



■ By the beautiful Grace of God, our Father Michael celebrated his 15th anniversary as a Monk in vows. May God bless him and extend his joy into many blessed years of service.

■ As has been the case in most parts of the world, our winter weather this year has been most unpredictable. We join all who pray for the victims of the earthquake and tsunami in the Indian Ocean. We hope that all of us take note of this catastrophe.

■ Whenever the weather permits, we are quite busy with our usual Spring trimming and cleanup. This is always quite a job, but the result is well worth the effort put forth.

■ Every now and then, our Abbot asks for unusual things. His latest request, of all things, has been for an anvil. No one knows why he needs an anvil. (*Pssst... Ask the monks!*) Anyway, word “leaked” out, and the request has reached the ears of several of our beloved friends and benefactors. But now, as might be expected, **PLEASE — PLEASE — PLEASE — S T O P!** No more anvils! One is more than ordinarily necessary. Even the Abbot has become alarmed. Thank you everyone. Our next request is: Do you know anyone who needs an anvil?

■ As mentioned elsewhere in this issue of the *Speculum*, Mollie Deptuch, now Sister Mary Bernadette, O.S.B., has entered our Convent’s Novitiate. The day was glorious in every way, even though quite cold. Please pray for Sister Mary Bernadette and the Convent.

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