

# Christ the King Abbey

(Traditional Benedictines)

(St Francis of Assisi Chapel)

Cullman Alabama

Every Sunday

6:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

6:00 A.M. Daily

Holy Days

6:00 A.M.; 8:00 A.M.; 7:00 P.M.

Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel

Montgomery Alabama

10:45 A.M.

Only on First Sunday

of each month

St. Pius V Chapel

9:30 A.M.

Every Sunday except

First Sunday of each month

The Third Sunday after Easter

May 6, 2001 - - - White

Mass of Sunday - Gl; Cr; Comm. St. John; Pref Easter

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## Mary

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the perfect model for the Catholic Christian!

How seriously she stands up against our immodesty, our immorality,  
our sensuality, our greed, our luxurious way of life!

What a rebuke she is to our false notions of Catholic Christianity.

Yet, her silent admonition against every false standard of  
Catholic behavior is filled with eloquence.

She had the best endowed mind that ever lived on this earth;

She was enlightened as no prophet ever had been enlightened before her;

She had a power of intercession of which no one can determine the limit;

She had a zeal for her Son's Glory and for her Son's Work, that burned  
more fiercely than the zeal of all the Great Souls that have

ever pillared the Holy Church of her Son;

She suffered a martyrdom that defies description;

yet - - what was her life?

IT WAS ORDINARY - - IT WAS OBSCURE - - IT WAS INCONSPICUOUS - - IT WAS  
UNPERCEIVED - - IT WAS FULL OF THE ORDINARY LABORS OF EACH NEW DAY - -  
IT WAS SIMPLE - - IT WAS HOLY!

Except for one time - at the wedding feast - she never again appeared  
NOTICEABLY

in her Son's public life. Unnoticed and undiscovered, she was  
lost in the crowd. And thus she remained.

The most enlightened and zealous member of the Holy Church of her  
Son - since the day of Pentecost she has been invisible to  
our eyes. Stronger than the strongest of the Apostles, the  
Gospels have made no record of her strength, and the  
silence of the Gospels speaks loudly.

She gives but one message to all men in the words of her MAGNIFICAT,  
yet her lifelong sermon is preached in obscurity and silence.

The unbelievably magnificent meeting she certainly had with her RISEN  
SON remains to all men and for all time - silent, unknown,  
religious, wonderful and mysterious.

Even though a QUEEN - a Queen above every queen ever known - more  
importantly she remains a Mother - our Mother - a Mother more  
beautiful than any mother has ever been known to be.

There would be much more holiness, as there would also be much more  
happiness and peace in our world, if Mary's Christian and Catholic  
sons, and especially Mary's Christian and Catholic daughters were to  
comprehend and try to live by her simple, yet profound, example

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and then have the strength to follow it!