

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

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)

SUNDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EPIPHANY
Sunday Within Octave of Epiphany - - White
Feast of the Holy Family
January 9, 1994

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In this "new age of confusion", the need for a definite, enduring, philosophy of life and for a firm and obedient spiritual faith has become absolutely imperative. This need is most basic to the maintenance of mental health. Society, with its behavioral pattern, has never been any help in the maintenance of mental health. Now, the only agent that has always been of help in the past, namely religion, is no longer of any significant help. Rather, it has become the prime contributor to the mental disorders of most people, particularly amongst the Catholic population. As always in society, but now even in religious (Catholic) surroundings, success is often confused with material gain. Progress is confused with the accumulation of knowledge, technology, computerization, and gadgets for amusement, comfort and entertainment. Importance is confused with noise. Greatness is confused with power, however acquired. Significance is confused with mere agitation, travel, motion, excitement, and mechanical work piled upon work, to such an extent that society itself has gone completely mad. The entire religious principle of obedience to Truth, and lawful authority, is confused with interference with one's right to think and act for himself. It is no exaggeration to say that, without a return to a pattern of life which is related to eternity, the collapsing process in our civilization will certainly hit bottom before the end of the present generation. AND NOBODY WILL BE ABLE TO COPE WITH THAT PROBLEM!!!

It seems that we are all afraid of the need to pause, from time to time, and meditate prayerfully upon the reason for our existence - where we came from, where we are going, and how our program of life conforms to the accounting which we all must give, come one day, to the Almighty God and Creator. Our present evaluation of a Creator God, in no way affects the objective existence and reality of such a Creator God.

Very few, today, hold fast to God! Therefore, especially for the Catholic population, life has lost its real meaning, and since our Catholic Religious leaders have abdicated their God given responsibilities, we have no one to look to for help!!!

THE VERY SPECIAL GRATITUDE AND PRAYERS OF ALL THE MONKS OF CHRIST THE KING MONASTERY ARE EXTENDED TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CHAPELS IN ALABAMA FOR THEIR MANY KINDNESSES AND EXPRESSIONS OF GENEROSITY EXTENDED TO THE MONKS DURING THE CHRISTMAS TIME JUST PAST. SUCH KINDNESS TOWARD US IS A SOURCE OF VERY GREAT STRENGTH AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR US.

1. EPIPHANY CHALK is available at the chapels today. Please do not hesitate to take what you need. The blessing for houses was included in Bulletin #301.

LORD, GRANT US MONKS! LORD, GRANT US HOLY MONKS! LORD, GRANT US MANY HOLY MONKS! PROTECT THE MONKS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY GOT!