

1. There will be Catechism class after the 10:00 AM Mass today.
2. Tuesday, August 24, 2004, is the Feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle.
3. Saturday, August 28, 2004, is the Feast of the great St. Augustine. Let us pray especially to St. Augustine, and to his mother, St. Monica, for the conversion of our loved ones, and of the world.
4. EARLY NOTICE: On Wednesday, September 8, 2004, the Feast of the Nativity of our Blessed Mother, the High Altar of our Abbey Church will be solemnly consecrated. This ceremony is very beautiful, holy, and interesting. It is quite lengthy, lasting about four hours (more or less). This ceremony is a "once in a lifetime" affair. The ceremony begins at 8:00 AM and concludes with the celebration of Mass on the High Altar.
5. EARLY NOTICE No. 2: On Sunday, October 10, 2003, the Sunday before the Feast of the Holy Motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with a profound petition that God's blessing be upon us all, we hope to give honor to the Blessed Mother in a very special manner. In preparation, we ask that you uphold the INTENTION and PURPOSE of that day in your daily prayers – beginning today. Let us look upon that day as a day of pilgrimage; a day of special prayer and penance; a day of reparation for our own sins and the sins of the world; a day of prayer for the welfare of the Church of Jesus Christ; a day to give glory to God. After the 10:00 AM Mass on that day, the statue of our Lady, under the miraculous title of "Our Lady of Cape de Madeline (Quebec)," will be solemnly blessed and crowned. This will be followed by a procession with a statue of Our Lady of Fatima and several banners honoring her apparitions. After the procession there will be Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament outside. Afterwards there will be a covered dish dinner at the Gold Ridge Community Center [For more information, call either Mrs. Mishale Roberts: (256) 739 – 8676; or Mrs. Carol Girardi: (256) 423 – 2920]. More on all this later.
6. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels, especially remembering our Mother Mary Monica, O.S.B., Diane Calandra (our Frater Joseph's mother), and all our sick and suffering Priests.
7. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY:	For the People of our Chapels
MONDAY:	For Mary Peterka
TUESDAY:	Welfare Marguerite McGill
WEDNESDAY:	In thanksgiving to God the Father
THURSDAY:	Special intention Father Gerard McKee, C.M.R.I.
FRIDAY:	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY:	Special intention sister Laurene, O.P.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us who have recourse to thee! Today is the beautiful Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a very special feast, and one that should be given our special attention. As we watch our world - and our Church - continue to crumble before our very eyes, the help of our Blessed Mother should be sought after with all of our strength and attention. She is the one who has ready access to her Divine Son, and it is known that He listens to her intercessions. She is "our tainted nature's solitary boast." We strongly recommend the following Consecration to her Immaculate Heart. It should be recited each and every day:

"My Queen! My Mother! I give myself entirely to thee, and to show my devotion to thee, I consecrate to thee this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my whole being, without reserve. Wherefore, good Mother, as I am thine own, keep me, guard me as thy property and possession. Amen."

This in no way interferes with the Heroic Act of Charity made for the good of the Poor Souls in Purgatory. Both Acts of Consecration can be made simultaneously without concern.

!! IMPORTANT NOTICE !!

ST. PIUS V CHAPEL — BIRMINGHAM

During the Month of August, 2004, we have been asked to vacate the Chapel
by 10:00 A.M. each Sunday.

Therefore, Mass will begin promptly at **9:00 A.M.**

NO CONFESSIONS AFTER 8:50 A.M.