

### **3. FLEMISH-DUTCH PROVINCE**

*Anglo-Belgian Province erected 1867*

*Flemish Province erected 1876*

*Houses of the former Dutch Congregation  
united with the Flemish Province 2004*

## **MONKS**

*VISITOR: Abbot Kris Op de Beeck (Leuven)*

elected 7-9 August 1995, re-elected 2003 for 8 years.

*PROVINCIAL COUNCIL: Abbot Rik de Wit & D. Idesbald Verkest (Affligem); Abbot Gerard Van Malderen & D. Juul De Decker (Dendermonde); Prior Erik-Godfried Feys & D. Ben Deneut (Steenbrugge); Abbot Kris Op De Beeck & D. Filip Steeno (Leuven); Abbot Rien Van Den Heuvel & D. Frans Huiting (Teteringen); Abbot Rien & D. Kefas Rietkerk (Slangenburg).*

*NEXT PROVINCIAL CHAPTER: 2012*

# 1. AFFLIGEM

St. Pieters-en-Paulus Abdij,  
Abdijstraat 6  
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Belgium

## Community

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## P. Ab. Rik De Wit

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Sui Juris - Abbey; Date of foundation (1062) 1887 / aggregation 1858  
(at Dendermonde).

Time zone: GMT +1

**Abbot: P.D. Rik De Wit**, born 08.04.1937, prof 20.08.1957, ord. 25.08.1963, el.abbot of Affligem 29.04.2008, blessed 21.06.2008.

**Bishop Emeritus of Pietersburg (Polokwane): P.D. Fulgence Le Roy**, born 23.08.1924, prof. (Affligem) 22.09.1947, ordained priest 20.07.1952, elected abbot of Pietersburg, 18.12.1974, nom. Titular bishop of Ausafa 10.07.1975, consecrated 14.09.1975, translated to new see of Pietersburg 15.12.1988, resigned 17.02.2000.

**Abbot Emeritus: P.D. Benedikt Verschelden**, born 14.08.1933, prof 14.09.1953, ord 31.05.1958, el. Abbot of Affligem 08.11.1999 blessed 27.02.2000, resig. 24.01.2008

**Abbot Emeritus: P. D. Jan Goetghebeur**, born 31.01.1925, prof. 05.10.1944, ord. 31.07.1949, el. Abbot of Affligem 14.04.1962, blessed 25.07.1962, resig. 23.09.1999

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Lukas Pijnaert, <i>Prior</i>	23.01.1937	21.03.1961	
Marcel De Schutter	02.11.1920	29.09.1943	29.08.1948
Idesbald Verkest	04.02.1925	14.10.1945	23.07.1950
Wilfried Verleyen	22.08.1931	29.09.1950	26.12.1955
Frits van Leeuwen	10.01.1931	11.10.1952	
Franciscus Parré	02.09.1932	13.11.1957	
Joseph Van den Speeten	25.10.1947	17.09.1966	04.08.1973
Bruno Van Herreweghe	07.06.1952	01.05.1974	
Marc Van Oudenhove	31.10.1937	11.07.1980	

Maarten De Vleeschauwer	14.05.1953	28.10.1988
Franco Pijnaert	02.03.1944	28.10.1988
George Pijnacker	29.03.1960	22.12.1990
Laurens Geenen	15.05.1960	04.05.1991
Pascal Van Cutsem	09.01.1969	27.12.1993
Philippe Duran	27.07.1974	06.08.2003

*Monks resident elsewhere:*

D. Marc Van Oudenhove, *c/o the Abbey*

## 2. DENDERMONDE

Sint Pieters- en Paulusabdij  
Vlasmarkt 23  
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Belgium

### Community

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### P. Ab. D. Gerard Van Malderen

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Sui Juris - Abbey; founded 1837 / aggregated 1858.

