

1. There will be Catechism class after the 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
2. Thursday, February 24, 2005, is the Feast of Saint Matthias the Apostle.
3. The Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament are held on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 PM in the Abbey Church.
4. It is understood that many of the people in attendance at our Chapels are unable to attend the Stations of the Cross at the Abbey. In such cases, the Home Chapel should be used. The head of the family should lead the devotion. In the place of Benediction, the Holy Rosary can be said by all. The proper example of the parents in this matter is most important. Wise, prudent, and gentle instruction should be used to motivate the children as to what is taking place. Force or strong discipline must never be used to bear upon children in this matter. Do not fatigue the children with lengthy devotions.
5. We encourage you to make use of the Lenten Readings. Again, it is the duty of the head of the family to read the assigned reading for the day. No one sitting at the table should begin eating until the reading is completed.
6. **EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT:** Palm Sunday this year is March 20. Because of the usual Palm Sunday Ceremonies held before the 10:00 Mass at the Abbey Church, **there will be NO Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham on Sunday, March 20, 2005.**
7. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. 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. While Our Blessed Lord was hanging on the Cross He did not look around and pick and choose those for whom He was dying. He did not exclude a single member of the Human Race – even His enemies – from the wounded Love that came forth from Him during those momentous moments. 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. Our only duty is to pray for **souls**. We 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.
8. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

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| SUNDAY: | For the People of our Chapels |
| MONDAY: | Deceased Thomas and Mabel Regan |
| TUESDAY: | Special intention Ann Biwer |
| WEDNESDAY: | Welfare Edwin Gehl, Jr. |
| THURSDAY: | For the Poor Souls in Purgatory |
| FRIDAY: | Special intention Michael Oleksa |
| SATURDAY: | Special intention Angelo Chiapparo |

