

Christ the King Abbey

(Traditional Benedictines)

Cullman, Alabama

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Every Sunday: 6:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Daily: 6:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation:

6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel

Montgomery, Alabama

10:45 AM

Only on first Sunday
of each month

Saint Pius V Chapel

Birmingham, Alabama

9:30 AM

Every Sunday except
first Sunday of each month

Third Sunday of Advent – *Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday*

December 14, 2008 – Purple

Mass of Sunday no Gl; Cr; Pref. Holy Trinity

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*O Lord, uphold us and
our absent brethren.*

THE HOLY SEASON OF ADVENT

The Third Sunday of Advent

Gaudete (Rose) Sunday

If we wish to see God day after day, our faith must be of a better quality than we ordinarily give proof of; our understanding of Christ must be based upon the reality that existed in Him. Our constant prayer should be for an increase of Faith. If we wish to see God we must believe in God **Incarnate**. To believe in God Incarnate, it is not enough to believe that in a human "vesture" the Godhead is somehow "mixed" together with Man. It is to believe that this human vesture, in all its particulars, belongs to and is the proper clothing of the Divine. It is to believe that if God the Son is to be discovered on earth by men, He is to be found clothed in all the elements of His Humanity and in all the circumstances of His Humanity and in all the conditions of his Humanity, and in all of the outlooks, concerns, and necessities of His Humanity. It is to believe that the life of Jesus Christ on earth amongst men

IS THE DIVINE WAY OF MAN'S LIVING ON EARTH.

1. **CATECHISM CLASS:** Children 6 to 14 please meet Father Joseph in the vestibule right after the 10:00 Mass. work for preparation for Confirmation.
2. **Please Note Confirmation date is Sunday January 25, 2009.**
3. Wednesday, December 17, Friday, December 19, and Saturday, December 20, 2008, are the Winter Ember Days, and are days of Fast and Abstinence. Meat may be eaten **ONCE (only)** on Wednesday and Saturday at the main meal.
4. **The Ministers for Midnight Mass are:**
Master of Ceremonies: Father Michael OSB
Acolytes: Ronald Roberts and Stefan Roberts
Censor Bearer: Daniel Henderson
5. Victoria Meilleur will carry the Baby Jesus and place Him in His little crib – at midnight of Christmas.
6. **Early Notice:** Wednesday, December 24, 2008, is the Vigil of Christmas and is a day of fast and abstinence.
7. The 2009 Calendars are available at the usual price of \$8.00 each. At Christ the King Abbey in Cullman, see Father Bernard OSB. At Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel in Montgomery, see Mrs. Pam Olson. At Saint Pius V Chapel in Birmingham, see Mrs. Laurie Niebuhr.
9. **Please do not forget to pray, every day, for our sick and for all who have asked for our prayer, especially during this holy season of Christmas.**

Blessing of Bread next Sunday