**Companions of St. Luke Chronology**

24 May 2022

Brackets indicate the source of the information other than CSL documents.

1992

June 13: Br. Michael-John Austin professed; the Companions of St. Luke is founded; the Rt. Reverend Br. John-Charles, Assisting Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy and Superior of the Franciscan Order of Divine Compassion is the bishop visitor

July 21: Incorporated in the State of Illinois

1993

March 10: Articles of incorporation submitted

June 2: Recognized as an exempt charitable organization by the US Internal Revenue Service

1994

Leased 4,000 sq. ft. from the Edgewater Presbyterian Church 1020 West Bryn Mawr. Chicago, IL CSL calls it the Priory of St. Benedict. [Br Thomas Ferrell]

May: Rt. Rev. W.C.R. Sheridan becomes CSL bishop visitor

1995

Oct. 21: Br. Michael-John Austin receives life vows and receives the three postulants as novices

1998

Priory of St. Benedict moves to 4910 Magnolia, Chicago, IL, owned by St. Augustine College [Br. Thomas Ferrell]

2000

Michael-John Austin has the title of prior

Fr. Wayne Kamm associated with CSL at least by New Year’s Eve [Br. Joseph Florian Campbell]

Bishop Christopher Epting, Bishop of Iowa, becomes bishop visitor [Sr. Anna Grace Madden; Br, Thomas Ferrell]

April 27: Priory moved to Donnellson, Iowa [Br. Thomas Ferrell]

2001-2007 A period of rapid growth—from five members to over 30 [Abbot David Gerns]

2003

Convocations moved to Conception Abbey due to membership growth [Abbot David Gerns]

2004

Aug. 11: Recognition of CSL by House of Bishops

Oct. 26 Installation of Michael John Austin as abbot

2007

Bp. Dean Wolfe, Bishop of Kansas becomes bishop visitor

2009

Nov. 13 Abbot Michael John inhibited

Nov. 13 Fr. Wayne Kamm appointed guardian

Nov. 26 Abbot Michael-John Austin resigns

2010

October: Br. Robert Cotton elected as abbot [Br. Robert Cotton]

November 17: Donnellson property sold

2015

May: Br. Basil Edwards elected as abbot [Br. Robert Cotton]

2016

Br. David appointed as prior by Abbot Basil [Abbot David Gerns]

2019

January: Abbot Basil Edwards is hospitalized and asks Br. David Gerns to be CSL guardian. [Abbot David Gerns]

March 2: Abbot Basil Edwards passes away [Sr. Toni Sylvester]

May: Br. David Gerns elected as abbot [Abbot David Gerns]

2020

Bp. Alan Scarfe becomes bishop visitor

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