

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
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S C H E D U L E O F M A S S E S

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)
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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - - LAETARE SUNDAY Weekle Bulletin # 230
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Imperfect Contrition is quite sufficient for the reception of the Sacrament of Penance. But when we approach the Sacrament we should remember that the FRIENDSHIP we have injured by our sins is the GREATEST of all friendships. More than that, we should remember that it is against our GREATEST FRIEND and LOVER that we have sinned. More than that still, we should try to see that, even apart from His Friendship towards ourselves, we have treated Him in His OWN Self badly and shamefully by our sin, for He is so deserving of ALL OUR LOVE. In other words, it is well to try to be sorry for our sins because that have offended HIM, even if we start by being sorry because they have injured ourselves. Even though our sorrow may not reach the height of perfect contrition, we must not fail to have complete confidence in the generosity of God's pardon. Provided that we have the minimum sorrow for the validity of the Sacrament, the absolution has its due effect upon our souls; the the Grace of God, with the infused virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity - especially that of Charity which has been lost by mortal sin - are poured into our souls. This restored Virtue of Charity gives us the power of loving God again with a SUPERNATURAL love, and we should strive to awaken the love after confession if we have not been able to do so before it.

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APRIL 12

MASS AT ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL ONLY

6:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M. (with Palm Sunday Ceremonies)

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- (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.

1. STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT - St. Francis Chapel - EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY - - 7:30 P.M.
Those who can, should make an honest and sincere effort to attend this very worthy devotion. Surely it is a sacrifice - - but is that not was the Holy Season of Lent is all about?
2. Next Sunday (PASSION SUNDAY) is the First Sunday of April, 1992. Therefore there will be no 9:30 A.M. Mass at St. Pius Chapel in Birmingham, and no 12:30 P.M. Mass at St. Francis Chapel in Cullman.
3. Next Sunday is the FIRST SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR BLESSED LORD. All Statues and Images will be covered from that day until Easter.
4. ALL NIGHT ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT - - Holy Thursday Night, beginning at 8:00 P.M. until 6:00 A.M. Good Friday Morning.
5. There will be no SOLEMN CEREMONIES OF HOLY WEEK THIS YEAR.
6. THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE THREE HOURS AGONY OF OUR LORD ON GOOD FRIDAY:
12:00 M - 3:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross will begin about 2:35 P.M. St. Francis Chapel.

TO SAY THAT ANY WORK TO BRING UNITY AMONGST ALL TRADITIONALIST PEOPLE IS A MOVE TOWARD AN ECUMENICAL TRADITIONALISM, IS TO LOSE SIGHT OF WHAT THE TRADITIONALIST EFFORT IS ALL ABOUT.

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. Novena - Dec. Walter Roberts
MONDAY: " " " "
TUESDAY: Dec. Gene Rohling
WEDNESDAY: Special Int. Agnes Meyerhofer
THURSDAY: Special Int. of the Donor
FRIDAY: Dec. Emma Boike
SATURDAY: Special Int. Paul Roy Family

8. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering our Brother, Al Sachs.
9. As to the Matter of the Easter Duty, this cannot be taken lightly, nor is anyone free to place private interpretation on its observance. It is a clear law of the Church, and has to be obeyed, under pain of serious sin.
Confessions are heard before Masses on Sunday.
Confessions, due to any difficulty of time, or distance, can be arranged.
10. Do not underestimate the value of the Most Holy Rosary. Say it every day.

The danger among religious people who are not religious enough is to fasten on a doctrine - - (something they have read - or - something that some-said) then they wrench it from its context, and apply it as if it were a poultice. Such - priests and people alike - very often look at the EXTERNALS of our religion to the detriment of deep sincere SPIRITUALITY. Errors of this kind can be caused by a wrong understanding of the function of symbolism: the emblem can come to mean more than the truth which it represents. In truth, symbolism is very important, but it is not meant to take the place of the mystery it represents. Is it any wonder that one can fail to grow spiritually while employing all of the good and proper representations of that spirituality.

And so it can be with the Sacred PASSION of our Lord. If the Passion fails to produce among Christians the sanctity which might be expected, it is not the Passion's fault. It is the fault of the Christian who gets NO FURTHER THAN THE INSTRUMENTS OF THE PASSION, who sees only the SCENES of the Passion, who gives NOTHING in return to the Passion but a superficial devotion to its SYMBOLS. The Passion is a grace to the soul, and if the soul is to benefit there MUST BE A RESPONSE AT THE SAME LEVEL: IT MEANS GIVING. CHRIST is the central figure, giving out and drawing in. The Passion is not Christ's sacrifice only; it is ours as well.

THERE CAN BE NO CRICIFIXION WITHOUT BLOOD!!!!