

and writing and publishing and arguing and debating, we have in reality accomplished nothing, and have succeeded only in making all the confusion worse confounded. Disagreement and quarrelling have fragmented every effort that would bring about healing and restore Christian order.

In all of this, most of us have failed to turn to God in prayer and penance and self-abnegation, and we refuse to work toward reconstruction of self. If we want God to come to our assistance, we must first admit our total dependency on Him and approach Him with humility of mind and heart, and with prayer – much prayer – more prayer, and yet more prayer. Only then will God move and come to our aid. With pure and unfeigned Christian Charity let us cry out to God for guidance, while at the same time let us pray for the repose of the soul of this man. God is the architect – not us!

Finally, as all the vicissitudes of these terrible days come crashing into our innermost beings, let this above all be at the center of our concerns: the honor and glory of God and the salvation of souls!



1. There will be Catechism class after the 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
2. **EARLY NOTICE:** On Sunday, May 8, 2005, Mother's Day, we will have our usual Ceremony of the Crowning of Our Lady's statue in the Abbey Church before the 10:00 AM Mass. Miss Sarah Renee Smith will crown Our Lady this year. However, there WILL be Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham on Mother's Day.
3. **EARLY NOTICE No. 2:** Sunday, May 29, 2005, is Corpus Christi Sunday (the Feast of Corpus Christi itself is the Thursday before: May 26, 2005), with the usual Corpus Christi Procession and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament after Mass at the Abbey Church. **Therefore there will be NO Mass at St. Pius V Chapel in Birmingham on that day (Sunday, May 29, 2005).**
4. 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.
5. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY:	For the People of our Chapels
MONDAY:	Deceased Howard Kelley
TUESDAY:	Deceased Lois Nichols
WEDNESDAY:	Deceased Bridgid Brinkmann
THURSDAY:	Special intention Gail Gergel
FRIDAY:	Special intention Lauren Lehmann
SATURDAY:	Special intention John Bieker

