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
SCHE	D U L E OF M A S	S E S
10:30 A.M Rosary 10:45 A.M Mass (<u>ONLY</u> on First Sunday of each month)	10:00 A.H. Every Sunday 6:00 A.H. 7:00 P.H. Holy Days	9:10 A.M Rosary 9:30 A.M Mass (<u>EXCEPT</u> on first Sunday of each month)

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The sense of religion toward an Almighty Triune God has all but been smothered in the minds of a vast majority of people of the world. In the minds of the youth of the world, religion is gone. Take note of the use of pagan symbols in the world of Olympic games. Instead of being led up the slopes of Mount Calvary, the youth of the world are being ushered up the broad avenues of Mount Olympus. Chris died on Mount Calvary because of the sin in the world. The pagan gods frolicked on Mount Olympus as they went about rearranging their complicated love connections. Yet, while our young people are happily walking up the dazzling paths up Mount Olympus, their elders sit back and cheer them on, or at least quietly permit their assent.

Traditionalist priests and people, all full of self-righteoueness, tend to criticize the Novus Ordo Church for failing to provide proper religious leadership. Objectively speaking, is the so-called traditionalist church giving the youth of the world, or even the people of the world, a leadership that would provide religious nourishment for them? Read your traditionalist literature. How much traditionalist space is devoted to the teaching of the love of God? or of humility? or of obedience? or of penance? or of compunction? or of control of the will? Yet, how much traditionalist space is devoted to the advancement of erudite disputation concerning bits of catholic trivial or hair-splitting dogmatic opinions all of which have lost all recatholic trivia, or hair-splitting dogmatic opinions, all of which have lost all relevance to the revelrous folks traveling up Mount Olympus? How much computer-powered scholarchip is devoted to the solution of antiquarian philosophic, dogmatic or legal questions, to the complete detriment of the young mind that has lost all contact with the divine? How much effort is spent on the development of traditionalist exclusivism while the world population is preaching global unity and fraternal living?

While the traditionalists are quarreling with each other concerning the proper number of lessons to be read at the Easter Vigil service, the youth of the world are reading the lessons in the book of hard rock. While the traditionalist experts on liturgy and ceremony are carefully studying the correct bees-wax content of our altar candles, our youngsters are burning caldrons of sacred oil to Jupiter. While the students of traditional ceremonials are blowing the dust off of out-dated books of catholic ritual and make determinations concerning the correct cut and color and quality of sacerdotal vestment, the people of the world are dressing in clothes that would embarrass a sailor.

While our traditionalist priests and people are angrily shouting there is no pope, our beloved youth are blissfully singing there is no God!

- 1. Tuesday, August 6, 1996 is the beautiful feast of the Transfiguration of our Blessed Lord.
- 2. Early Announcement: Thursday, August 15, 1996 is the Feast of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother into Heaven. It is a holy day of obligation. MASSES IN THE ABBEY CHURCH ARE: 6:00 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Obviously, not all can attend Mass on such a Day of Obligation. Those sho simply cannot attend Mass should spend, at least ONE HOUR in prayer and meditation sometime during the time of the Feast. Pray for the welfare of the Church in our modern and

- indifferent world.
 Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels especially remembering Al Sachs and Woody Flemming. Continue to remember our friend Rama Coomaraswamy.
- 4. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Abbot Leonard's Schedule only) SUNDAY: For the People of the Chapels Laverty Family & Joseph Redmond Special Int. Helen Peck MONDAY: TUESDAY: Dec. Sabina Mages WEDNESDAY: THURSDAY:

Special Int. Virginia Balnis Special Int. Margaret Ulman FRIDAY: SATURDAY: Dec. Parents of Gary Petzinger

Not only have Americans, but the people of the world also have taken more and more to exercise, athletic sports and sport entertainment. The evidence of this is plain to see. It is at the same time plain to see that the purpose of sport activities has become an end in itself. This was recently highlighted as a reality by Signor Juan Samaranch, the President of the International Olympic Committee. Signor Samaranch has been interviewed on National Public Radio and has been quoted in some of the national weekly magazines. He has said: "We are more important than the Catholic Religion." One's imagination may well wander to days past and see this Spanish conquistador when only a young lad serving at the high altar of one of the glorious Spanish Cathedrals. One's imagination might continue to wander. One might wonder at the number and the importance of the Spanish conquistador's Catholic Church leaders - priest, bishops, cardinals - who are in total agreement with him. With such an unconcealed state of affairs, taken with everything else that is known concerning the Roman Catholic Church, how can any reasonable person argue that the Roman Catholic Church is still flourishing as a religious body capable of leading souls to their salvation? How can anyone say that the Roman Catholic Church is more believable today than it was in former times?