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.

St Pius V Chapel
Birmingham, Alabama
9:30 A.M.
Every Sunday except
first Sunday of each month

Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel Montgomery, Alabama 10:45 A.M. Only on first Sunday of each month

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY January 11, 2004 – White Mass of Sunday; GI; Cr; Pref. Epiphany Weekly Bulletin #812

- 1. There will be **NO** Catechism class after Mass today.
- 2. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered after the 10:00 AM Mass this morning by Bishop Robert McKenna, O.P.
- 3. Let us offer to God our most special prayers for the welfare of those who are being confirmed today. In the raging conditions prevalent in our present day's world, may God place His special blessing on these cherished souls. May each of them find in the wonderful SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION a consolation they have never before known. GOD BLESS THEM, EVERYONE.
- 4. Ordination to the Subdeaconate was administered by Bishop Robert McKenna, O.P., yesterday, January 10, 2004. Please keep Frater Bernard and Frater Joseph in your very special prayers.
 5. We are all most GRATEFUL to our beloved Bishop McKenna, O.P., for having taken the time to come all the
 - way to Alabama for the Ordinations which took place yesterday and for the Confirmations taking place today. In our gratitude, let us reassure Bishop McKenna of our fidelity, our love, and our PRAYER. May it please God to grant him a long life of FRUITFUL WORK AD MULTOS ANNOS!
- 6. Today is the Feast of the most Holy Family (Roman calendar). Let us pray especially to the Holy Family on this day for guidance and protection for our own families in these evil and uncertain times.7. Epiphany Chalk is available today. Please pick up whatever you need. The Father of the Family is the one to
- give the Epiphany Blessing to his house. In his absence, the Mother takes his place. Let us all look upon this small ceremony as being as important as it really is, and let us not make light of it. Who is there with soul so sure that he dare look lightly upon a Blessing. The protection of the Three Wise Men is urgently needed as we travel along the appallingly grisly avenues of today's world. Use this blessing with care, and know it well, so that it can be explained with dignity and pride to those who do not know of it.
- 8. Tuesday, January 13, 2004, is the Feast of the Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord. Let us ask Our Lord for at least a small share of the humility He practiced in allowing Himself, the Creator of us all, to be baptized by one of His own creatures.
- 9. Anyone wishing to have candles blessed on Candlemas Day (February 2, 2004) should leave them in the Abbey Church vestibule before February 1, in clean and neat containers with your <u>printed</u> name neatly and securely attached.
- 10. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Manny Gomez and Edward Sautner (our Father Michael's father). 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.
- 11. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels

MONDAY: In honor of Saint Joseph

TUESDAY: For the most forgotten Soul in Purgatory WEDNESDAY: Special intention Sister Laurene, O.P.

THURSDAY: For Nancy Quinn

FRIDAY: Special intention Rose Buckland

SATURDAY: For the members of the Hadrovick Family