

Some Participating Communities

- *Benedictine Priory of St. Mary*
- *Community of St. Mary, Southern Province*
- *Holy Spirit Monastery, Zimbabwe*
- *House of Initia Nova*
- *New Benedictine Community of the Holy Trinity*
- *The Canon Communities of St. Benedict*
- *The Community of Solitude*
- *The Companions of St. Luke – OSB*

If you have participated in our periodic ABC meetings and would like to have your community included in our listing of communities, please let us know.



Communication

Following our regular meetings we hope to share our common experiences with the communities we represent. Communication with members of the *Confederation* is expected to consist of a twice-a-year written publication published publicly to inform all of its members on its ongoing life. The *Confederation* uses social media, email, on-line networks to share this information to its members and affiliates.

On the Internet

Anglican Benedictine Confederation (ABC), public group on Facebook at:

[facebook.com/groups/
333044071005068/](https://facebook.com/groups/333044071005068/)

For More Information

Anglican/Episcopal Benedictine and other communities who may feel called to enter into this international dialogue and discussion are invited to e-mail us at:

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The Anglican Benedictine Confederation



***Building a Community
of Communities***

Since 2020

Vision

The *Anglican Benedictine Confederation* is envisioned as a body into which the Benedictine communities and monasteries of the Anglican Communion are gathered as a living network of mutual sharing and common interest throughout the world. It is anticipated that membership will consist of voluntary participation by both recognized Anglican communities, both traditional and contemporary, cloistered and dispersed, and their companion groups of (non-Anglican affiliates).

Structure

Currently our structure is made up of regular (every six to eight weeks) *Confederation* meetings to get to know each other, our communities, and share common interest and concerns to us all as Anglican monastic Benedictine communities from around the world. Once we have worked together for some time we may seek more wisdom and discernment around a common structure or perhaps a Constitution or Common Agreement among participants. Right now we are following the precepts of the Rule of Benedict to *LISTEN* attentively to each other.



Mission

The goals or mission of the *Anglican Benedictine Confederation* are:

- 1) International networking and sharing of information.
- 2) The ongoing establishment of a Cycle of Prayer for all the Anglican Benedictine communities and groups around the world.
- 3) The development of common goals around rule of life, religious formation, liturgical practices, promotion of social justice and proper use of creation, and mutual support.
- 4) An international gathering every three years of all of the communities represented in the *Confederation* for three days of prayer, exposition of ideas, and collaboration.

Confederation Prayer

Heavenly Father, our guide to holy living in community, Saint Benedict, taught us that Christ is in us and present in other people we meet, so that there are no moments when he is not alongside us, or welcome and hospitality should be absent from our minds. Help us in the Anglican Benedictine Confederation to encourage and support each other and be aware of God speaking to us every day and moving us forward together to establish communities bringing a taste of heaven to earth. This we ask through your Son Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

