

that they act in Christ's name and for the extension of His kingdom. If that is true, then why do we witness to many splintered groups - all acting in Christ's name and for the extension of His kingdom? In truth arguing makes for poor religion, and shows a seeking after personal satisfactions and personal glory and acclaim. When splintering is witnessed, the conclusion should be that such groups are in the act of protecting their preferences. They are, therefore, the beneficiaries rather than Christ. The sentence of Christ is both inexorable and deserved.

When the time comes for the Son of God to examine our works and mete out the rewards and punishments, it will not be any use saying to Him: "Lord, my life has been spent in Thy house, near to Thee, and I have done everything for Thee." But what advantage is all this if, in practice we have not obeyed His Laws; if we have failed to reconstruct the thoughts of our hearts? We will hear the reply: "Depart from me, workers of iniquity."

Perhaps we will continue to argue: "Lord, I have spoken to others of Thee. I have instructed others in Thy Law. I have induced others to do good and abandon evil. I have obtained successes almost miraculous - many souls can be my witnesses that I have saved them from the devil." But all this is of no good if we have acted from natural motives; if we have sought our own self-love; if we have worked for the glory and triumph of the world; from vanity and pride. What good is it to us to have brought others to the kingdom of heaven, if we have neglected ourselves? Christ's primary concern is that He has not been the dominating principle of our lives. If He has not been so, all the rest means nothing. Even should we have spent ourselves in works of charity, and have procured for ourselves a great reputation for holiness in the eyes of men - if the pure honor and glory of God was not our ONLY and PURE motive, we will hear the reply: "I have not known you; depart from Me, workers of iniquity." The fact that we have spoken about the things of God to other people and have not been due to our ignorance of the Word of God, but only to our bad faith! We are twice guilty.

If any Man is bound to a life of strict fidelity to Christ, it should surely be he who has pledged himself to labor for the protection of the things Christ taught and died for. If from any Man the Master demands a sincere return of pure love, it has to be from him who is known to labor with good will to keep the light of Christ's TRUE FAITH burning in the Heart of Man.

If any Man is bound to a life of strict fidelity to Christ, it should surely be that man who has pledged himself to labor valiantly and consistently to keep the light of TRUTH burning in the Heart of Man. ALL PERSONAL PREFERENCES AND DEVOTIONS TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING!

1. DO NOT FORGET THAT NOVEMBER is the Month of the Poor Souls. Special prayers for the Souls in Purgatory should be said every day of the year - especially during the Month of November.
2. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Al Sachs and John Dumbacher.
3. The 2000 A.D. Calendars are available. The cost will be the same: \$6.00. It is good for every Catholic Family to have a Catholic Calendar in the Home - - THE MONASTIC HOME - - with the Monastic Home Altar in it.
As usual contact: Mrs. Paul Roy in Montgomery
Mrs. George Niebuhr in Birmingham
Father Abbot in Cullman
4. With great speed we are approaching the end of the Millennium, and that period of time which is filled with doubt, concern and wonder. Our prayer should be of the best during these days, and our prayer should be supported by strong and firm Faith. The present Liturgical Year comes to an end next Sunday. The present Liturgical Year, of course, will be the last Liturgical Year in the present Millennium. There is something very special about these days that we are having at the present moment.
5. Please pray for our Vocations. Pray that God will bless our Monks and Nuns with most special blessings and with unwavering perseverance. Pray that He will always shield our Monasteries from every harm and danger.
6. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's Schedule Only)

SUNDAY:	For the People of the Chapels
MONDAY:	Special Int. Victoria Krawczak
TUESDAY:	Special Int. Mary Shore
WEDNESDAY:	Dec. Cora Segura Cousin
THURSDAY:	Welfare Vern and Vera Beineke
FRIDAY:	Special Int. Phyllis Des Lauriers
SATURDAY:	Welfare Jude Awe

NOW IS THE TIME TO GET YOUR

MONASTIC HOME ALTARS

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(Note: perhaps some new altar vestments would be worthy of consideration and interest. There is always something to be done around the Altar, and your Monastic Home Altar is the closest thing you have to the Real Altar of God which is in the Church. Make it your Church in your Home!)



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