

**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. and 10:00 A.M.  
Every Sunday

6:00 A.M. - 8:00 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)

SUNDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS  
Feast of St. John Evan. - - White  
December 27, 1998  
Mass: Of Feast, Com Sunday & Christmas  
Gl. Cr. Pref Nativity

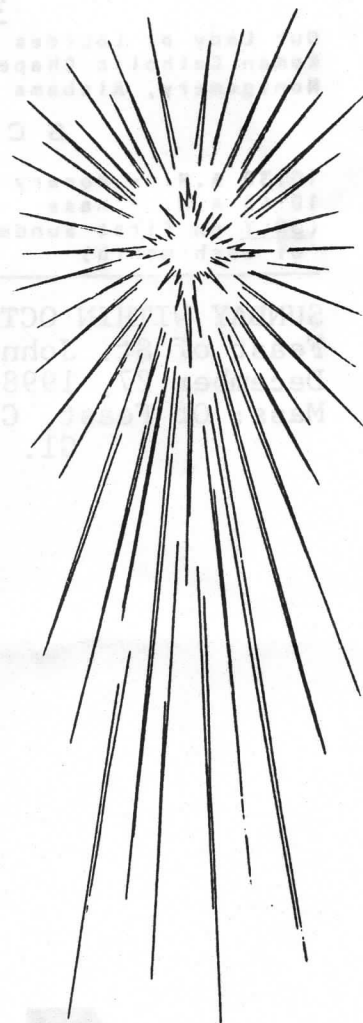
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# Merry Christmas



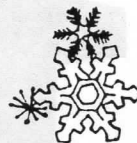
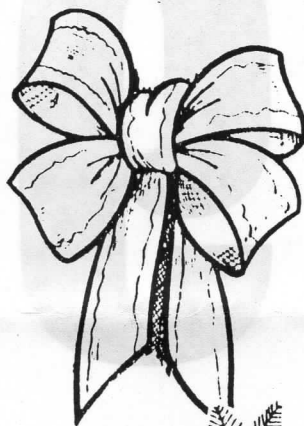
# Happy New Year



1. NEW YEARS' DAY SCHEDULE OF MASSES - - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION  
6:00 A.M. - - - and - - - 10:00 A.M.  
ABBEEY CHURCH ONLY
2. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels especially remembering Al Sachs and Darlene Smart.
3. Next Sunday, January 3, 1999 is the First Sunday of January, therefore there is no mass at St. Pius Chapel.
4. Friday and Saturday of this week are: First Friday, and First Saturday - Mass in the Abbey Church at 8:00 A.M. each day.
5. Remember January 6, 1999 - it is the Magnificent Feast of the EPIPHANY OF OUR BLESSED LORD. Truly a special Day for very special prayer.

The Members of our Religious Communities of Christ the King Abbey and St. Joseph Convent would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a Holy and Blessed and Peaceful and Happy New Year. We pray that God will be with you at all times during this year which is expected to be filled with every kind of eventuality. It is expected to be a calamitous period of time. Only those who are prepared, ONLY THOSE WHO ARE PREPARED SPIRITUALLY will be able to escape the ravishes that even expert people predict to be possible. Next year is not expected to be hardly more than an afternoon thunderstorm, passing away in a few hours, to be followed by brilliant and beautiful sunshine. The possibilities of pain, hunger, cold, heat, depression, and all the rest are being discussed EVEN BY THOSE who are far from being prophets of doom. Should any of us fail to prepare in all of the very necessary things, we will have no one to blame but ourselves for not listening to counsel. Should it all blow over without incident, then we will everyone enjoy one big laugh together. Our above best preparations will be prayer, mortification, penance, reparation, sacrifice, and closeness to God - for He alone can keep us out of harm's way!!! You will all - ALWAYS - be in our special prayers and good wishes.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Abbot's Schedule only)  
SUNDAY: For the People of the Chapels  
MONDAY: Special Int. Rita Huelskamp  
TUESDAY: Welfare John Dumbacher  
WEDNESDAY: Dec. Isaac Soileau  
THURSDAY: Special In t. Eleanor Wendorf  
\*\*FRIDAY: \*\*\* For Welfare & Protection of  
us all (10:00 A.M.)  
SATURDAY: Special Int. Paul Roy Family



All nations shall serve him.



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CEREMONY FOR THE BLESSING OF HOUSES AND ALL PLACES  
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF JESUS CHRIST.

BLESSING OF CHALK:

(Instruction: Chalk is blessed on the Altar, before Holy Mass begins. It will not be distributed by the priest, but can only be obtained by a member of the Family who must go up to the Altar, after Mass, and taking it. The Father of the Family will later use it to inscribe the initials of the Three Wise Men: Gaspar, Melchior and Balthazar, and the current year over the main door (and any other doors) of the home. This inscription should remain over the doors throughout the year.)

PASTOR: - Opening Antiphon: Behold, the Lord the ruler is come; and the kingdom is in His Hand, and power, and dominion.  
O God, with your judgement endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son.  
Glory be to the Father. Behold, the Lord.

Antiphonal Prayer:

Y. All nations shall serve Him.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.  
Y. Nations shall walk by Your light, and kings by Your shining radiance.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.  
Y. All from Saba shall come, bringing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.  
Y. Rise up in splendor, O Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord shines upon you.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.  
Y. We have seen His star in the East; and have come with gifts to worship the Lord.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.  
Y. The kings of Tharsis and the isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay Him homage, all nations shall serve Him.  
R. All nations shall serve Him.

PASTOR: - In Thy great mercy, have mercy on us, O God.  
Let us pray: O Lord God, Bless + this chalk which You have created, that it may be helpful to mankind; and grant that through the invocation of Your most Holy Name, all those who use this chalk or with it write over the doors of their houses the names of Your Saints Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, may by their merits and intercession receive health of body and protection of soul.

