

Letter from S. Lynn Marie McKenzie, OSB

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Dear CIB sisters all,

Today I received the email below with the attached circular letter from the Abbot Primate. The circular letter informs us that the 2020 Congress of Abbots in Rome has been postponed until 2021. You will see the new dates in the circular letter.

Please be informed also that our CIB meeting in Assisi will also be postponed until 2021. Further details will come later about the dates and location, after the CIB Council has had an opportunity to meet. Our planned CIB Council meeting scheduled for next week in Belgium has also been cancelled, which is disappointing.

I hope to send out a new video message to you all soon.

Please, Sister Delegates, would you send this out to your regions so that all will be informed of this change of plans? Many thanks in advance.

With or without the coronavirus impacting our world, we remain Benedictines in communion, praying for each other and for our world. Thank you for your fidelity to our monastic way of life. I believe that our witness to our common way of life is more important than ever. Our world needs you, needs your witness to hope and joy!

May we always prefer nothing whatever to Christ and may he bring us all together to everlasting life! (RB 72:11-12)

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