

NAABOD, December, 2023

Advent greetings

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas our hearts are filled with expectation of this great event. We await the coming of the Lord Jesus with anticipation. We also are sad this year with the deaths of Oblate Directors Janis Dopp of St. Meinrad Archabbey, Fr. David Turner, OSB of St. Procopius, Sr. Priscilla Cohen, President of NAABOD and Oblate Director at Cullman, and Fr. Nicholas Ast, OSB of St. Gregory's Abbey, Oklahoma. If you know of other directors who have died, please let me know at mmiller@kansasmonks.org

Also, we were trying to figure out if Sr. Priscilla had appointed anyone to serve on either the nominating committee for NAABOD officers, or the planning committee for the meeting in Schuyler this summer. Again, if you were contacted by her for one of these roles, let me know at mmiller@kansasmonks.org

May you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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President of NAABOD

Save the Date: 2024 Biennial NAABOD Conference to be held July 5-9, 2024 at St. Benedict Center in Schuyler, NE. Registration information will be sent out (hopefully) by January, 2024.

Our speakers this year will include Sister Judith Sutera, OSB, and Abbot Joel Rippinger, OSB of Marmion Abbey. This year's theme will be Carrying Wisdom across the threshold.

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