## TRADITIONAL CHAPELS IN ALABAMA

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

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Sometimes in our desire to become holy, we look to the saints, and we try to use them as our role models. We read about them and we see them praised for their great works; we are told of their great tlents, their organizing ability, their keenness of intellect, their excellence of judgment, their literary skill, and their extensive learning. They are famous for their ingenuity, their originality, their initiative, their miracles, their apostolic success, their power over souls. In a word, they are presented to us as great men and women. And we are tempted to think that the possession or the achievement of such greatness, if it is not holiness itlsef, is at least an essential part of it. THE TRUTH IS QUITE OTHERWISE. In point of fact, while some of the saints had some of these qualities, yet none of these qualities is sanctity. For sanctity, as revealed to us by our Lord's teaching and example, is to live in union with Him by faith, by hope, by love, by humility, and by complete abandonment to His will. It is important to consider the doing of the will of God from the point of view of daily practice. The most Holy Will of God presents itself to us many, many times each day. Why is it that it so often happens that we resist it and fight it?

- 1. Tuesday, September 14, 1993 is the Feast of the Finding of the Holy Cross. Of all the precious objects on this earth, the Holy Cross of our Blessed Lord is above and beyond measure, the most precious of them all.
- 2. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week are the Ember Days of the Fall Season. These are days of special prayer, fasting and abstinence. Meat may be eaten only once on Wednesday and Saturday. Parents should strive to teach their children the obligation and the observance of the abstinence law and practice. Mortification and abstinence are no longer topics of discussion in the mainstream church of Rome, therefore no longer understood or practiced (even ridiculed) by most who today consider themselves Catholics. Such practices are classifed as Medieval, outmoded, and quite unnecesary. The modern catholic mind no longer sees value in penance and mortification. The modern catholic mind no longer sees value in the IMITATION OF CHRIST. The modern catholic mind no longer comprehends (or even desires to comprehend) the purpose for which man was created!
- 3. Confessions are heard before Masses on Sunday.

## EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

VOWS AT THE MONASTERY - - SUNDAY OCTOBER 3, 1993

THEREFORE; There will be no Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes on that day - Mass will be in Cullman.

Therefore, Mass in Montgomery will be the following Sunday - October 10.

Therefore, there will be no 9:30 A.M. Mass at St. Pius V Chapel and no 12:30 P.M. Mass at St. Francis Chapel on Sunday, October 10.

4. Please pray for the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering our Brother Al Sachs.