We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ Your Son. AMEN.

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\* \* \* \* BLESSING OF THE HOME \* \* \* \*

(Conducted by the Father, or, in his absence, by the Mother).

Father: Peace to my house.

Family: And to all who live here.

Father: The father of the just will exult with glee; let your father and mother have joy.

Family: All nations shall serve Him.

Father: Happy they who dwell in Your House, O Lord! Continually they praise You.

Family: All nations shall serve Him.

Father: Blessed is the man who hears me and who watches daily at my gates and at the post of my doors.

Family: All nations shall serve Him.

Father: O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Family: And let my cry come unto You.

Father: Let us Pray:

Hear us, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Eternal God, and send Thy Holy Angel from Heaven to watch over, cherish, protect, be with, and defend all who live in my house.

I call upon Your Saints, Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, to protect my Family and my home from every harm and danger, and I place their mark over my door to remain there as a constant reminder to us and to all who enter here that my house is truly a house of the Lord.

O God, make the door of my house wide enough to receive all who need human love and companionship; narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling-block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the temptor's power.

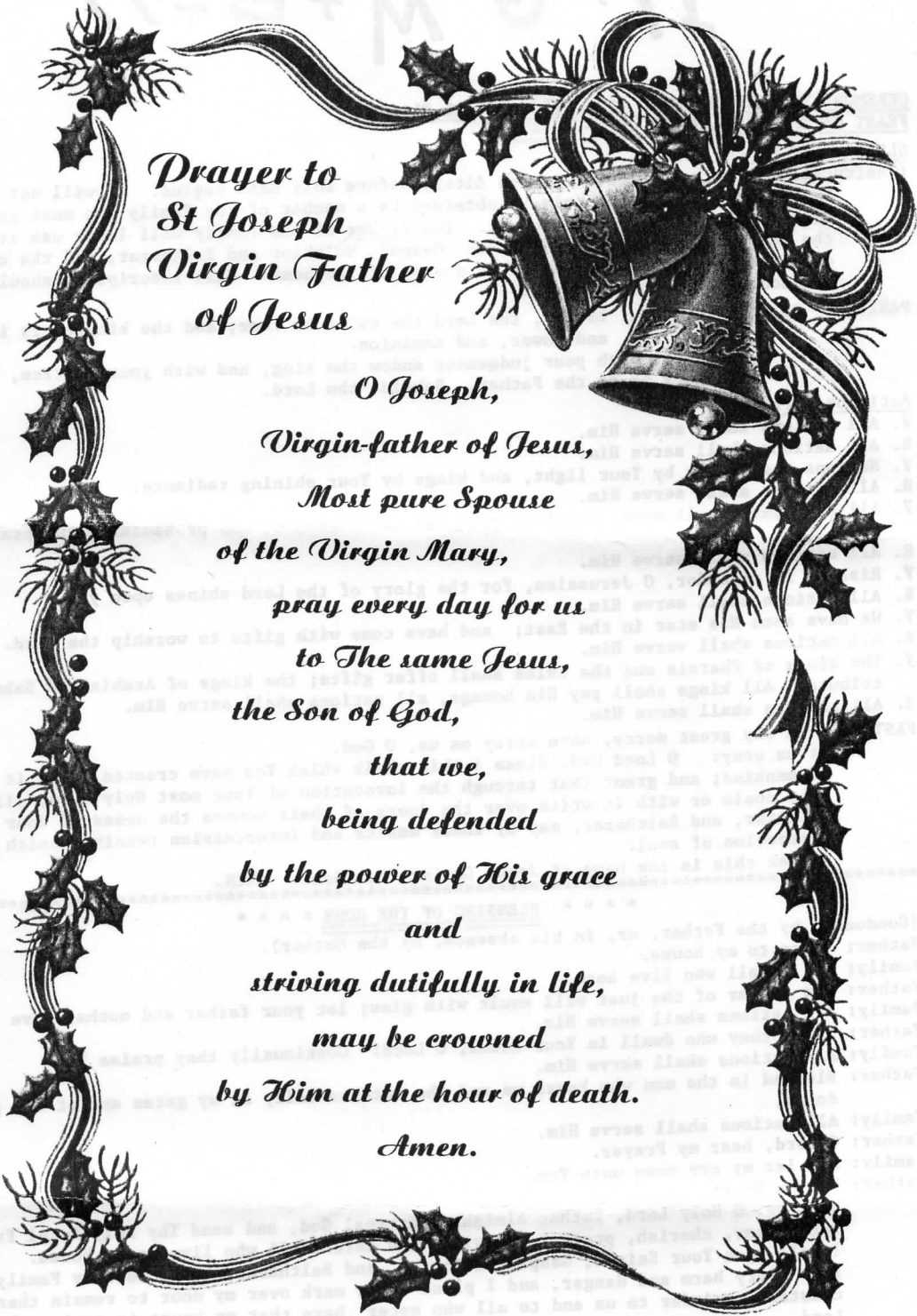
O God, make the door of my house the gateway to Thine Eternal Kingdom.

I ask these things in the Name of Jesus Christ Your Son.

Family: Amen.

(After the blessing, the Father inscribes on the main outside doors and any other doors in the house. Print with the blessed Chalk:

All nations shall serve him.



*Prayer to  
St Joseph  
Virgin Father  
of Jesus*

*O Joseph,  
Virgin-father of Jesus,  
Most pure Spouse  
of the Virgin Mary,  
pray every day for us  
to The same Jesus,  
the Son of God,  
that we,  
being defended  
by the power of His grace  
and  
striving dutifully in life,  
may be crowned  
by Him at the hour of death.  
Amen.*

**God save the Human Race**