



## SAINT LOUIS ABBEY



### Abbot Patrick's Favorite Authors

How can I list my favorite books as I start the 90th decade of my life? Do I go back to the second decade when I discovered Dickens & Chesterton, to the third decade when I found Newman or to the last when von Balthasar appeared like a new star of blinding brilliance on the firmament. In making a choice for a Desert Island library they used to allow you the Bible & Shakespeare to start with. I will have them, of course, and, if you add Dickens, Chesterton, Tolkien and von Balthasar, I could live contentedly on any Desert Island, provided it is not so hot as St Louis in summer or as cold as Patagonia in winter.