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Sr. Pascaline Coff

Episode 1: 'The pillars of my spiritua l life' (28 min.)
What are the pillars of your spiritual life, Tom Fox asks Sr. Pascaline Coff. She answers: A devotion to the Sacred Heart, adoration and daily Mass. "My primary monastic vow, a constant turning to the Lord, and welcoming the Divine in the other has meant a lot to me," she adds. She also describes meeting Fr. Bede Griffiths and founding Osage Monastery in Oklahoma.

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The riches of interreligious dialogue
When the histories of the earliest East?West religious dialogues get written, with origins dating back close to a half century in the Catholic church, names like Thomas Merton, Bede Griffiths, Anthony de Mello, Raimon Panikkar will be listed with their contributions discussed. Another name certain to be on that list is Pascaline Coff, a Benedictine Sister of Perpetual Adoration and a co-founder of the Osage Monastery in Sand Springs, Okla. Coff combines a traditional Catholic devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with a Benedictine monastic sense of hospitality, seeing Christ in every stranger she meets. With these foundational pillars of spirituality, she also has a rare and brilliant openness to the Spirit in all the world's religions traditions. She lived in India for a year at Bede Griffiths' ashram and since then has participated in many hospitality exchanges between Christian and Tibetan Monastics in Asia and the United States.

Read part of Sr. Coff's story in the Sept. 21 issue of *NCR*: Religious exploration, wisdom and truth [3].

For more information
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