

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.
10:00 A.M.
Every Sunday
6:00 A.M.
7:00 P.M.
Holy Days

9:10 A.M. - Rosary
9:30 A.M. - Mass
(EXCEPT on first
Sunday of each month)

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Mass: Of 4th. Sunday; Gl. Or: Sun, Martyrs, B.V.M. and A Domo; Crédo;
Preface of Trinity.

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY

Good practices of penance will be useful in the use of what is called "SPARE" time. In the spiritual life much depends on the use of one's time. More often than not one will find that the people who are disgruntled with religion, who belittle the need of it on the one hand and exaggerate religious demands on the other; who complain about the time it takes to travel to and from distant Sunday Mass Centers; who fidget and count the minutes if the priest takes too long for his Mass; - - these are the ones who could well spend more time at works of prayer and charity. But if one takes notice, these are the ones who sit around waiting for the time of the next meal, or the next issue of the newspaper. And do not these people spend much time in the discussion of scandal?? on the telephone? Have we ever considered the measure of time used in watching ball games, or sports events or wrestling matches?? Has anyone given consideration to the willingness usually given to lengthy travel for purposes of sports and fun time events? People complain about the uncomfortable church pews - but say nothing about the cramped and almost intolerable seating of the football stadium!

And all to itself: what about the time spent in the watching of the SOAP OPERAS? and the involvement of people in their ongoing developments?

These are but some of the things we must give consideration to when we take up the study of the spiritual life and - Home Monasteries. Usually the items just mentioned are looked upon as "sinless" and quite legitimate preoccupations. In all probability there are to be found those amongst traditionalist people who look favorably on such use of time. But we are here considering good practices of penance, and people ask - "Where do we begin?" Going to Mass on Sunday - alone - is surely not sufficient religious living. The life of faith - good solid faith - must continue from Sunday to Sunday - indeed - from year to year - to the end of our stay on this earth. The placing of the gift on the altar of Tradition (On Sunday) does not necessarily make the gift complete and always acceptable to God. That which is in our hearts is what God looks too - not the outward manifestation of it: it all depends on our point of view!!!

1. Henceforth: On all First Fridays and First Saturdays there will be Mass in the Abbey Church of Christ the King at:

6:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M.

Confessions before the 8:00 A.M. Mass.