Over the past 30 years, the Saint John’s Monastic Institute provided an opportunity for religious women and men to gather for prayer, conversation, education, and reflection about monastic spirituality and life. We are most grateful for your past participation in the Monastic Institute—thank you!

The monastic bonds developed amongst participants is profound and long lasting. As we look towards the future, ever mindful of the changing needs of religious life and the importance of stewardship, we are updating the format of the program.

This summer, all of us at Saint John’s welcome and invite you to be part of the Monastic Institute’s Benedictine Studies program. In collaboration with the School of Theology and Seminary, we are offering two one-week courses presented by Columba Stewart, OSB and Carmel Posa, SGS.

Each course will invite a variety of people—monastics, graduate students, laity—to engage in further conversations and education about monastic spirituality and life. The week will include many opportunities for prayer, socializing, and reflection, with the option of each participant receiving one credit in Monastics Studies and Spirituality at the School of Theology and Seminary. We trust that each course will be accessible to a variety of participants, from those who wish to nurture their search for God to those who plan to earn credits toward a degree.

The Benedictine Studies program will continue in summer 2019 with Columba Stewart, OSB and Colman O’Clabaigh, OSB. In the summer 2020, the Monastic Institute will host a one week conference with Michael Casey, OSCO, Manuela Scheibe, OSB, and Luke Dysinger, OSB with conference talks on: Humility:Paradoxical Pathway to Union with God.

We look forward to your participation in the Monastic Institute’s Benedictine Studies and Conference programs. Please visit www.CollegevilleMN.com/MonasticInstitute for more information and registration.

Sincerely,

Dale Launderville, OSB
Saint John’s Abbey
Saint John’s School of Theology and Seminary
Summer 2018

*Passions and Prayer: Early Monastic Insights into Human Psychology and Spiritual Practice*
Columba Stewart, OSB
June 25-29 | 1 Credit

*Body, Being and Becoming: Explorations of the Body in The Rule of Benedict*
Carmel Posa, SGS
July 2-6, 2018 | 1 Credit

Summer 2019

*The Rule of Benedict: from its Modest Beginnings to Preeminence in Western Monasticism*
Columba Stewart, OSB
June 2019 | 1 Credit

*From Cluny to the Reformation: Medieval Western Monasticism*
Colman O’Calaibaugh, OSB
June 2019 | 1 Credit

Summer 2020

*Humility: Paradoxical Pathway to Union with God*
Michael Casey, OSCO
Manuela Scheibe, OSB
Luke Dysinger, OSB
June 29 – July 3

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