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### **Benedictine Sisters welcome newest member**

**CLYDE, Mo.** – Sister Marie-Jona Yoo is the newest member of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration.

After a long discernment period where she learned more about the Benedictine Sisters, Sister Marie-Jona Yoo officially began the process to become a Sister of the BSPA Congregation.

During a ritual after Lauds on April 6 at the Sisters' Tucson, Ariz., monastery, Sister Marie-Jona began the three-year process to transfer from her Benedictine Olivetan community in South Korea.

“Sister Marie-Jona is a delightful addition to our Congregation, and we look forward to the time ahead where she will completely immerse herself in our Benedictine life and join us in prayer,” Vocation Director Sister Ruth Elaine Starman, OSB said.

Prior to entering her Olivetan community, Sister Marie-Jona was a dressmaker, so she will be a wonderful addition to the Benedictine Sisters' liturgical vestments department, which is based in Tucson.

The Congregation of the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration includes about 90 women in monasteries in Tucson, Clyde, Mo., and Dayton, Wyo.



**Prioress General Sister Pat Nyquist (left) with Sister Marie-Jona Yoo shortly after her transfer ceremony in early April.**

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