the newsletter or the eNewsletter. We want to change that, and we need your help.

Submit an idea for a name between November 1-15, and the Leadership team and staff will pick a name that will debut for the December newsletter. We

look forward to hearing all your great ideas. Submit your ideas through our [Development inbox](#). We will post some of the ideas on our social media posts throughout the month.

## The Leaves are Changing

by Jennie Schlauch, Program Director, Maple Tree Monastery Childcare



The children of Maple Tree Childcare love to spend time on our beautiful grounds, and this includes the babies. In this picture, four of our little ones are pictured enjoying the beauty of the fall season and being in one another's company. We are so blessed to have these young ones to teach and nurture.



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## Sisters' Words of Wisdom

by Ann Bechtell, Mission Advancement Assistant

As the Sisters of St. Benedict have so much wisdom and inspiration to share with us, St. Paul's Monastery monthly newsletter will include a new series that allows us to learn more about each Sister. In addition, this series allows the Sisters to share with us their wealth of spirit, kindness, love, and wisdom that each embodies from their years in the "school for the Lord's service" (Rule of Benedict, Prologue).

I came to St. Paul's Monastery in spring 2014 as a job applicant. Sister Lucia Schwickerath was serving her last months as Prioress, and she attended my second interview. Sister Lucia impressed me with her kind and compassionate demeanor. I left the interview thinking that whether or not I got the job, I was happy just to have met Sister Lucia.

Several weeks after I was hired, I watched Sister Lucia and Subprioress Sister Linda Soler's Prioress Dinner skit about the angel on Sister Lucia's shoulder. Both Sisters adlibbed, went off script, and then got back on script again without missing a beat—like professional comic actresses. If you attended the dinner, you know that their skit was one of the best shows in town that evening.

I recently spoke with Sister Lucia, who currently serves as the Monastery's Healthcare liaison. Anyone who knows Sister Lucia also knows that the Monastery Healthcare Sisters and staff could not be in better hands. I'm not sure what job you could give Sister Lucia that she *couldn't* do. Again, if you know her, you know that she would make a joke about all of these positive comments. But you also know that everything I've said is true.

Sister Lucia grew up as Marie Catherine Patricia Schwickerath; the third oldest daughter of seven children born to farmers Herman and Katie in New Hampton, Iowa, "straight South of St. Paul."

As a sixth-grader, Sister Lucia overheard a high school senior talking about working for the FBI, and the idea piqued her interest. As a high school senior, Sister Lucia was hired by the FBI to work as a stenographer in Washington D.C. At this point in her life, Marie "got serious about 'how do I want to spend the rest of my life, to make it worthwhile?'" And the answer for me was to pursue the possibility of vowed religious life in service to God and all people.

"I joined a group of other young women in D.C. also considering a religious vocation. Once a month, we visited nearby communities, and I found that the Benedictines seemed to best fit my style of life. In the spring of 1957, I received guidance from an Elizabeth, New Jersey, Benedictine Sister to contact the new St. Paul's Priory in St. Paul, Minnesota. I arrived there on September 8, 1957, as an aspirant and continued through the postulancy and novitiate, making my first profession in the St. Paul Cathedral on the Feast of St. Benedict, July 11, 1959.

"In our Community, it is important that we professionally prepare for our ministry. As my ministry was in music and teaching, I completed a double-major B.A. in Music and Education at St. Catherine's College and later an M.A. in Sacred Music and Liturgy from DePaul University in Chicago and St. Joseph College in Rensselaer, Indiana." (To read the rest of the story, please [connect to our web site.](#))



Sister Lucia, left, with Sister Benita Gerald in Healthcare.



The Benedictine Center is offering online programs via Zoom. Your presence would make the conversation richer. If you have not used Zoom, the Benedictine Center staff is glad to help you become familiar with the program when you register.



***Tell Me True, Speaking Truth with Robust Love***

with Kiely Todd Roska and Eily Marlow [online]

November 6, 9—11 am

We often struggle to have important conversations, not for lack of good intention, but because of imbalance. Practice increasing the kind of personal care and candor that brings out your best self and the best in your relationships. [Register here.](#)

***SoulCollage Sunday Circle***

with Barbara Sutton [online]

Sundays, 1:30-4 pm, Nov. 8, and Dec. 13

SoulCollage® Sunday Circle will provide open space for creating and exploring your SoulCollage cards with facilitator Barbara Sutton. It is a casual afternoon for those new to and experienced with SoulCollage to bring their circle wisdom forward each month!

