

TRADITIONAL CHAPELS IN ALABAMA

Our Lady of Lourdes
Roman Catholic Chapel
Montgomery, Alabama

St. Francis of Assisi
Roman Catholic Chapel
Cullman, Alabama

St. Pius V
Roman Catholic Chapel
Birmingham, Alabama

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

10:30 A.M. - Rosary
10:45 A.M. - Mass
(ONLY on First Sunday
of each month)

6:00 A.M. - Mass
(EVERY SUNDAY)
12:30 P.M. - Mass
(EXCEPT on first
Sunday of each month)

9:10 A.M. - Rosary
9:30 A.M. - Mass
(EXCEPT on first
Sunday of each month)

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
PASSION SUNDAY *****
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THE STATUES ARE COVERED IN PURPLE

The last two weeks of Lent, known as Passiontide, compose the third and final step of the Easter preparation. During this time the Church, clad in mourning, reveals to us the sufferings of Christ in the last year of His life. This entire period of preparation, like Advent, is a time of penance. But unlike Advent, it is not an expectant penance preparing for the birth of the Redeemer, but a PENANCE OF REMORSE, preparing for the death of that Redeemer - our best and truest Friend. The penance of mortification of Lent means, of course, bodily penance, such as fasting from certain kinds of foods, and to observe in most cases a more restricted eating. But it also includes a fasting of the will - that is, not only denying to ourselves sinful pleasures and indulgences but also foregoing perfectly lawful things, the use or enjoyment of which would not be sinful. We all need to do this in order to develop, by exercise, the valuable habit of self control.

1. NOTE WELL: Sunday, March 19, 1989 is PALM SUNDAY. THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT ST. PIUS CHAPEL ON THAT DAY. PALM SUNDAY MASS AND ALL CEREMONIES WILL TAKE PLACE ONLY AT ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL, CULLMAN - - 10:00 A.M.
The People are asked to congregate (weather permitting) outside.
2. EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE OF MASSES - - - *****
 - (1) St. Francis, Cullman, 9:00 A.M. (NO 6:00 A.M. Mass)
 - (2) St. Pius, Birmingham 12:00 M.
 - (3) Our Lady of Lourdes, Montgomery, 3:00 P.M.
3. HOLY THURSDAY - - sadly, because none of the expected assistance is forthcoming - - there will be no solemn ceremonies. HOWEVER, ALL NIGHT ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT at St. Francis. Church doors open at 8:00 P.M. Try to schedule yourself into this act of Loyalty to Christ. A really difficult act of sacrifice - but done out of love for Christ.
4. GOOD FRIDAY - - no solemn ceremonies. THREE HOURS - St. Francis Chapel - 12:00 M. - 3:00 P.M. Every effort should be made to attend this WATCH. Another really difficult act of sacrifice - but done for love of Christ.
5. Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament - - St. Francis Chapel - - EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY EVENING at 7:00 P.M. Everyone should make a special effort to be present for this devotion.
6. How sad - - many there are, within His own Church - - who are yelling: "His blood is upon us!" and many of His shepherds are busy washing their hands! At least we, must watch and pray, and give His Sacred Heart some degree of assurance and consolation!
7. MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY:	6:00 A.M. For Prayer Promises and Benefactors
	9:30 A.M. For the People of the Chapels
	12:30 P.M. Special Int. Judith Judge
MONDAY:	Welfare Gregory Sautner
TUESDAY:	Dec. Joseph Wrobel
WEDNESDAY:	Benedictine Dead Obligation
THURSDAY:	Dec. Sophia Gac
FRIDAY:	Welfare Mary Rath
SATURDAY:	Welfare Clem and Frank Smith