

APPENDIX 5

BALLOTS

1. A sufficient number of ballots must be prepared for the selecting of tellers, the naming of candidates, and the balloting for abbot. In the selecting of tellers each elector writes or checks only one name on one ballot; in the naming of candidates each elector may name at the most two candidates and may be asked to use a separate ballot for each person named if this will expedite the counting of ballots; there may be six balloting for the election itself.
2. The ballot may be a scored (for easy folding) piece of heavy-weight paper with different wording for each of the three uses mentioned above, or the same type of ballot may be used for all three ballotings. In either case it may be helpful if the ballot forms are of different color for each of the three uses.
3. The ballot to be cast in the election proper may have the following form:

I ELECT
or
I postulate

first name

family name

If this type of ballot is used, each elector should also be provided with a list of the names of those in the community who are eligible for election as abbot and of those who may be postulated. The distinction between the two categories should be made clear typographically by placing them in separate columns or by the use of type faces differing in size or style.

4. The election ballot may also take the form of a list of all community members eligible and of all who may be postulated (the two categories being clearly distinguished typographically), with a box before each name. Space should also be left on the ballot for the writing in of one or two non-community members. At the head of the ballot the words "I elect or I postulate" should occur.