Time zone: GMT +1

**Abbot: P.D. Gerard Van Malderen**, born 07.04.1947, Prof. 12.09.1966, ord.  
12.08.1978, el. Abbot of Dendermonde 29.11.2007, blessed 03.02.2008

**Abbot Emeritus : P. D. Roger De Coster**, born 29.05.1937, prof. 25.09.1976, ord.  
16.06.1962, el. Abbot of Dendermonde 27.05.1980, blessed 29.06.1980, resigned  
25.11.2007

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Juul De Decker, <i>Prior</i>	04.09.1943	30.08.1963	12.08.1978
Justinus Desmyter	23.01.1929	17.09.1948	25.07.1953
Hildebert De Meyer	27.08.1927	17.09.1948	25.07.1953
Johannes Laureys	27.06.1931	13.09.1951	15.06.1957
Ambroos De Cock	09.10.1932	13.09.1951	15.06.1957
Faust Vertenten	22.02.1931	12.09.1952	31.05.1958
Stefaan Daelman	23.05.1933	13.09.1954	11.06.1960
Daniël Peleman	12.05.1937	26.04.1957	
Antoon Laureys	19.05.1935	05.10.1957	
Emiel Roosens	16.05.1938	28.08.1959	25.04.1965
Frans De Kimpe	20.07.1932	13.06.1962	
Hugo Coudijzer	26.01.1957	21.03.1989	03.07.1993

*Necrology*: D. Romuald Verwilghen, 18.06.2011

*Monks resident elsewhere* :D. Faust Vertenten, *Polokwane*

### 3. STEENBRUGGE

St.-Pietersabdij Steenbrugge, “Huize Pax”  
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Belgium

#### Community

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Sui Juris - Abbey; Date of foundation (1084) 1889 / aggregation 1889;  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Conventual Prior: P. D. Erik-Godfried Feys**, born 17.12.1948, prof. 26.09.1981,  
ord. 18.02.1978, el. Conv. Prior 04.06.1999

**Abbot Emeritus: P. D. Anselm Hoste**, born 30.12.1930; prof. 26.09.1951; ord.  
25.07.1956; el. Abbot of Steenbrugge 03.07.1981; blessed 20.08.1981; resig. 06.1994

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Ben Deneut	09.07.1941	02.09.1963	13.09.1970
Bernard Vanderbeken	04.02.1938	26.09.1981	
Jozef Ghekiere	29.05.1926	28.04.1983	
Johannes Geirnaert	18.02.1931	27.12.1983	
Thomas-Eric Schockaert	31.05.1953	06.10.1984	11.08.1987
Paulus Velter	08.07.1930	05.05.1987	

## 4. POLOKWANE / PIETERSBURG

Saint Benedict's Abbey Subiaco  
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0700 POLOKWANE  
South Africa

### Community

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### P. D. Jeffrey Steele

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Sui Juris - Abbey; Date of foundation 1910 / aggregation 1910;  
Time zone: GMT +2

**Prior Administrator: P. D. Jeffrey Steele**, born 03.10.1943, prof. 05.06.1997, ord.  
23.06.2007. Appointed 21.11.2010.

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Phina J. Mmakola, <i>Sub-prior</i>	04.04.1954	18.12.1980	13.09.2003
Faust Vertenten			
Thomas-Benedict Baxter ( <i>from Christ in the Desert</i> )			
Sipho P. Bernard Mathabela	24.05.1963	15.01.1991	08.09.2001
Dominic Mohapi	04.01.1965	11.07.1991	25.11.2006
Gabriel Mkhabela	12.06.1967	21.03.1995	
<i>Prof. temp.</i>			
Lawrence Monyatsi	13.01.1982	24.06.2009	
Clement Foloko	12.02.1982	28.03.2010	
Theophile Ghislain Malavu Pikinini	09.07.1968	11.07.2011	
Alexis Lephoi Keta	31.03.1985	11.07.2011	

