- 1. CATECHISM CLASS: Children ages six through fourteen please meet Father Joseph in the vestibule of the Abbey Church right after the 10:00 AM Mass.
- 2. There WILL be 5:00 PM Sunday Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament this afternoon.
- 3. Tuesday, July 11, 2006, is the Solemnity of the Feast our Holy Father Saint Benedict. Even though mostly unknown in our modern times, Saint Benedict was surely one of the greatest men of all time. Not only did he bring about the formation of an enormous religious way of life for monks and nuns, but his influence has also come down to all people by way of his *Holy Rule*, which has given direction not only to the Church at large, but as well in the formation of the Christian nations of Europe. Let us ask him for his help in today's problems, both ecclesiastical as well as political.
- 4. Wednesday, July 12, 2006, is the Feast of Saint Veronica (Roman calendar), and is the Name day of our Sister Mary Veronica, OSB. Please keep Sister Veronica in your special prayers on this day.
- 5. 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.

6. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels MONDAY: Welfare Quadagna Family

TUESDAY: Welfare our Religious Communities (Feast of Saint Benedict)

WEDNESDAY: Special intention Sister Mary Veronica, OSB (Name day)

THURSDAY: For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY: Special intention Mary Brueggemann SATURDAY: For Sister Denis Marie McMahon, CSI

~ OUR FAITH ~

In the troubled times of today, in the observance of our Holy Religion and the various rules and regulations which govern proper and honest Catholic life and moral conduct, we Catholics – we traditional Roman Catholics – must take every care that we do not give in to any self-serving interests or personally preferred or convenient religious observances. Our belief must be pure, simple, committed, correct, and sincere. Our faith must not be built upon unorthodox foundations concocted and put together by the bitter zeal of those who know nothing but bitter zeal. Our faith must in no way be dependent upon the words of those whose credentials are unproven or nonexistent. No value whatsoever comes from a faith that springs forth from such origins. Rather, uncertainty of conscience, a malformed conscience, instability, poor religious practices, and even loss of faith are the results of such "manufactured tradition". The gloom of sadness always overshadows an unstable soul.

The truth of life that comes from living a pure and unadulterated faith – the faith that is handed down to us by the precepts and teachings of our true and holy Religion – simply must be the foundation stone of absolutely everything we do. If it is otherwise, we are living a myth. If it is otherwise, we are living a myth that gives no lasting satisfaction, no consolation, no stability, no joy, no peace, and precious little (if any) freedom. It is a myth that will force us to live separated – aloof and all alone – in the dark shadows of life.

Only when we really live the True Faith in all of its fullness will we come to know the wondrous beauty and peace of a life lived in the brilliance of God's love!

!! IMPORTANT NOTICE !!

ST. PIUS V CHAPEL — BIRMINGHAM

During the Month of <u>August</u>, 2006, 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.