

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

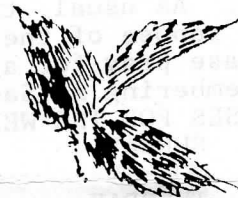
9:10 A.M. - Rosary
9:30 A.M. - Mass
(EXCEPT on first
Sunday of each month)

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
THE FINDING OF THE HOLY CROSS
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Mass: Of Feast; Comm. Sun. Gl; Cr. Pref of Easter

Hail to thee, O Mary,



In viewing Mary as our model, our eyes should not rest on her privileges, but on the fact that she encountered the same vicissitudes of life as we do. It is in her face-to-face encounters with these vicissitudes that she is really apt to be our model. Her nature was, undoubtedly, established in perfect peace; consequently, there were no conflicts that had their origin within herself. But most assuredly was she confronted with that inevitable share of the human conflict that results from contact with a world gone astray from God and right reason. Mary met with this conflict and her bearing in the face of it was most admirable. Her reactions to it were perfect.



Alleluia! He Is Risen! Alleluia!



SANCTITY and LIFE are one: holiness is the special value of the life that comes to man's soul direct from God. Holiness of life lives in its fullness, in union with the Living God. Life brings to perfection all the deepest resources of man's nature, before elevating him to the perfection of supernatural and mystical union. Prudence is the Mother of all Virtue, and it is that Prudence must be employed before any good and solid growth can become evident in all of the other Virtues that lead to supernatural perfection. But such perfection cannot - - indeed - - it will not be achieved if one insists on traveling the LIBERAL path of life - the path that so many have chosen to follow as they prepare themselves for the wonders of the New Millenium. Liberalism will in every case, smother Prudence, and all of the other virtues as well. Liberalism does not lead one along the road which leads to Perfection. Neither, it must be noted, will Perfection ever be reached if one wears the impenetrable armor of LITERALISM. The rigidity of literalism demands a literal exactitude of expression and action. If liberalism smothers on the one hand, literalism, on the other hand, chokes anyone who feels inclined to travel the road to Perfection. The pharisees were literalists. Most of the Protestant "reformers" were literalists. Both liberalism and literalism must be avoided if one has the intention of leading the Traditional Catholic Life which leads to Perfection. While liberalism tramples all over the Commandments of God, literalism obstructs and stifles the activity of WISDOM - a Gift of the Holy Spirit - which is an operation of the mind. We must ever be careful to seek out the way of life that is properly called: CATHOLIC!