*Novice: I*

*Monks resident elsewhere:*

D. Sipho P. Bernard Mathabela, *c/o the abbey*

D. Faust Vertenten, *c/o the abbey*

## 5. LEUVEN (Keizersberg, Mont César)

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Mechelsestraat 202  
B-3000 LEUVEN  
Belgium

### Community

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Sui Juris - Abbey; Date of foundation 1899 / aggregation 1968;  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abbot: P. D. Kris Op De Beeck**, born 23.04.1956, prof. 08.09.1983, ord. 08.09.1989,  
el. Abbot of Leuven 06.05.1993, blessed 11.07.1993

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Dirk Hanssens, <i>Prior</i>	04.10.1962	05.02.1989	01.05.1993
Guibert Michiels	18.11.1927	15.01.1948	25.07.1951
Maurice Chevalier	15.10.1947	08.09.1973	
Filip Steeno	04.08.1964	26.12.1997	17.02.2007

## 6. TETERINGEN / OOSTERHOUT

Sint-Pauluscommuniteit  
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Netherlands

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Netherlands

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### P. Ab. adm. Rien van den Heuvel

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Sui Juris -Abbey; Date of foundation 1907 / aggregation 2004;  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abbot Admin : P. D. Rien Van Den Heuvel, (Slangenburgh)**

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Frans Huiting, <i>Prior</i>	28.09.1923	18.05.1944	17.12.1949
Frans Vromen	25.04.1918	28.05.1939	23.12.1944
Jacobus van der Bom	30.11.1923	25.01.1944	17.12.1949
Pancratius Sigfried	19.09.1925	11.07.1945	
Wim Ramaekers	25.04.1926	16.05.1948	19.12.1953
Nico van den Berg	18.10.1920	04.05.1952	21.12.1957
Guus Schlatmann	01.11.1924	04.05.1952	21.12.1957
Adriaan Putters	21.12.1929	04.05.1952	21.12.1957
Nico Wesselingh	12.11.1927	27.05.1954	21.12.1959
Wiro Zijlstra	02.09.1934	26.07.1954	
Mattheus Notenboom	17.08.1929	12.10.1954	
Kees Vissers	21.05.1933	12.10.1954	
Piet Braat	29.04.1937	26.11.1972	

*Monks resident elsewhere:*

D. Jacobus van der Bom, Eindhoven  
D. Nicolaas van den Berg, Oosterhout

## 7. SLANGENBURG

St. Willibrordsabdij  
Slangenburg,  
Abdijlaan 1  
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Netherlands

### Community

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### P. Ab.D. Rien van den Heuvel

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Sui Juris - Abbey; Date of foundation 1945 / aggregation 2004;  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abbot : P. D. Rien van den Heuvel**, born 21.04.1938, prof. 15.05.1958, ord.  
24.08.1965, el. Abbot of Oosterhout 24.07.1985, ben. 03.09.1985, el. Abbot of  
Slangenburg, 03.09.2007.

Monks	Born	Professed	Ordained
Kefas Rietkerk, <i>Prior</i>	24.12.1939	05.06.2003	
Henry Vesseur, <i>Sub Prior</i> .	28.06.1959	08.09.1980	29.06.1993
Gerard Helwig	02.06.1920	15.06.1943	18.12.1948
Jaap Hendrix	06.02.1918	24.06.1937	19.06.1943
Jos Kocken	10.12.1933	26.05.1960	
Co Jansen	05.07.1943	11.11.1965	07.11.1987

### *Necrology:*

Abbot Emeritus Cornelius Tholens, 05.02.2011

D. Ton Nuy, 26.08.2011

### *Monks resident elsewhere:*

D. Jaap Hendrix, *c/o the abbey*

D. Jos Kocken, *c/o the abbey*

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Netherlands

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<b>Monks</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Professed</b>	<b>Ordained</b>
Paul Maes	07.12.1933	10.05.1956	17.12.1961
Piet Lourijzen	18.12.1927	02.07.1950	
Wim de Froe	12.08.1940	15.08.1965	

