

HOW STEEP THE MOUNTAIN!!!

❧ OUR HISTORY ❧

- (1) First Tridentine Mass Celebrated in the very tiny St. Francis Chapel – a room in the house presently occupied by the Sisters of St. Joseph's Convent. This date might be considered to be the beginning date of Christ the King Abbey:
March 1, 1981
- (2) Purchase of 80 acres of land finalized. The land is contiguous to the 1 acre and the original house:
April 19, 1985
- (3) Ground Breaking for the original St. Francis Chapel:
January 25, 1986
- (4) First Holy Mass Celebrated in St. Francis Chapel. This building proved to be temporary, and is no longer in use:
May 13, 1986
- (5) First Bulletin issued in the present series of Chapel Bulletins:
July 1, 1986
- (6) Joseph Sautner, First Novice, and now Father Michael, O.S.B., arrived in the middle of the night:
October 28, 1988
- (7) First Burial in the St. Francis Cemetery – Mr. Walter Roberts:
December 14, 1988
- (8) Beginning of the First Novitiate of Christ the King Abbey:
January 20, 1989
- (9) Ground Breaking (in the rain) for the new permanent Christ the King Monastery:
April 30, 1989
- (10) First Vows (Simple Vows for 3 years) pronounced at Christ the King Abbey – Frater Michael, O.S.B.:
January 21, 1990
- (11) Blessing of the New Monastery:
February 11, 1990
- (12) First SPECULUM printed and mailed:
August 15, 1992
- (13) Ground Breaking for the Abbey Church of Christ the King Abbey:
October 4, 1992
- (14) First Tridentine Mass Celebrated in the New Abbey Church:
December 24, 1994
- (15) Dedication of the Abbey Church:
April 23, 1995
- (16) The beginning of First Novitiate of St. Joseph Convent:
October 8, 1995
- (17) First Ordination (two Monks) to the Holy Priesthood:
October 25, 1995