



BADIA PRIMAZIALE SANT'ANSELMO

Abate Primate

Dear Benedictine Oblates,

Greetings of Easter peace from Sant'Anselmo in Rome. I pray that this note finds you well, safe, and at peace during these challenging days of the coronavirus pandemic. Please know that we pray each day for our Oblates throughout the world, that they may escape this difficult and challenging virus that can be so debilitating, and even cause death. Let us pray for one another.

Because of this pandemic, and because of the challenges of international travel for the coming months, we have decided to postpone the Congress of Abbots in September 2020. Because of this, it seems wise, after consultation with Father Benoît and the Core Team for the next Congress, to postpone that important event until November 2022. There are so many things that are uncertain in our lives at this moment with this attack of the coronavirus, so it is important that we look to the future with hope and with safety for everyone involved.

In closing, I send my best wishes for God's continued blessings upon you, your loved ones, and all your endeavors. May God's blessings rest upon us all, keeping us in providential care of our loving Lord.

Sincerely in the risen Christ,

+ *Gregory J. Polan, O.S.B.*

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