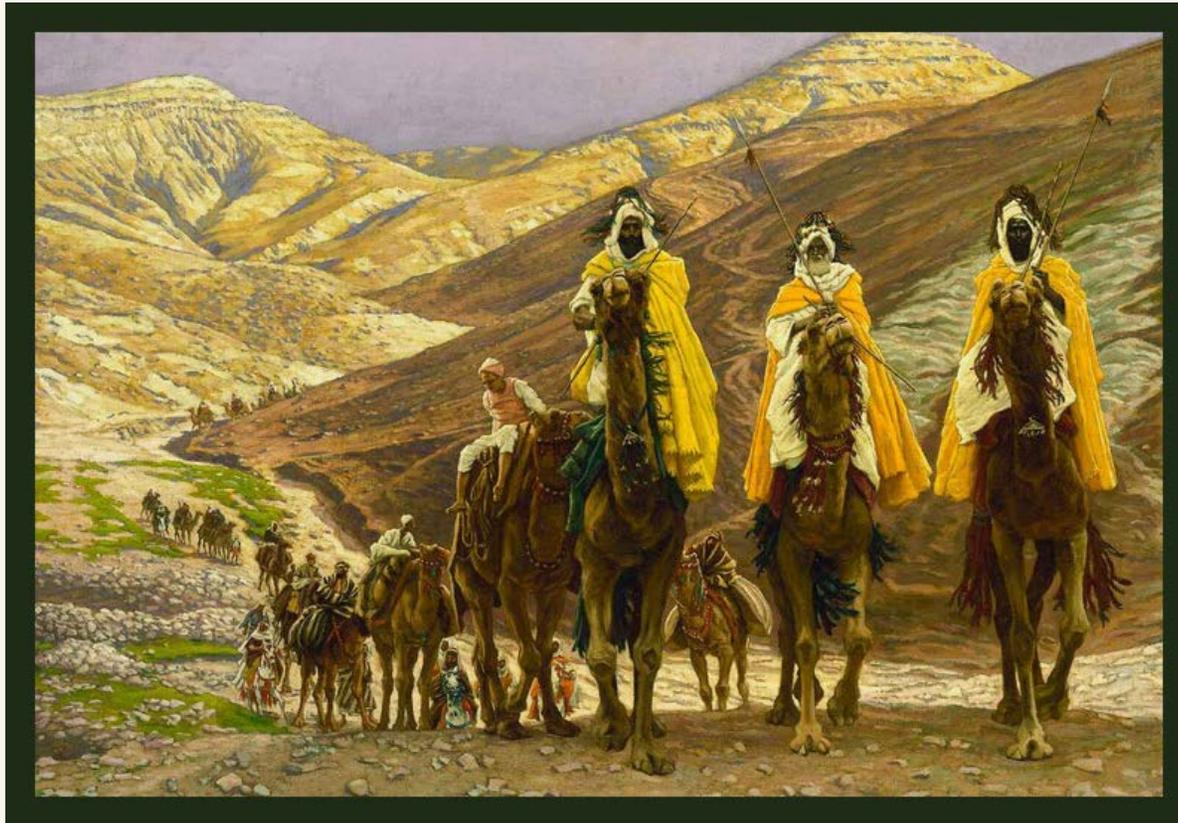


Saint Leo Abbey Oblates Email List



~ Advent: On the way to Jesus Christ. Following the Star ~

FAST FACTS

1. Abbot Isaac asked everyone to read the Apostolic Letter

**Dear Oblates, Oblate
Novices, and Friends
of Saint Leo Abbey,**

1. Apostolic letter for

The main picture is *Journey of the Magi*, by James Tissot, c. 1894

The picture is at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts.



Saint Scholastica

This wonderful sister of Saint Benedict knew the love of God and its power. [Here](#) is her story from Chapter 33 of the *Life of Benedict*.

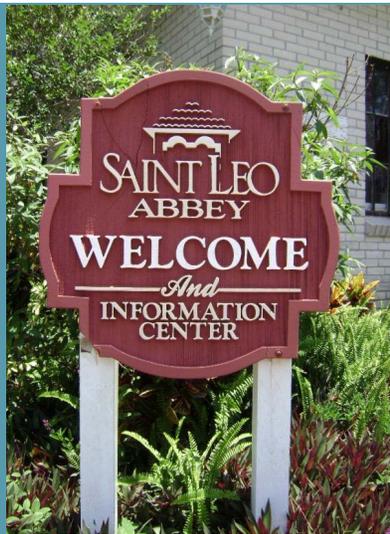
January 4, 2015 oblates class

Abbot Isaac said last Sunday, the first of Advent, Pope Francis invited the Church to celebrate a year for Religious Life.

Abbot Isaac asked everyone to read Apostolic Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis to all Consecrated People on the Occasion of the Year of Consecrated Life.

You may read the letter at the Vatican website, [here](#), or download the letter in PDF for printing, [here](#).

Although not requested by Abbot Isaac, if you find additional resources that would assist in our study of the Apostolic letter, please reply to this email with a link or description and they will be made available to the oblates.



OBLATES

A brief definition of "Benedictine oblate" is [here](#).

Are you making your own Christmas list of Benedictine books? The [Novice and Oblate Resources Page](#) on the blog has many books that would love to get on your "what I want for Christmas" list.

We are fortunate that Abbot Isaac asked us to read and become familiar with this important letter for the January 4, 2015 oblate class.

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The above three pictures from left to right are Mary Magdalen who chose the better part; Pope Leo XIII who was Pope when Saint Leo Abbey began; and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux or Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face, O.C.D., was a

French Discalced Carmelite nun.
