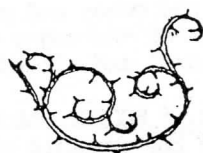


only natural that the "I", the "EGO" and the fulfillment of the present moment's fulfillment snatch up all of our attention. To go beyond that which we know in time and space, takes us to the regions of the UNKNOWN, and too much time spent on such subjects as ETERNITY and DEATH must be avoided, even though every man knows that he WILL NOT ESCAPE death and all the unknowns that follow death.

We were all born in time. We all live in time. We will all die in time. We are creatures of time. Time (and space) is a measurement - it has a beginning and it has an ending. Nevertheless, and believe it or not, we are IMMORTAL BEINGS. We are immortal because ETERNITY for us has already begun. Our ETERNITY began the moment we were conceived. We will never - we can never - CUT OFF life or living! We will change our manner of life, and our way of living, but we WILL NEVER CEASE TO LIVE. The actual truth of the matter is that there is no such thing as dead people or as death. There are only LIVING PEOPLE - people living on earth and people living beyond the limits of the earth. That which we call "death" is not merely a pass over to unknown regions and conditions. "Death" is a going from life on this earth to life AFTER this earth. We go on living. What is not eternal is nothing. That is why everything we do in space and time has a DIRECT bearing on our state of affairs AFTER space and time!

The seriousness of this presentation is simply staggering, and the importance of our compliance with the ORDERS given by Him - Who is eternal and BEYOND space and time, supersedes the importance of everything that is kept captive and within the limits of space and time. If we do not have a proper understanding - as far as human reasoning allows - of Him Who has always been, Who is, and Who will always be - of Him, Who is beyond the limits and measurements of space and time - of Him, Who is ETERNAL - namely God - we will not have the necessary drive to do what God expects of all and anyone in the present state of life. If we do not have a proper understanding - as far as human reasoning allows - of HIM, WHO IS - "then it must follow as the night the day" we have built dubious foundations on the sands of the seashore, and our sand castles will inevitably be washed away by the waves of all the perfidious "FIDELITIES" that splash around in our space and our time!

1. Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament each Lenten Friday at 7:00 P.M.
2. Catechism Class this morning after the 10:00 A.M. Mass.  
Next Sunday, the First Sunday of March - there will be NO Catechism Class.
3. Next Friday, is the First Friday of March. Masses in the Abbey Church are at 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M.
4. Next Saturday, is the First Saturday of March. Masses in the Abbey Church are at 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M.
5. Next Sunday, March 3, 2001 is the First Sunday of March. There will be no 9:30 A.M. Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham.
6. Tomorrow, February 25, 2001 is the Feast Day of St. Matthias.
7. Please remember the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels especially remembering Manny Gomez and Miriam Roy. Let us also remember Mother Angelica.
8. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's Schedule Only)
  - SUNDAY: For the People of the Chapels
  - MONDAY: Special Int. Colette Sherman
  - TUESDAY: Dec. Albert Wolf
  - WEDNESDAY: Dec. Jamie Roy
  - THURSDAY: Special Int. Sister Laurine, O.P.
  - FRIDAY: Special Int. Sister Mary Ann DeCoux
  - SATURDAY: Special Int. Paul Roy Family



What  
have I given  
to my Lord ~



for all He has given to me?!