

SR. MANUELA SCHEIBA OSB

- **Born** on November 18, 1959 in Hennigsdorf near Berlin (former East-Germany)
- **1966-1978** Primary and secondary school; German university entrance qualification
- **1979-1983** Academic studies of economics and philosophy at the (East-Berlin Humboldt-University)
- **1983-1988** Economist at the (East-Berlin hospital *Charité*)
- **August 15, 1988** Entrance to St. Gertrud's Benedictine Abbey in Alexanderdorf (south of Berlin)
- **August 6th, 1994** Solemn profession
- **1996-1999** Theological and monastic studies at St. Anselmo in Rome, bachelor and licentiate in theology
- **2005-2007** Doctoral thesis (moderated by Sr. Aquinata Böckmann OSB) on 20th-century RB-commentaries dealing with the topic of "obedience to the superior"
- **Since 2008** (only during the summer term each year): Lecturer at the Monastic Institute at St. Anselmo in Rome (lessons and seminars on exegesis and hermeneutics of the Rule of St. Benedict)
- **Post-graduate studies** at the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome (Eastern Monasticism)

At home in Alexanderdorf:

- Member of the counsel and of the *schola cantorum*
- Lessons for the novices (RB, Benedictine history, pre-benedictine monasticism)
- RB-workshops for the community (and guests)
- Work in the guesthouse (retreats, spiritual counselling)
- Assistance and participation in the monastery's icon writing courses

External work (in addition to St. Anselmo):

Member of the Editorial Board of "Tjurunga:

An Australasian Benedictine Review"

Collaborator for «Bulletin de spiritualité monastique»,
Collectanea Cisterciensia (Book reviews)

Various talks on Benedictine Spirituality

RB-Workshops in Kenya, Tanzania, Italy, Germany,
Lithuania, Sweden, USA, Switzerland, Ireland, Australia.

Articles published in English:

SCHEIBA, M., *Explication of the RB As a Signal of the Time. Rule Commentaries of the Twentieth Century*, Tj 72/5 (2007) 75-86; ABR 61:2 (2010) 138-149].

SCHEIBA, M., *Learning to Pray: A Journey through Benedict's Chapter on Humility*, ABR 64:2 (2013) 118-137.

SCHEIBA, M., *The Transforming Power of Sacred Scripture in the Rule of Saint Benedict*, ABR 64:4 (2013) 384-403.

USEFUL NOTES

- Board and lodgings from October 21-November 10, 2015 are covered by a grant for the first 40 participants. Beyond that number fees will be charged.
- A fee of Php5,000. -is required for registration and materials.
- The Center has several chapels and extensive grounds; 100 single rooms are equipped with B/T. – see website: www.stscholasticacenter.ph
- Books for reference: RB 80 with Latin text
Cassian's Institutes and Conferences

ORGANIZATION

- The course starts on October 21 (arrival day) and ends on November 10, 2015 (departure day) after breakfast .
- Conferences and plenary sessions: in the forenoons
- Personal study and/or group work: in the afternoons

Information / Registration:
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RB STUDY WEEKS PHASE VIII

October 21 - November 10, 2015

directed by

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**WITH CHRIST REACHING
THE GOAL**



Monte Cassino 1030 Initial with
Christus, Mary, Benedict

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Tagaytay, November 22, 2014

Dear Fathers, Sisters, and Brothers of the Benedictine and Cistercian Orders,

We would like to invite you to the 8th Intensive Study of the Rule of Benedict at the St. Scholastica's Center of Spirituality in Tagaytay from October 21-November 10, 2015. This eighth phase will be an exegetical study of the RB chapters 53-73 and not a general renewal course nor a retreat.

The participants will get the benefit of the latest research results of Sr. Manuela on the above-mentioned chapters. Hopefully they will enabled them to imbibe knowledge from a thematic presentation of the Holy Rule pass them on to others in formation and education.

Welcome to one and all!

The Missionary Benedictine Sisters of
Tutzing - The Manila Priory

Course content RB 53-73

I. Opening: The Monastery and the World (RB 53[66]-57)

- a) **The Oratory as a Threshold (RB 52)**
- b) **The Reception of Guests (RB 53)**
- c) **The Porters of the Monastery (RB 66)**
- d) **Spiritual Base Lines (RB 53 - RB 57)**

II. Welcoming New Members (RB 58-61[62])

- a) **The Procedure for Receiving New Members (RB 58)**
- b) **Particular Cases (RB 59 – RB 61)**

III. Rank and Officials (RB [62] 63 – RB 21.31.58.64.65)

- a) **The Novice Master (RB 58)**
- b) **The Deans of the Monastery (RB 21)**
- c) **The Cellarer as a Preliminary Model (RB 31)**
- d) **The Priests of the Monastery (RB 62)**
- e) **Community Rank (RB 63)**
- f) **The Prior of the Monastery (RB 65)**
- g) **The Election of an Abbot (RB 64)**

IV. The Appendix (RB 67-[71]73)

- a) **Brothers sent on a Journey (RB 67)**
- b) **Assignment of Impossible Tasks to a Brother (RB 68)**
- c) **The Presumption of Defending Another in the Monastery and of Striking Another Monk at Will (RB 69-70)**
- d) **Mutual Obedience (RB 71)**

V. RB 72-73 as a Key to Benedict's Rule

- a) **The Good Zeal of Monks (RB 72)**
- b) **This Rule – Only a Beginning of Perfection (RB 73)**
- c) **Conclusion: Aspects of Benedictine Spirituality (RB 72-73)**