

1. Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament every Friday during Lent - at 7:00 P.M.
Please make very effort to attend this most worthwhile service. Yes, it is a penance, but a very wonderful gift to our Suffering Redeemer. Those who live far away and find it impossible to attend, should spend, if convenient and at all possible, at least one hour in prayer and holy reading. Stations of the Cross could be said privately - in your Monastic Chapel.
2. Please pray for the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Al Sachs.
3. **EARLY INFORMATION CONCERNING EASTER:**
PALM SUNDAY: - Mass ONLY in the Abbey Church - No Mass at St. Pius.
 6:00 A.M. Mass as usual. The Sacred Passion of our Blessed Lord is read at this mass.
 10:00 A.M. Blessing and procession (weather permitting)
 Followed by Mass.
EASTER SUNDAY: - St. Francis Chapel (Abbey Church)
 6:00 A.M.
 10:00 A.M.
 St. Pius Chapel
 9:00 A.M.
 Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel
 11:30 A.M.
 (Father may be a few minutes late in arriving in Montgomery)
4. During Lent all should pray for good and holy and persevering vocations to the Monastery and the Convent. The Contemplative Life is so important, and if God is ever to be persuaded to come to the aid of His elect, it will be because of the prayer that comes out of Contemplative Monasteries and Convents.
Please pray that those who think they have a vocation be given the grace to understand living their vocation. Today, since only picture book monastic life if the only exposure young people have to the life lived in the cloister, when they finally take the step to enter, the real life of the cloister frightens them and they leave. Life in the cloister is certainly not ugly and frightening, but life in the cloister cannot get its reality from a picture book.
5. **NOVENA IN HONOR OF ST. BENEDICT** begins on the Feast of St. Gregory the Great - March 12.
Because, this year, Passion Sunday falls on March 21, the Feast of St. Benedict will be celebrated on Monday, March 22.
The Lenten Fast will be observed, as usual, in spite of the Feast.
6. March 19, 1999 is the Feast of St. Joseph. The Lenten Fast will be observed, as usual, in spite of the Feast.
7. March 25, 1999 is the Feast of the Annunciation of our Most Blessed Mother. The Lenten Fast will be observed, as usual, in spite of the Feast.
8. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Abbot Leonard's Schedule Only)
SUNDAY: For the People of the Chapels.
MONDAY: For the Poor Souls
TUESDAY: Dec. Sally Michaels
WEDNESDAY: For the Consecration of Russia
THURSDAY: Dec. Mr. Holman
FRIDAY: Welfare Jim Lopez
SATURDAY: Special Int. Helen Lavretta

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