

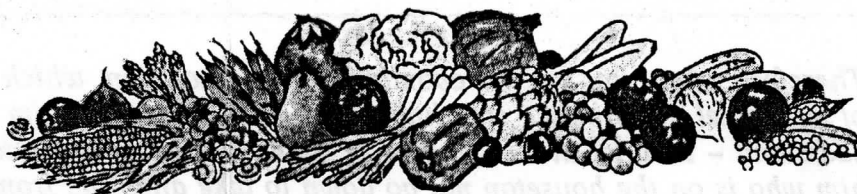


# Happy Thanksgiving



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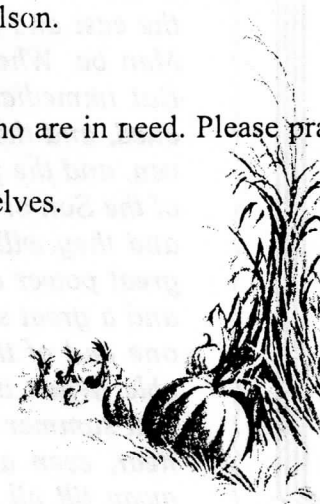
Thanksgiving should not be looked upon as a purely worldly, commercialistic occasion. Many see it as no more than "Turkey Day," or "Football Day." It is a day for right and proper celebration, of joy and fun, but it is primarily a day set aside (originally) to give profound thanks to Almighty God for all His blessings and protection that He has given us over the years. This year especially prayer should be given for the countless thousands of our brothers and sisters who are suffering so grievously. God must be at the center of this day in particular, and our gratitude should be profound and sincere: and our celebration should be profound and sincere! Because of the many leftovers of the Thanksgiving meal, the day after Thanksgiving, a Friday, has by long established Church custom, ***NOT been*** a day of abstinence. **Meat of any form may be eaten on that day.** Be not more Catholic than right reason, correct judgment, and humility called for. No one else, family member or not, must ever be forced to live within a single person's self-opinionated, self-defined "rules and regulations". This applies to all of the elements of good, solid, and proper Catholic living.



God so made the human mind that it remembers joys more easily than pains. Man's very destiny is eternal joy, and joy is the life of his hope. But for Christ's members, even pain has a vast meaning and dignity, because it is the price by which Christ opened heaven, and the price He asks every Christian to pay in imitation of Him. The Final Judgment will reveal what use each soul has made of joy and of pain. During the past year of worship, what increased sorrow for sin, what deepened love for Our Lord, and what greater kindness to others, especially the poor and forsaken, have prepared you for the joyous peace of heaven?

1. There will be Catechism classes after 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
2. There will be an Oblate Meeting after 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
3. Friday November 26 is the Feast of Saint Leonard of Port Maurice (Roman calendar), and is the Name day of our Abbot Leonard, O.S.B. Please keep Father Abbot in your very special prayers.
4. The 2011 AD Calendars are now available and at the usual price (\$8.00).
  - a. At Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel in Montgomery, please see Mrs. Alan Olson.
  - b. At St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham, please see Mrs. George Niebuhr.
  - c. At Christ the King Abbey in Cullman, please see Father Bernard, O.S.B.
5. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. Pray for all people who are in need. Please pray for Abbot Leonard, O.S.B., Alfred Krebsbach and Frank Nash.
6. Next Sunday, November 28, is the First Sunday of Advent – let us prepare ourselves.
7. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)
 

<b>SUNDAY:</b>	For all the Faithful people of our Chapels
<b>MONDAY:</b>	Dec. Isaac Soileau
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	Special Int. Anita Pollard
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	Special Int. Mrs. Donald Halstead
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	Dec. Harry Haase
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	For Abbot Leonard Giardina O.S.B. Name day
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	Dec. Micheline Barrere – Anniversary



### A Thought To Remember...

The beginning and end of the Gospel for this last Sunday, before the new Church year, refers to the destruction of Jerusalem. The middle section envisages the coming of the Son of Man at the end of time. The first predictions were realistically verified in history. The remaining ones cannot be doubted. All men should prepare well for Judgment Day by living each day by the light of the Gospels,