

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)

TRINITY SUNDAY

May 30, 1999 - - - White

JUBILEE MASS of Father Abbot Leonard, O.S.B.

Mass of Feast - Gl. Cr. Pref. Trin. Com. Jubilee

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Fifty years a Priest

St Bernard tells us that everything has come to us through Mary, and we may also say that everything has come to us through the priest; yes, all happiness, all graces, all heavenly gifts. If we had not the Sacrament of Orders, we should not have Our Lord. Who placed Him there, in the tabernacle? It was the priest. Who was it that received your soul on its entrance into life? The priest. Who nourishes it to give it strength to make its pilgrimage? The priest. Who will prepare it to appear before God, by washing that soul for the last time, in the Blood of Jesus Christ? The priest-always the priest. And if that soul comes to the point of death, who will raise it up, who will restore it to calmness and peace? Again the priest. You cannot recall one single blessing from God without finding, side by side with this recollection, the image of the priest.

Go to confession to the Blessed Virgin, or to an angel; will they absolve you? No. will they give you the Body and Blood of Our Lord? No. The Holy Virgin cannot make her Divine Son descend into the host. You might have two hundred angels there, but they could not absolve you. A priest, however simple he may be can do it; he can say to you, 'Go in peace; I pardon you.' Oh how great is the priest! The priest will not understand the greatness of his office until he is in heaven. If he understood it on earth he would die, not of fear, but of love...O God! O God! How Thou hast loved us! See the power of the priest; out of a piece of bread, the word of a priest makes a God. It is more than creating the world..."

The Cure of Ars

*You will not find Me in your textbooks, neither in your courts.
 You will not find Me in your achievements.
 You will not find Me in your arrangements.
 I Am the Spirit of Grace in the Light of Peace, and My Breath will
 radiate in the dawn
 to illuminate
 My Presence with Heaven's reflections
 to Men upon the Earth whose Will is Good.
 It is I! Be not Afraid!*



*Leonard Francis Giardina, O.S.B.
 Son of John and Grace
 Born, November 8, 1922
 In Ensley, Alabama - U.S.A.
 In the Parish of St. Anthony of Padua
 Pastor at Ordination, Francis Mc Cormack, Msgr.
 Received as a Monk, June 4, 1944
 By Boniface Leng, O.S.B., Abbot
 Ordained Priest, May 26, 1949
 By Thomas Joseph Toolen, Bishop
 Golden Jubilarian as a Monk, June 4, 1994
 Blessed Abbot, July 13, 1994
 By Robert Fidelis McKenna O.P. Bishop
 Golden Jubilarian as a Priest, May 26, 1999
 By the Grace and Goodness of God.*



*"The hour so ardently awaited has
 come at last. Behold the day sweeter
 to me than all the feasts of the Earth."*

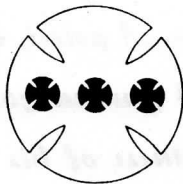
In Remembrance of my

*Ordination
 May 26, 1949*

*and of my
 First Solemn Mass
 June 12, 1949*

*Leonard F. Giardina
 of the Order of St. Benedict*

*I recommend to Thee, O my God, my
 parents, brothers, relatives and friends
 and all, living and dead, who have done
 good to me for Thy sake.
 Pray for me.*



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*"I have placed my spirit upon him; he will
 not shout nor cry out; the bruised reed he
 will not break and the smoking flax he will
 not quench."*

Isaias

In Remembrance of my

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 May 26, 1949*

*and of my
 Golden Jubilee*

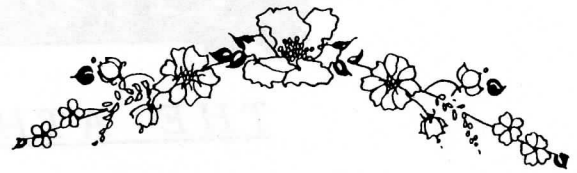
*as a priest of God
 of the Roman Catholic Church
 May 26, 1999*

*Leonard F. Giardina
 Abbot*

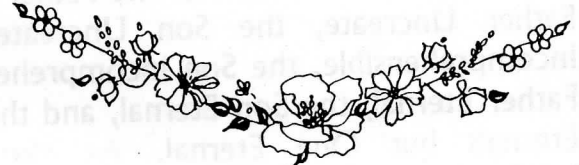
*of the Order of St. Benedict
 Pray for me*

"Always the same"

That in all things may God be Glorified



*"Uphold me, O Lord,
according to Thy word
and I shall live,
and do not confound me
in my expectations!" (Ps. 118)*



