And so, in His Love, being the Good Shepherd that He is, God comes to seek us: He pursues us and He uses His Providence to try to draw us away from all of our foolish running about in life's endless merry-go-round, to draw all else away from us, so that we may come to listen to the gentleness and softness of His Voice and cast ourselves upon His Heart. Until we learn to walk ALONE with our God (not in loneliness with our God), we shall find no peace. Is this program solely for Monks and Nuns? NOT AT ALL! It is for every man, woman, and child who walks the face of this earth, and, as we all know, this was and is the original intention of our Creator and God.



<u>OUR HOME</u> - <u>OUR HOME</u> - <u>OUR HOME</u> IS THE WORKSHOP IN WHICH WE WORK OUT OUR BLESSEDNESS AND OUR SANCTITY.



- 1. Next Sunday, September 29, 2002, is the Feast of the great St. Michael the Archangel. In our day St. Michael plays a most important part. The war between St. Michael and Lucifer is being waged as never before, and Lucifer knows quite well that his chances for final success are coming to an abrupt end. He is therefore staging the worst attacks he can in his effort to do as much damage as he can before the end. World and Church conditions easily attest to that. Therefore, our best prayers should be offered to St. Michael, and we must give him our best support. Every day we must pray to St. Michael for his help and assistance and protection. Today is the feast day of our Father Michael. Please pray very especially for Fr. Michael.
- 2. We will return to having the Catechism class for the children after the 10:00 Mass, starting on the <u>last Sunday</u> of this Month, September 29, 2002. The Classes will be kept short for the convenience of the waiting parents.
- 3. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Manny Gomez and Miriam Roy. Pray, also, for all the sick and needy, the suffering and hungry, the oppressed of the world. Pray for all the children of the world. Pray earnestly for all Priests! Pray for sinners! Pray for all who have called upon us for prayer and help.
- 4. In the uncertainty of it all, we speak of preparation, and this is as it should be. That we should prepare is good, but let us not think only of preparing ourselves against temporal disaster. Our principal preparation should be for the welfare of our souls. Let us turn more and more to prayer, and let us make every effort to keep ourselves in a constant State of Grace. Now, if ever, we should make better use of the Sacrament of Penance. However, we must remember that in the use of the Sacrament of Penance the amendment of our lives is a critical matter, and without proper amendment, the Sacrament will do us more harm than good. Under no condition should we allow our use of this (or any) Sacrament to become mechanical and perfunctory, thinking in our hearts that the mere use of it will place us in good standing with God. It is not in the EXTERNAL and FORMAL use of the Sacrament that grace comes to us. It is in the INTERNAL CONVERSION of our souls that the graces we seek come to rest in us. THIS IS THE PREPARATION OF THIS DARKSOME MOMENT.
- 5. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels MONDAY: Welfare of James Censale

TUESDAY: Welfare of Ann Roberts

WEDNESDAY: Special intention of Paulita Dudley

THURSDAY: For the Poor Souls

FRIDAY: Special intention of Alan and Pam Olson

SATURDAY: Special intention of Mary Conlon