NAABOD Newsletter

April 2013

Greetings Oblate Directors,

Alleluia! The Lord is truly risen! Alleluia!

Blessings to you and to your communities as you celebrate the Easter Season. What a glorious time of year! Winter is on its way out and some early spring flowers are poking their heads up through the earth, looking for the Sun just as each of us is looking for the Son (within ourselves and among those who surround us).

At the time of our previous newsletter, our NAABOD website was experiencing some access problems. It required several calls to our web provider, but finally, the problem was resolved. "Thank you, Lord."

This will be a short newsletter.

First, please send me the list of oblates and oblate directors (former) who have died since July of 2011. These people will be remembered at evening prayer on July 12th at our NAABOD 2013 Conference. Thank you for sending this information to me via email (<u>bgacnik@mtmc.edu</u>) or snail Mail by July 1:

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NAABOD 2013 will be in Bismarck, ND this year, It will be hosted by the Benedictine Sisters of <u>Annunciation Monastery</u> on the campus of the University of Mary. Our theme this year is: "Living the Benedictine Charism Faithfully in the World." Our speakers are: Fr. Terrence Kardong, OSB of Assumption Abbey, Richardton, ND; Sr. Thomas Welder, OSB of Annunciation Monastery, Bismarck, ND; and Sr. Coleen McGrane, OSB of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, Clyde, MO.

The registration form can be found at: <u>http://www.naabod.org/Registration13.pdf</u>.

The conference schedule can be found at: <u>http://www.naabod.org/Schedule13.pdf</u>.

EARLY REGISTRATION ENDS ON APRIL 30TH.

Note: Your monastery does not need to be a NAABOD member in order for you to attend NAABOD 2013.

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