

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.

Birmingham

Every Sunday except

First Sunday of each month

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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Feast of the Most Holy Family

Mass of Holy Family: Gl; Cr; Comm First Sun.; Pref Epiphany

Feast Of The Most Holy Family

*And He went down with them, and
came to Nazareth,
and was subject to them...
and Jesus advanced in wisdom, and
age, and grace with God and men.*



CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE - - LAUGHTER

"The following gem was found
in a old book of anonymous
authorship printed in Australia"

What unwelcome and unsocial beings they make of themselves who hold fast to their strangely exaggerated notions of what is unseemly or unbecoming, or who have exaggerated convictions of the sacred fitness of things, or of the serious and lofty dignity of men! They seem to be stern and forbidding censors of the lighter things of life; innocent fun and frivolity they look down upon, for they are seemingly without sense of humour, and loftily they hold aloof from any form of gaiety and jollity, things which make for the happiness and charm of human intercourse. They would even make religion a gloomy, a difficult, a joyless thing; multiplying the "Thou shalt nots!" beyond anything that God ever intended for His creatures here below. We had something of that in religious life once, but it was only after the Jansenistic Heresy had entered to poison the Christian mind, that God's Service was other than a service of happiness, and cheerfulness, and joy.

Some gloomy scribes have gone so far as to say that Our Lord and Our Lady never laughed or smiled - an assertion utterly unbelievable on the face of it. Surely in the Life of Him Who worked His first miracle at a wedding dinner that joy might not be wanting, there must have been times without number when the Voice of Christ rang with hearty laughter, when His Eyes twinkled, when His Sacred