

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

Birmingham, Alabama

9:30 A.M.

Every Sunday except

first Sunday of each month

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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First Sunday after Pentecost

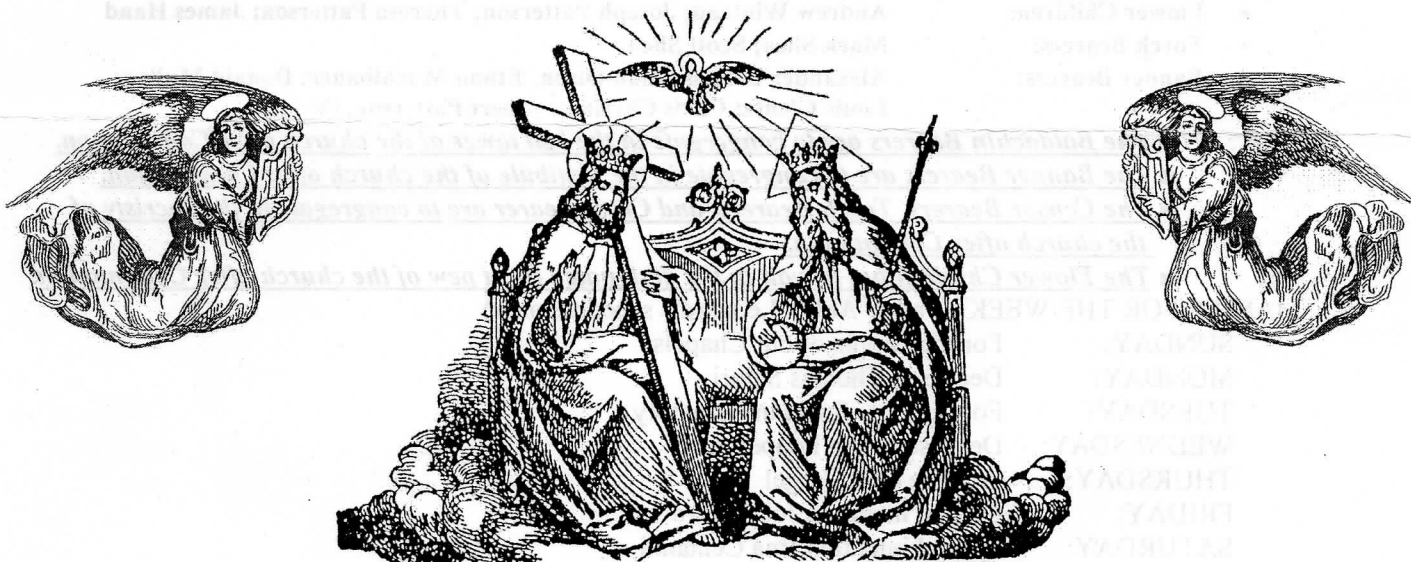
June 6, 2004 – White / Gold

Mass of Feast; GI; Cr; Pref. Holy Trinity; comm. 1st Sunday after Pentecost

Feast of the Most Blessed Trinity

✠ *God the Father!* ✠ *God the Son!* ✠ *God the Holy Ghost!* ✠

Yet not three Gods, but one God!



To the Blessed Trinity



⓪ Blessed Trinity,
Thou dwellest in my breast;
Fill me with thoughts of Thee,
Be Thou my joy, my rest!

⓪ Hidden Deity,
In me I Thee adore
Teach me to live with Thee,
To love Thee daily more.



1. There will be **NO** Catechism class this morning.
2. Thursday, June 10, 2004, is the great FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI.
3. Next Sunday, June 13, 2004 is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Therefore there will be **NO** Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham next Sunday. And, there will be **NO** Catechism class after Mass next Sunday.
4. **PLEASE NOTE WELL: EVERYONE WHO HAS AN ACTIVE PART IN NEXT SUNDAY'S CORPUS CHRISTI CEREMONY — MUST ARRIVE EARLY — IN ORDER TO BE INSTRUCTED WHAT TO DO.**
5. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Diane Calandra (our Frater Joseph's mother). 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.
6. **SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI CEREMONY: NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2004, 10:00 AM.** The ceremony and procession will take place at the Abbey Church (weather permitting). *If anyone in the following list is unable to fill his or her assignment, please notify Father Abbot immediately: (NOTE CHANGES)*
 - Celebrant: Father Prior Sebastian, O.S.B.
 - Acolytes: Frater Joseph, O.S.B.; Frater John, O.S.B.
 - Masters of Ceremony: Father Michael, O.S.B.; Father Francis, O.S.B.; Frater Bernard, O.S.B.
 - Censor Bearers: Wyman Vintson; Stefen Roberts
 - Organist: Laurie Niebuhr
 - Chanters: Frater Joseph, O.S.B.; Frater John, O.S.B.
 - Baldachin Bearers: Thomas Girardi; Mark Hand; Sam Liburdi; Gerald Kelley, Jr.
 - Cross Bearer: Ronald Roberts
 - Flower Children: Andrew Winland; Joseph Patterson; Theresa Patterson; James Hand
 - Torch Bearers: Mark Shea; Scott Shea
 - Banner Bearers: Alexander Salillas; Alan Olson; Ethan Muehlbauer; Donald Mullan; Louis Glentz; Chris Christen; Albert Patterson, IV

- N.B.:**
- **The Baldachin Bearers are to congregate in the bell tower of the church after Communion.**
 - **The Banner Bearers are to congregate in the vestibule of the church after Communion.**
 - **The Censor Bearers, Torch Bearers, and Cross Bearer are to congregate in the sacristy of the church after Communion.**
 - **The Flower Children are to wait in the designated front pew of the church after Communion.**

7. **MASSSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY:	For the People of our Chapels
MONDAY:	Deceased Thomas Satori
TUESDAY:	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
WEDNESDAY:	Deceased John Poppelreiter
THURSDAY:	Welfare Gail Gergel
FRIDAY:	Special intention John Ward
SATURDAY:	Special intention Irna Centanni

Union with God

The union of our souls with God is the end – the very and only reason – for which we were created. It is not only for those who live in monasteries and convents to work out a union with God. This can be – and many times has been – effected by those who live in the world. No doubt the effort required is greater for souls in the world than for monastics.

