

1. The monks of Christ the King Abbey and the nuns of St. Joseph's Monastery wish to take this opportunity to thank, with profound thanks, everyone who participated in the wonderful celebration of the SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI. We wish also to thank everyone who contributed anything whatever, especially beautiful flowers for the altars. In truth, Our Blessed Lord was given praise, and we all hope that He was pleased. The weather was beautiful, and the very large crowd of people made the entire ceremony simply magnificent. There were people here from all the Southeastern States. Let us thank God that all returned home safe and sound.
2. Friday of this week is July 4th - Independence Day. Let us give thanks to God for our Nation, in which, believe it or not, we enjoy much that our brothers and sisters of other nations do not know of. There are problems, and we acknowledge them, and we pray to God that He will attend to them, and that He will remove the obstacles that prevent our Nation from being truly great. **It has long been the custom of the Catholic Church that when a major legal holiday falls on a Friday, the abstinence law is suspended. Therefore, MEAT MAY BE EATEN ON THIS FOURTH OF JULY (JULY 4, 2003).**

Happy Fourth of July 2003!

3. Next Sunday, July 6, 2003, is the first Sunday of July and therefore there will be NO Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham next Sunday.
4. There will be NO Catechism class after Mass today or next Sunday.
5. Thursday, July 3, 2003, is the first Thursday of July, the usual day of reparation in the Abbey Church, with Holy Hours from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.
6. Friday, July 4, 2003, is the First Friday of July, with Masses at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM. **NOTE WELL: SINCE THIS FRIDAY IS A MAJOR HOLIDAY, THE USUAL FIRST FRIDAY DAY OF ADORATION WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY, July 11, 2003.**
7. Saturday, July 5, 2003, is the First Saturday of July, with Masses at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM.
8. Today is the Feast of the great founding Saints: Saint Peter and Saint Paul. If ever we have been in need of the help of St. Peter and St. Paul, it is now. Therefore let us continue our prayers to these great Saints.
9. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Manny Gomez and Richard Ploeckelman (who is gravely ill). LET US ALSO PRAY FOR EVERYONE. Let us pray for ALL the priests and religious men and women of the world. NO MAN, WOMAN, OR CHILD SHOULD BE LEFT OUT OF OUR PRAYER. God made all men to be with Him in heaven for all eternity, and this includes every human being on earth, regardless of station or condition or place. Weak human nature and erroneous persuasions will prevent some from achieving the purpose intended for them by God, but that matter remains entirely between all such and God. We must make no judgments concerning such matters. If there is any sifting to be done, it is to be done by God, Himself alone. We are **NOT** the ones to do the sifting.
10. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY:	For the people of our Chapels
MONDAY:	Deceased Mother Mary Lillian
TUESDAY:	Deceased Doris McCann
WEDNESDAY:	Deceased Agnes Schwarzbauer
THURSDAY:	Deceased Father Charles Fiore
FRIDAY:	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY:	Special intention Paul Roy Family



11. Tuesday, July 1, 2003, is the Feast of the Most Precious Blood. Let us remember to thank Our Lord for this most generous and selfless gift of the shedding of His Blood for us, the most undeserving of all His creatures.

12. Wednesday, July 2, 2003, is the Feast of the Visitation of Our Most Blessed Mother. Let us ask Our Lady - our Mother - for at least a small share of her vast humility and obedience.