[Register here.](#)



***Together in Contemplation: A Practice-Based Spiritual Formation Group***

with Jody Reis Johnson [online]

Tuesdays, 7-9 pm, Nov. 17, and Dec. 15

Join Jody Reis Johnson for a 4-month spiritual growth group aimed at deepening your relationship with God through contemplative practice, spiritual readings, and discussion. This program will take place online via Zoom. [Register here](#) or call 651-777-7251.

***Writing Our Way to Understanding***

with Victor Klimoski [online]

Nov. 23 7– 9 PM

Joan Didion says that she only recognizes what she is thinking when she finally puts it down in words. This series invites writers to deepen their skills of written expression by exploring several key Benedictine concepts: community, stewardship, and hospitality. [Register here.](#)





# Around the Monastery

by Mission Advancement

We do not often get to share songs in the newsletter. Sister Lois recently shared her songwriting talents and put one of her poems to paper (with the help of Sister Lucia). Below are the two songs Sister Lois wanted to share, both entitled *Lead Us, Guide Us*.

**Lead Us, Guide Us**

Text: Sister Lois Hauwiler, OSH  
Music: Sister Lucia, OSH

**Refrain**

Lead us Guide us!

**Verses**

Jesus, you are the way; lead us to the light. Jesus is who  
Jesus, you are the truth; teach us to follow God's way.  
Jesus, you are the life; you are our guide.  
Jesus, protect your chosen people to follow you; teach them to walk in your light. To Coda

**Coda**

Lead us Guide us, along the path of e - ter - nal life!

**Lead Us, Guide Us**  
by Sister Lois Hauwiler

Lead us on the way, follow the light that is leading us.  
You are the way; protecting your people who are the way to eternal life.  
You are the life; guiding us today.  
You are the truth that leads where you are going.  
Walk with Jesus; Follow Jesus.  
Carry the Good News to the ends of the Earth.  
Take my peace wherever you go.  
Be strong, have courage as you walk though the dark valley.  
I am with you.  
Lead us; Guide Us.



Flowers and plants at the Monastery bring the beauty of creation indoors. Caring for flowers and plants reminds us of God's care for us and for all our world. Above: Sister Agnes enjoys an orchid plant that she cares for daily. The jade photo, at right, is from several years ago when it was in full bloom. The plant, over 30 years old, is still thriving at the front entrance of the Monastery. Lower right, flowers recently planted by Sister Paula, adorn outside Healthcare and in the community room.



Oblate Pat Melody—concerned about how long the Sisters have been "confined



and alone for too long!"—was inspired to get a surprise treat for them: individual, assorted Bundt cakes for their dinner dessert from the Grand Avenue "Nothing Bundt Cakes" shop. When the shop owner, Wendy Sevenich, found



out that the cakes were for the Sisters, she included additional treats for the Sisters to enjoy: Gourmet chocolates and Thanksgiving-themed craft supplies. Top: Sisters Catherine Schoenecker and Catherine Nehotte. Bottom: Sisters Andriette and Andrine Schommer.

## Prayer Schedule

*Even though our doors are closed temporarily,  
we are grateful that you are praying with us in spirit!*

*“Nothing is to be preferred to the Work of God.”*

*—Rule of St. Benedict, Chap. 43*



### **SUNDAY**

Morning Prayer: 10:00 AM

Eucharist: 11:00 AM

Evening Prayer: 5:00 PM

### **MONDAY–SATURDAY**

Morning Prayer: 8:00 AM

Midday Prayer: 11:30 AM

Evening Prayer: 5:00 PM

*For further information, call 651-777-8181 or visit us [www.stpaulsmonastery.org](http://www.stpaulsmonastery.org).*



### **We Would Love to Hear from You**

**Let us, in fellowship, “lay (our) petitions before the Lord God with the utmost humility and sincere devotion”** (*Rule of St. Benedict, Chap. 20*). If you would like to send an online prayer request, the Monastery website has two different ways to do so. You can use the “Prayer Requests” link at the top of our [home page](#). Or you can go to the “Ministries” tab and select “Community Prayer Ministry.” Prayer requests go to all the Sisters who pray daily for these intentions at Evening Praise, during weekly adoration, and during the Rosary. May God bless you and your loved ones.



# St. Paul's Monastery Mission Statement

We, the Sisters of St. Paul's Monastery, are a community who live Gospel values as expressed in the Rule of St. Benedict.

Through our monastic life and wise stewardship, we nurture contemplative presence in service of Church and society.

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