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## News Release

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### **Tucson Benedictine Sisters host Convocation for Vowed Religious**

**TUCSON, Ariz.**— The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration's Tucson, Ariz., community was host to the Diocesan Convention for Vowed Religious on Oct. 16.

Almost 90 men and women religious from the Tucson diocese explored *The Vows: A Trilogy of Love*, a presentation by Sister of Notre Dame Regina Robbins.

"She spoke of the vows as not being merely rules that limit us but a means to love more fully and freely the people we serve in God's name," Benedictine Sister Lynn Marie D'Souza said. "Her enthusiasm and obvious love of the vowed life was appreciated by all of us."

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Many of the Tucson diocese's religious gathered for their annual convocation (above) and enjoyed a presentation on vows by Sister Regina Robbins (left).

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The annual event is sponsored by the diocese's Convocation for Vowed Religious and gives men and women religious who serve the Church a chance to gather in one place and share their common faith and vocation.

"The gathering began with a lovely meal, and the room buzzed with conversation and laughter as we spent time in fellowship," Sister Lynn said. "Many who attended expressed their gratitude for the chance to encourage one another in our common calling."

After the presentation, Tucson's Bishop Gerald Kicanas spoke to those assembled. He shared details of his recent trip to Rome, answered questions from the group and presided at a celebration of the Eucharist.

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