## TRADITIONAL CHAPELS IN ALABAMA

St. Francis of Assisi St. Pius V Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Chapel Roman Catholic Chapel Roman Catholic Chapel Birmingham, Alabama Montgomery, Alabama Cullman, Alabama MASSES SCHEDULE 6:00 A.M. - Mass (EVERY SUNDAY) 9:10 A.M. - Rosary 10:30 A.M. - Rosary 9:30 A.M. - Mass 10:45 A.M. - Mass 12:30 P.M. - Mass (EXCEPT on first (ONLY on First Sunday (EXCEPT on first Sunday of each month) of each month) Sunday of each month)

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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(VI Sunday after Epiphany) (Additional Mass #4)

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During the first four centuries the existence of Purgatory was included in the universal practice of offering prayers and oblations for the dead. The "Apostolic Constitution", a Fourth Century Document, states: "Let us pray for our brothers who have fallen asleep in Christ, that the God of supreme love formen, Who has received the soul of the dead one, may remit all his sins, and, having become propitious and benevolent toward him, may give him a place in the region of the living."

From the time of St. Augustine (354-430 A.D.) Purgatory was mentioned very explicitly in his writings and in those of other great bishops of the time. Finally, the councils of Lyons II (1247 A.D.), Florence (1438-1443 A.D.), and the Council of Trent (1545-1463 A.D.) defined the existence of Purgatory. Luther had a problem with the existence of Purgatory and therefore rejected the entire teaching, going to the extent, even, of removing certain books from Sacred Scripture which spoke of such a place of purgation. Luther and his followers rejected the two Books of Macabees as inspired due to the doctrine of Purgatory. All protestant churches reject the doctrine of Purgatory. The mainstream catholic church no longer teaches the doctrine of Purgatory and considers such a place as unreal and unnecessary - since the Mercy of God will finally absolve everyone!!!

- 1. There will be no regularly scheduled Catechism Class this week. We are very sorry about that, but we cannot do anything about it. God bless you for your understanding and patience.
- Please pray for the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especialy remembering Al Sachs. Gertrude Veigl, is convalescing nicely, after a short period of concern. Please pray for her.
- 3. Please order 1992 Calendars now @\$4.00 per Calendar. Contact:

Laurelyn Niebuhr in Birmingham Mrs. Paul Roy in Montgomery Father Leonard in Cullman

4. Please Pray for the Success of our Church Building Fund Drive. Let us pray - IF IT BE GOD'S WILL - that we can get very serious with the beginning of it - BEFORE 1992 begins.

Thursday - November 21 is the Feast of the Presentation B.V.M.

6. 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. Dec. Florine Brisbois

MONDAY: Dec. Margaret and Vincent

TUESDAY: Special Int. Mary Claire Moore

WEDNESDAY: Dec. Timothy Blewett, Jr. THURSDAY: Special Int. Judity Judge

FRIDAY: For Cathy Pryor SATURDAY: Dec. Lee Brashares