1. Please remember to pray for the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Miriam Roy and Manny Gomez.

2. In your Charity please pray for the Soul of Fern Diehl who died July 6, 2001. Mrs. Diehl

was the mother of our Glen Diehl.

3. Wednesday, July 25 2001 is the Feast of St. James the Greater - Apostle.
Thursday, July 26, 2001 is the FEast of St. Joachim and St. Anne - Parents of the Blessed Mother.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Abbot Leonard's Schecule only)

SUNDAY: For the People of the Chapels MONDAY: Welfare of Agnes Schwarzbauer

TUESDAY: Dec. Fern Diehl

WEDNESDAY: Special Int. Rita Peluso

THURSDAY: Dec. Mary Lawrence

FRIDAY: Special Int. Gerald Lutz

SATURDAY: Dec. Mr. Kowalzyk

Sorrow for sin without amendment of life is nothing but emotion. It ill behooves us to shed sorrowful tears for our sins, if we fail to do our part - ACTIVELY - - to remove sin from our lives. Without doubt we will fall many times in our lives (unfortunately), but a genuine effort must always be there to free ourselves from the slavery of sin - or bad habit. In actual fact, the amendment is of greater importance than our tearful emotion. This is not to say that sorrow for sin is not necessary. It is! If we have offended, we must feel the pain for having offended. Sorrow for sin is very necessary ('My sin is always before me") and important, but it simply has to be accompanied with a serious and genuine PURPOSE of amendment. THERE HAS TO BE A TURNING AWAY FROM SIN!

At every turn in life we are confronted with the problem of our "CONVERSIO", and this problem is ever more aggravated because we literally refuse to - - !S T O P! - - and come to grips with this totally fundamental issue. We have to "TURN" back, and the turning back must be done freely. The turning back must be the result of a genuine love for God, and it must have a firm desire for amendment. First of all and foremost of all, our religious life must flow from the love for God that has to be in us - a love freely given and freely intensified. No outside force must be allowed to interfere with this love! The life of love in our religious living has no fruitful value if it is strangled by rule and regulation. OUR HOLY RELIGION IS NOT A SET OF RULES!! Rules and regulations determine our external conduct - - they do not necessarily penetrate the interior breathing of the soul. Pius and praiseworthy acts can easily be performed for purely NATURAL REASONS - ) reasons forced upon us by rule or regulation; reasons to please the eyes of the world; fear of punishment and all the rest) and therefore be worthless as far as interior religious value is concerned. The health of the soul of man is determined by the quality of love freely given - that soul has for God.! The final outcome of a soul (for good or evil) is determined by motive. Everything - - the Nine Fridays, daily Mass, daily Rosary, the wearing of the Scapular; fighting abortion, pilgrimage, preaching from the housetops, fasting, joining a religious order and all the rest - EVERYTHING!! fails to have any guaranteed value if reconstruction of life FOR THE LOVE OF GOD AND THE DETERMINED DESIRE FOR THE SALVATION OF OUR SOULS are not the goals in our life. Only in the interior life of the soul can salvation be hammered out - - all the pius externalisms in all the world to the contrary notwithstanding. We have no choice but to work WITH OUR WHOLE POWER to come to a clear understanding of this one single - - AWESOME - - reality!!

'Man looks into your face, but God looks into your heart.

'Man sees your works, but God sees your intentions.' (Following of Christ)

## **Important Notice**

ST. PIUS V CHAPEL - - - BIRMINGHAM

During the Month of August - **NEXT** - we have been asked to vacate the Chapel by 10:15 each Sunday. **THEREFORE** - Mass will begin promptly at 9:00 AM.

## NO ROSARY BEFORE MASS

No confessions after - 8:50 AM