



CONGREGATION OF BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

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Benedictine Sisters' to close exhibits during monastery renovations

CLYDE, Mo. - The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration will temporarily close two exhibits during the monastery renovations in Clyde beginning Sunday, March 7, 2010.

The Heritage Room and the Relic Chapel will not be available for tours during the renovation, but the Adoration Chapel will remain open and available for guests.

“Hospitality is a benchmark of Benedictine life, and the sisters always welcome visitors,” Director of Communications Kelley Baldwin said. “The temporary closure of certain exhibits is for safety reasons and to allow the sisters storage space during the renovation of the main house. However, the Adoration Chapel is open to those who wish to visit and pray in its sacred space.”

The project - [Sacred Stones, Sacred Stories](#) - will include new hospitality areas, private bedrooms and baths and a new elevator.

The Relic Chapel houses an extensive collection, unmatched anywhere in the United States, of more than 500 saints' relics and artifacts. Many of the relics, which include the remains of St. Beatrice, a 13-year-old martyr from the early Roman Christian centuries, were gifts from European monasteries in gratitude for the sisters' financial support after World War I. On exhibit in the Heritage Room are beautiful hand-stitched vestments, chalices, banners and information about the altar bread making history of the Congregation.

The Adoration Chapel is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. For more information, please visit www.clydemonastery.org.



Benedictine Sisters' Heritage Room

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