

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 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
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FREEDOM'S chief value lies in that it be given away! It must be given away. But a man must have love in his heart before he becomes able to understand this statement. If a man has no love in his heart, he will have a strong tendency to hoard his freedom, and usually he locks himself up in his room - away from people: away from everyone and everything that might talk him out of his freedom - he must be INDEPENDENT. Every man who loves surrenders his freedom whether his passion be the love of a woman, the love of his business, the love of a cause or the love of God. When a man loves a woman, he says: "I am totally yours!" and such a surrender of freedom gives him sweet slavery. Every man who gives himself up to his business or to some cause or other, gives up his freedom. Every man in love with God says, as St. Paul did, "WHAT WILL THOU HAVE ME TO DO?" and add, as we do in the Our Father, "Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven." In all these instances, freedom is surrendered for something-for a joy either of this world or the next. Freedom hoarded is of little value.

1. Friday, February 5, 1993 is the First Friday of February. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament beginning at 1:00 P.M. in the Monastery Chapel.
2. Saturday, February 6, 1993 is the First Saturday of February.
3. Next Sunday, February 7, 1993 is the First Sunday of February. 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.

SEPTUAGESIMA

Next Sunday begins, a period of time, which in the Sacred Liturgy of the Church is called SEPTUAGESIMA. Septuagesima is the name of that period of time PRIOR to the actual beginning of the Holy Season of Lent. AS LENT PREPARES FOR EASTER, SO DOES SEPTUAGESIMA PREPARE US FOR LENT. The Church, by its liturgy suggests to both priest and people the beginnings of the PENITENTIAL observance. Thus, the joyful exclamation "ALLELUIA" is omitted from both the Mass and the Divine Office. All flowers are removed from the altar and from before all of the Statues of the Saints. The altar's coverings are of purple, and the priest vests in purple vestments. When the Mass is of the Season of Lent the "GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO" is not said. Septuagesima is a Latin word which means "seventy". The name is applied to that particular Sunday because it is taken to be the seventieth day before Easter Sunday. Sexagesima means "sixty" and Quinquagesima means "fifty". However, the names and the actual number of counted days do not correspond and the names are not accurate descriptions of the time involved. Whatever their origin and application, they are now to be regarded simply as convenient titles.

4. Please pray for all of the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering our Brothers: Al Sachs (St. Francis) Woody Fleming (St. Pius) Forney Roy (Our Lady of Lourdes). YOUR PRAYERS ARE MOST IMPORTANT.
5. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1993 IS THE FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER. It is also Candlemas Day.
6. Wednesday, February 3, 1993 is the Feast of St. Blaise. Blessing of Throats