

# Benedictine Voice

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## Benedictine Sisters Celebrate Centennial Year Closing Liturgy in Boerne



December 7, 2011 marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Boerne Benedictine Sisters. The Sisters began commemorating this historical event in December 2010 with an opening Gala in San Antonio. They concluded their yearlong Centennial Celebration with a closing Liturgy and reception on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> in Boerne at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church and Community Center.

Over 225 family members, friends, Oblates, former Sisters, alumni, benefactors, and Religious braved the cold and rain to join the Sisters at the closing event. Bishop John Yanta celebrated the Eucharist and Msgr. James Henke, Fr. Anthony Cummins and Msgr. Albert Hubertus concelebrated with him.

The Mass was bi-lingual, featuring the St. Peter's Spanish Choir. Msgr. Henke delivered an inspiring homily

and his message about vision, courage, and change wove together the Gospel readings with the history and spirit of the Benedictine Sisters over the last 100 years. Sr. Bernadine Reyes, OSB, Prioress, closed the service with reflections on the Sisters' journey from the past to where they are today.

The reception, catered by Hungry Horse Restaurant of Boerne, provided a variety of delicious foods to warm guests while they enjoyed visiting with the Sisters, seeing Benedictine memorabilia, and viewing the newly completed Centennial DVD. It was wonderful to have so many people in one place, honoring this important milestone and the Sisters, who have done so much in the areas of education, health care, spirituality, outreach, justice and peace in the century since their founding.

*(more photos on pages 6 and 7)*























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***Christmas Eve Service***

*Saturday, December 24th at 7 PM  
St. Scholastica Monastery Chapel  
Reception to Follow*



*The Benedictine Sisters wish  
you and yours a very  
Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year!*

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