**NUNS**

**ASSOCIATED WITH THE**

**FLEMISH-DUTCH PROVINCE**

# 1. BONHEIDEN

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Zellaerdreef 5  
B-2820 BONHEIDEN  
Belgium

## Community

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## R.M. Mechtild Asselberg

Founded: (Herent, 1969) 1975 / associated 1969  
Abbey – Diocesan jurisdiction  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abess: M. Mechtild Asselberg**, born 16.05.1938, prof. 31.05.1986, elected abess  
09.05.1999, blessed 09.10.1999

### ***Sisters***

	<b><i>Born</i></b>	<b><i>Prof.</i></b>
Sr Renata Gijbsbrechts, <i>Prioress</i>	09.11.1942	06.04.1970
Sr Emmanuel Copray	06.02.1922	05.08.1947
Sr Christien Snoeck	05.07.1928	21.03.1976
Sr Lutgart Wuytack	15.10.1950	09.10.1977
Sr Johanna Lövenich	17.09.1920	06.01.1978
Sr Agnes den Boer	04.10.1950	25.03.1981
Sr Irmengard Vermeulen	28.08.1932	08.12.1982
Sr Scholastica Appelman	16.11.1933	09.10.1987
Sr Aldegondis Vandenbulcke	04.05.1942	23.05.1994

### *Necrology:*

Sr Michael Chin, 12.05.2011

## 2. BRUGGE - ST. GODELIEVE

St. Godelievesabdij  
Boeveriestraat 45  
B-8000 BRUGGE  
Belgium

### Community

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### R.M. Sabien Bousson

Abbey

Founded: (Gistel, c.1100, transf. Brugge 1578) 1623 / associated 1969

Time zone: GMT +1

**Abess: M. Sabien Bousson**, born 15.01.1940, prof. 29.04.1966, elected abbess  
16.05.1980, blessed 07.07.1980

### *Sisters*

Sr. Marie-Michel Belaem  
Sr. Odette Vanbeverem  
Sr. Marie-Agnes Decherf  
Sr. Hildegardis Beemaert

### *Born*

01.10.1926  
30.10.1930  
08.08.1932  
25.06.1933

### *Prof.*

14.04.1952  
28.08.1956  
26.12.1958  
02.07.1962

### 3. GISTEL

Abdij S. Godelieve "Ten Putte"  
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B-8470 GISTEL  
Belgium

#### **Community**

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#### **R.M. Bernarda Herpels**

Abbey founded (c.1200, Bruges 1578) 1891 / associated 1969.  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abess: M. Bernarda Herpels**, born 13.08.1938, prof. 26.02.1961, elected  
24.03.1980, blessed 14.04.1980

#### ***Sisters***

#### ***Born***

#### ***Prof.***

Sr. Maria Snaet, <i>Prioress</i>	04.11.1945	06.06.1971
Sr. Columba Desmet	18.05.1929	05.10.1953
Sr. Maura Couvreur	11.10.1932	23.03.1956
Sr. Geertrui Desmet	31.12.1930	28.10.1956
Sr. Amanda Vanremoortele	9.06.1934	22.04.1958
Sr. Mechteld Dewicke	10.01.1932	15.08.1959

## 4. LEUVEN

Abdij Maria Mediatrix en h. Wivina  
Maria Theresiastraat, 94  
3000 LEUVEN  
Belgium

### Community

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### R.M. Kirsten M. Van Cauwenberg

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Founded (Affligem, 11.02.1921) 1.03.2006 / associated 1969;  
Time zone: GMT +1

**Abdess: D. Kirsten Maria Van Cauwenberg**, born 10.05.1948, prof. 21.03.1987,  
Prioress Administrator 28.04.1999, elected abbess 24.05.2001, blessed 26.05.2001.