The bond between God and His creatures can be strengthened only by a conscious effort and a strong determination. Conscious neglect and a careless, haphazard interest will most certainly relax and loosen the bond. Without a conscious, consistent, and never varying religious motive, this bond cannot – indeed will not – be effected. Without a strong prevailing desire – whether for monastics or people of the world – to strengthen the hold of God on the soul, no life can rise to any measurable level of perfection.

For the most part, anyone who has lost touch with the religious impulse to move closer to the perfection asked for by God has, in fact, lost contact with God. He has lost the gentle influence of his God-given grace and is deaf to the low whisperings of his conscience. This is a slow but very persistent process. If this is allowed, we are total and miserable failures – regardless of any apparent earthly success.

The union of our souls with God is the end for which we were created. Nothing else is of any importance.



Thursday, June 10, 2004

is the

Feast of Corpus Christi

Spiritual Communion



The practice of "Spiritual Communion" is, and has always been, a very holy and wholesome devotion. It is an act of true love. As often as the thought comes to mind during the day or night, while walking, lying in bed, shopping, driving, or whatever, a Spiritual Communion can be made and should be made.



"Dear Jesus, I am sorry I cannot receive Thee at this time Sacramentally.

Therefore,

I desire to receive Thee at least Spiritually."



Thursday, June 10, 2004, is the tremendous Feast of Corpus Christi. It is the solemn remembrance of the institution of the Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is beyond our ability to comprehend, and it is an unbelievable gift from Christ. In these days, this Holy Mystery is being treated with savage disrespect and disregard. The entire matter concerning the Holy Eucharist has become a matter of no consequence – and if consequence must be given it, it is nothing more than a symbolism – a symbolism acceptable to **anybody**. Our Tabernacles have been desecrated and thrown out; our Churches have been turned into auditoriums; our Sanctuaries overflow with all kinds of strange people with **really strange shepherds** directing them to perform all kinds of strange things. Good people have been turned into disbelievers. And all of this has been brought about, not so much by the barbarian, as by the very ones who, by their ordination, have committed themselves to preach the true Word of God, and to teach and protect Truth, which is God.



Sunday, June 13, 2004, is the

Solemnity of Corpus Christi



THE ATHANASIAN CREED

Whosoever will be saved, * before all things * it is necessary that he hold the Catholic Faith. * Which Faith, * except everyone do keep whole and undefiled, * without doubt he shall perish everlastingly. * And the Catholic Faith is this: * That we worship one God in Trinity, * and Trinity in Unity; * neither confounding the Persons, * nor dividing the substance. * For there is one Person of the Father, * another of the Son, * and another of the Holy Ghost. * But the Godhead of the Father, * of the Son, * and of the Holy Ghost, * is all One; * the glory equal, the majesty co-eternal. * Such as the Father is, * such is the Son, * and such is the Holy Ghost. * The Father uncreate, * the Son uncreate, * and the Holy Ghost uncreate. * The Father incomprehensible, * the Son incomprehensible, * and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible. * The Father eternal, * the Son eternal, * and the Holy Ghost eternal. * And yet they are not three eternals * but one eternal. * As also there are not three incomprehensibles, * nor three uncreated, * but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible. * So likewise, the Father is almighty, * the Son almighty, * and the Holy Ghost almighty. * And yet they are not three almighties, * but one almighty. * So the Father is God, * the Son is God, * and the Holy Ghost is God. * And yet they are not three Gods, but one God. * So likewise the Father is Lord, * the Son Lord, * and the Holy Ghost Lord. * And yet not three Lords, but one Lord. * For like as we are compelled by the Christian truth * to acknowledge every Person by Himself to be God and Lord; * so are we forbidden by the Catholic Religion to say, * There be three Gods or three Lords. * The Father is made of none; * neither created nor begotten. * The Son is of the Father alone; * not made, nor created, but begotten. * The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son; * neither made, nor created, nor begotten, * but proceeding. * So there is one Father, not three Fathers; * one Son, not three Sons; * one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts. * And in this Trinity * none is before, or after other; * none is greater, or less than another; * but the whole three Persons * are co-eternal, together, and co-equal. * So that in all things, as is aforesaid, * the Unity in Trinity and the Trinity in Unity * is to be worshipped. * He therefore that will be saved, * must thus think of the Trinity. * Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation * that he also believe rightly * the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. * For the right faith is, * that we believe and confess * that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, * is God and Man; * God, of the substance of the Father, * begotten before the worlds; * and Man, of the substance of His Mother, * born in the world; * perfect God and perfect Man: * of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting; * equal to the Father, as touching His Godhead; * and inferior to the Father, as touching His Manhood. * Who although He be God and Man, * yet He is not two, but one Christ; * one; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh, * but by taking of the Manhood into God; * one altogether; not by confusion of substance, * but by unity of person. * For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man, * so God and Man is one Christ. * Who suffered for our salvation, * descended into hell, * rose again the third day from the dead. * He ascended into heaven, * He sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty; * from whence He shall come * to judge the quick and the dead. * At Whose coming all men * shall rise again with their bodies, * and shall give account for their own works. * And they that have done good * shall go into life everlasting; * and they that have done evil * into everlasting fire. * This is the Catholic Faith, * which except a man believe faithfully, * he cannot be saved.