

1. There will be NO Catechism class after Mass until Sunday, May 21, 2006. When Catechism class does resume, it will be for the younger children (although older ones may attend if they like), and Father Joseph will be the new teacher. This will leave Father Francis available for consultations with the older children or whoever may need special help or advice. Also, this will allow Catechism class to continue weekly with less interruptions because of first Sundays, etc..
2. There WILL be the usual 5:00 PM Sunday Vespers and Benediction this afternoon in the Abbey Church.
3. **N.B.:** Next Sunday, May 7, 2006, in the Abbey Church, the children making their First Communion on Mother's Day will make their *First Confession immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass (May 7, 2006).*
4. **Next Sunday, May 7, 2006, is the first Sunday of May. Therefore there will be NO Mass at Saint Pius V Chapel in Birmingham next Sunday.**
5. Sunday, May 14, 2006, we will have First Communion during the 10:00 Mass in the Abbey Church. Please allow the First Communicants to come up to the Communion Rail first and alone.
6. Also on Sunday, May 14, 2006, we will have our usual ceremony of the Crowning of Our Lady after the 10:00 AM Mass in the Abbey Church. Miss Grace Le Blanc will crown Our Lady this year.
7. **Tomorrow, May 1, 2006, is the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker.**
8. Tomorrow, May 1, 2006, the first day of May, we begin our annual May Rosary procession (weather permitting) to the outdoor shrine of Our Lady each evening during the Month of May, beginning at 7:10 PM in the Abbey Church. In case of inclement weather, we pray the whole Rosary in the Abbey Church.
9. Wednesday, May 3, 2006, is the Feast of the Finding of the True Cross. The third and last blessing will be put on the little Palm Crosses on that day. (The second blessing was put on the Palm Crosses last week on the Feast of Saint Peter of Verona – Roman Calendar – April 29, 2006.) The blessed Palm Crosses will be distributed at all Masses next Sunday.
10. Thursday, May 4, 2006, is the first Thursday of May, with Holy Hour and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament in the Abbey Church from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.
11. Thursday, May 4, 2006, is also the Feast of Saint Monica, and is the Name day of our Mother Mary Monica, OSB. Please remember Mother Monica in your very special prayers on that day.
12. Friday, May 5, 2006, is the First Friday of May, with Masses in the Abbey Church at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM, and all-day Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 10:00 AM until 6:00 PM.
13. Friday, May 5, 2006, is also the Feast of Saint Pius V, Patron of our Chapel in Birmingham.
14. Saturday, May 6, 2006, is the First Saturday of May, with Masses in the Abbey Church at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM.
15. Last Thursday, April 27, 2006, Mrs. Connie Potvin, the mother of our Mrs. Carolyn Dobbs, departed this life in death. In the charity of us all, let us with fervent prayer recommend her soul to the loving mercy of God.
16. 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.**
17. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)**
  - SUNDAY: For Iva Roy
  - MONDAY: Welfare Saint Joseph's Monastery (*Feast of Saint Joseph*)
  - TUESDAY: For the People of our Chapels
  - WEDNESDAY: For John and Rita Dumbacher and Ann Roberts
  - THURSDAY: For Mother Mary Monica, OSB (*Name day*)
  - FRIDAY: Special intention Mrs. Stolpa
  - SATURDAY: Special intention Paul Roy Family

Today, April 30, 2006, our beloved Mrs. Iva Roy celebrates her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Mrs. Roy has, together with her husband Paul (who died in 1991), been actively engaged in the work of preserving the Catholic Faith and Religion since work to that purpose first began. The two of them were involved when the first Tridentine Mass was celebrated in Birmingham, Alabama, on September 12, 1977. Later, on October 25, 1980, they founded Our Lady of Lourdes' Chapel in Montgomery. Ever since those distant days, Mr. and Mrs. Roy worked without ceasing in preserving the True Faith in our area. They have always been pillars of strength to the priests who worked with them. When Paul died, Mrs. Iva, with the faithful help of her daughter Johanna, worked with even greater vigor and determination. To this very day she has always been a marvel of strength and humble example. The support and prayer of Paul and Iva Roy was greatly responsible for the beginnings of the FOUNDATION OF CHRIST THE KING ABBEY, here in Cullman, Alabama. May God place great blessings on Paul and Iva Roy. *AD MULTOS ANNOS, Iva Roy!*