**Abdess emerita: Sr Geertrui De Munter**, born 17.08.1941, prof. 07.10.1977, elected  
abbess 19.12.1988, resigned 10.11.1994, *Prioress*

### *Sisters*

Sr. Laurentia Verschingel  
Sr. Raphael Schim van der Loeff  
Sr. Johanna Dewitte  
Sr. Hedwig Vandekerckove  
Sr. Renata Van den Berghe  
Sr. Mia Quaghebeur  
Sr. Magda Servotte  
Sr. Sophia Wald

### *Born*

23.11.1916  
05.09.1918  
07.05.1928  
31.12.1926  
11.02.1935  
03.10.1939  
01.10.1944  
15.04.1915

### *Prof.*

28.05.1944  
03.07.1946  
24.06.1952  
26.07.1956  
29.04.1962  
19.05.1973  
13.05.1978  
04.11.1978

## 5. OOSTERHOUT

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Nederland

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### R.M. Martha Verstraeten

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Abbey – Founded from Wisques, 08.12.1919. Associated 2004  
Time zone : GMT +1

**Abdess:** **Sr Martha Verstraeten**, born 08.10.1964, prof. 01.11.1998, elected abdess 30.07.2009, blessed 24.09.2009

**Abdess emerita:** **Sr Benedicta Meulenberg**, born 22.02.1933, prof 06.08.1969, elected abdess 22.11.1993, blessed 21.01.1994, resigned 18.06.2009.

**Abdess emerita:** **Sr Agnes Van Griensven**, born 14.09.1925, prof. 02.06.1952, elected abdess 07.06.1971, blessed 18.07.1971, resigned 22.11.1993.

### *Sisters*

Sr. Dymphna Bulkman  
Sr. Bernardette van der Horst  
Sr. Juliana Veld  
Sr. Teresa van der Veen  
Sr. Maria Rosa Gijzen  
Sr. Lucie Gimbrere  
Sr. Mechtilde Hilhorst  
Sr. Maura van den Oudenrijn  
Sr. Clara van Liemt  
Sr. Dionysia Broeders  
Sr. Elisabeth Damen  
Sr. Dymphna-Maria Broeders  
Sr. Laetitia Kolschoten

### *Born*

31.01.1921  
09.07.1920  
24.01.1921  
23.11.1926  
02.12.1929  
05.01.1928  
06.04.1928  
18.01.1932  
01.12.1927  
20.12.1932  
13.08.1927  
08.04.1934  
03.09.1933

### *Prof.*

28.04.1943  
02.07.1943  
07.11.1946  
25.03.1949  
15.05.1951  
29.09.1952  
19.03.1953  
13.09.1953  
11.10.1955  
18.02.1956  
19.03.1957  
25.03.1957  
14.09.1959

Sr. Lucia Wessels	19.11.1931	02.07.1962
Sr. Theresia Brandsen	20.01.1931	01.05.1963
Sr. Marcella van den Akker	13.06.1932	09.04.1967
Sr. Pauline van Ooyen	26.10.1935	02.02.1970
Sr. Lydia Nijhuis	13.07.1943	20.05.1979
Sr. Elia Niele	27.04.1942	06.08.1983
Sr. Christine van der Burg	12.01.1937	20.11.1983
Sr. Hannah Drost-van Spaendonck	30.06.1924	20.05.1984
Sr. Irene Kooymans	09.01.1961	17.10.1987
Sr. Geertruid Steenbakkers	15.09.1949	06.08.1988
Sr. Lutgard Vloemans	04.11.1961	11.11.1989
Sr. Hildegard Koetsveld	03.08.1955	06.08.1995
Sr. Simone van den Brink	07.01.1962	17.10.2001

*Novice: 1*

*Sister resident elsewhere:*

Sr Lutgard Vloemans, *c/o the abbey*

*Necrology*

Sr. Miriam Steins Bisschop, 20.06.2011