The Blessed Trinity



1. The Mass this morning is that for the FEAST OF THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY, WITH a special oration for the Jubiliaian Priest. Please pray, not only for Father Abbot, but equally as much for the Monks and Nuns of our Benedictine Communities. Pray that we will always be stable men and women of prayer, mortification and reparation and penance, and such that Good Intentioned people in Christ's Vineyard can draw nourishment from our efforts, That In All Things God Be Glorified. The Ministers for the Pontifical Low Mass this Morning are:
 - Celebrant - - - - - Father Abbot Leonard, O.S.B.
 - First Acolyte - - - - Father Prior Sebastian, O.S.B.
 - Second Acolyte - - - Father Francis, O.S.B.
 - Master of Ceremonies- Father Michael, O.S.B.
2. THE ATHANASIAN CREED will be recited by all at the 10:00 A.M. Mass today.
3. Next Sunday we will celebrate the Solemn Observance of Corpus Christi. The occasion must be looked upon as one of extraordinary significance. It is a moment when we of our Monasteries and the people making up so much of our Monastic Family, shall make reparation to our Eucharistic Lord. It is to be a moment during which we wish to make amends for the insults which God's priests and God's people have subjected, either by indifference or by conscious neglect, or by terrible acts of sacrilege this Holy Sacrament of Divine Love! It is imperative that everyone be present, even under grave inconvenience - if necessary! Bring others with you wherever possible. The Ministers for the BENEDICTIONS following the Pontifical Low Mass are:
 - (1) Acolytes for Mass and Benedictions - and Torch Bearers for Procession Colin Niebuhr and Isaac Olson
 - (2) Censor Bearer for Procession Frater Bernard, O.S.B.
 - (3) Boat Bearer Stefan Roberts
 - (4) Cross Bearer Mr. Ronald Roberts
 - (5) Carriers of the Baldachin
 - (1) Mr. Joseph Bonometti (3) Mr. Mark Hand
 - (2) Mr. Thomas Girardi (4) Mr. Bernard Morin
 - (6) Masters of Ceremonies for the Procession
 - (1) Father Michael, O.S.B. (2) Father Francis, O.S.B.
 - (3) Father Abbot Leonard, O.S.B.
 - (7) Music Reverend Frater Paul, O.S.B.
 - (8) Celebrant for Benedictions Father Prior Sebastian, O.S.B.
4. There will be NO 9:30 A.M. Mass AT ST. PIUS V CHAPEL IN BIRMINGHAM on Sunday June 6 and on Sunday June 13. There will be no Mass at OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHAPEL IN MONTGOMERY on Sunday, June 6, but there WILL BE MASS THERE ON SUNDAY June 13,
5. Please remember the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering AL Sachs.
6. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's Schedule Only)
 - SUNDAY: Jubilee Mass (Mass of Thksg. Abbot Leonard)
 - MONDAY: For the People of the Chapels
 - TUESDAY: Welfare Judy Krebsbach
 - WEDNESDAY: Dec. Members of Mages Family
 - ***THURSDAY:*** Welfare of Our Monasteries
 - FRIDAY: Special Int. Lois Nichols
 - SATURDAY: Special Int. Paul Roy Family
7. THERE WILL BE A RECEPTION FOR US ALL here present - following Mass this morning. The Tower Bell will sound when all is in readiness. Allow a few minutes for preparation time. EVERYONE, please sign the Guest Book in the vestibule of the Church. GOD BLESS YOU ONE AND ALL.





THE ATHANASIAN CREED

Whosoever will be saved, before all things, it is necessary that he hold the Catholic Faith. Which Faith, except everyone do keep whole and undefiled, without doubt he shall perish everlastingly. And the Catholic Faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity. Neither confounding the PERSONS, nor dividing the Substance. For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son, and another of the Holy Ghost. But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all One: the Glory equal, and the majesty Co-Eternal. Such as the Father is, such is the Son and such is the Holy Ghost. The Father Uncreate, the Son Uncreate, and the Holy Ghost Uncreate. The Father Incomprehensible, the Son Incomprehensible, and the Holy Ghost Incomprehensible. The Father Eternal, the Son Eternal, and the Holy Ghost Eternal. And yet they are not Three Eternals but One Eternal. As also there are not Three Uncreated, nor Three Incomprehensibles, but One Uncreated and One Incomprehensible. So likewise, the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty, and the Holy Ghost Almighty. And yet they are not Three Almighties but one Almighty. So the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Ghost is God. And yet they are not Three Gods, but One God. So likewise, the Father is Lord, the Son Lord, and the Holy Ghost Lord. And yet not Three Lords but one Lord. For, like as we are compelled by the Christian truth, to acknowledge every Person by Himself to be God and Lord, so are we forbidden by the Catholic Religion, to say there be Three Gods or Three Lords. The Father is made of none, neither created, nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone: not made, nor created, but begotten. The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding. So there is One Father, not Three Fathers; One Son, not Three Sons; One Holy Ghost, not Three Holy Ghosts. And in this Trinity none is before or after Other, none is greater or less than Another, but the whole Three Persons are co-eternal, Together, and Co-equal. So that in all things, as is aforesaid, the Unity in Trinity and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped. He, therefore, that will be saved, must thus think of the Trinity. Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting Salvation, that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the right Faith is that we believe and confess, that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man. God of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds, and man, of the substance of His Mother, born into the world. Perfect God and Perfect Man, of a reasonable Soul and human Flesh subsisting. Equal to the Father as touching His Godhead, and inferior to the Father as touching His Manhood. Who, although He be God and Man, yet He is not two, but One Christ. One, not by conversion of the Godhead into Flesh, but by taking of the Manhood into God. One altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by Unity of Person. For as the reasonable Soul and Flesh is one Man, so God and Man is one Christ, Who suffered for our salvation, descended into Hell, rose again the third day from the dead. He ascended into Heaven, He sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies and shall give account for their own works. And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting, and they that have done evil into everlasting fire. This is the Catholic Faith, which except a man believe faithfully and firmly, he cannot be saved.