

- We are all saddened at the death of our beloved friend, Father John Quinn of St. Pius V Chapel in Lake Zurich, Illinois. Father was always close to our Abbey, and visited us on several occasions. He was a good priest, and "sturdy and staunch" in the protection of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the true Catholic Faith. He was not a man for compromise. May God rest his soul.
- The Purple Martins are back, which means that the crows will move out for a while the martins chase them away. When the martins leave, the crows come back to visit with us.
- That time of year is here when we fight the Japanese beetle plague. The bugs last only about two weeks but defoliate much of our greenery. We spend a lot of time spraying.

- Together with the faithful members of our Chapels, the Monks and Nuns of our Abbey and Convent had the private use of the local theatre for the showing of The Passion of the Christ. Before the movie began, all present recited the Fifth Decade of the Sorrowful Mysteries – in the theatre. After the showing, all returned to the Abbey where a penitential repast of bread and water (and a bit of cheese) was served to all. This was followed by the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, and, Compline, all in the Abbey Church.
- The Monks are busy working on the new property which the Sisters recently acquired for the construction of the hoped for permanent Convent. Your special prayers please. The property is unusual and beautiful.
- As we go to press, Father Abbot is getting over a serious attack of the stomach virus making the rounds in these parts. Frater Joseph and several lay people are down with it but are recovering. It is truly a "bad thing."

BE ASSURED OF THE PERPETUAL PRAYERS OF THE MONKS OF CHRIST THE KING ABBEY AND THE NUNS OF ST JOSEPH'S MONASTERY. PLEASE THINK ABOUT PLACING US IN YOUR WILL.

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