

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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 17, 1995 - - - Green

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CONFIRMATION


1. CONFIRMATION - - TRADITIONAL CHAPELS IN ALABAMA

SUNDAY: - September 17, 1995 - - In the Abbey Church

All who are in need of proper documents please attend
to this EARLY and present all such to the Abbot.

MASS - 10:00 A.M. Confirmation follows. (NO MASS AT ST. PIUS)

SPONSORS: MRS PAUL ROY (for the Ladies)

 MR. GEORGE NIEBUHR, JR. (for the Gentlemen)

Reception afterwards - - downstairs of church.

SOLEMN VOWS

That in all things God may be glorified.

(Benedictine Motto)

The END OF THE WHOLE LIFE OF A MONKS IS "TO SEEK GOD", and on the day of his Profession, the monk promises to pursue with constancy this high and great end. In order to attain it, the monks have left everything; they have all made sacrifices; like St. Peter they can say to our Lord: "Behold we have left all things, and have followed Thee."

The motive power of these sacrifices and acts of renunciation is love. Love, it is, which draws the monk in the footsteps of Christ Jesus. In effect, the monk has said: "Good Master, Thou callest me, and I am here: I believe that Thou art so great, so powerful, so good, that Thou wilt not confound me in any of my hopes and expectations. I believe that Thou wilt make me to find in Thee the fount of all beatitude and of all life!" This is, on the part of every monk, an act of faith in Jesus Christ. The monk leaves all, completely persuaded that in Jesus Christ he will find all! Faith is already of itself, the giving of the monk's being--whole and entire--to the Truth Who is Jesus, the Incarnate Word. To the monk, monastic existence is only to be the extension to his entire life of an initial act of faith and abandonment.

This act receives its official consecration in the offering that the monk makes of himself to God on the day of his religious profession:--When his whole life is maintained in this spirit of holy abandonment whereby he is animated when he pronounces his Vows, the monk's life becomes TRUE, GENUINE AND EXTREMELY PLEASING TO GOD.

LORD, GRANT US MONKS! LORD, GRANT US HOLY MONKS! LORD, GRANT US MANY HOLY MONKS!

LORD, GRANT US NUNS! LORD, GRANT US HOLY NUNS! LORD, GRANT US MANY HOLY NUNS!