"If you keep His law, as shown to you by the Holy Rule and your superiors, He will do everything for you. 'I will write it (His law) in their hearts,' He said of the Israelites, 'and I will be their God, and they shall be My people." (Jer. 31:33) So long as you never deviate from obedience, you have the assurance that you are doing God's will. Only time can tell whether that will is that you persevere to your profession, or that you return to the world. But whichever it is (and you will discover which it is by obedience), it is the best possible thing for you, for it is the most holy will of God.

"You have generously answered the call of God. Continue, then, to give yourselves to Him with complete generosity, holding nothing back, and He will continue to cherish you and to load you with blessings. That you may so act, and that He may consequently so reward you, is the earnest and humble prayer of all of us here today." (*The Joy of Serving God*, by Father Basil Hemphill, O.S.B., 1948)

What Father Basil says above about nuns applies with equal emphasis and importance to monks.

- 1. CATECHISM CLASS: Children 6 to 14 please meet Father Joseph in the vestibule right after the 10:00 Mass.
- 2. There WILL be 5:00 PM Sunday Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament this afternoon.
- 3. Tuesday, October 24, 2006, is the Feast of St. Raphael the Archangel (Roman calendar).
- 4. Saturday, October 28, 2006, is the Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles.
- 5. Next Sunday, October 29, 2006, (the Feast of Christ the King), because of the ceremony of the investiture of the novices, THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT SAINT PIUS V CHAPEL IN BIRMINGHAM.
- 6. Also next Sunday, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will immediately follow the 10:00 Mass.
- 7. There WILL be 5:00 PM vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament next Sunday afternoon.
- 8. The Sunday after next, November 5, 2006, is the first Sunday of November. Therefore there will be <u>NO</u> Mass at Saint Pius V Chapel in Birmingham Sunday after next.
- 9. Early Notice: Wednesday, November 1, 2006 is the Feast of All Saints, and is a Holyday of Obligation.

  Masses in the Abbey Church will be at 6:00 AM, 8:00 AM, and 7:00 PM.
- 10. Early Notice: Thursday, November 2, 2006, is the Commemoration of All Souls. It is <u>NOT</u> a Holyday of Obligation. Masses in the Abbey Church will be at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM <u>ONLY</u>.
- 11. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. Join us in reciting the Rosary each evening of October in the Abbey Church at 7:10 PM, followed immediately by Compline.
- 12. Please return the Holy Souls envelopes before November 1, 2006.
- 13. N.B.: NEXT SUNDAY, DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS SET ALL CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.
- 14. 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.
- 15. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)

SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels

MONDAY: Special intention Margaret Rosenberg

TUESDAY: For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY: Special intention Catherine Schwartz

THURSDAY: Deceased Edward Willwerth FRIDAY: Welfare Angelica Bartlett

SATURDAY: Deceased Anna Faltinowski

## TRUST, AND FEAR NOT!

It matters little if the devil assaults us over and over again. If in our minds and hearts there is a genuine and abiding Hope and Love and an active Faith Commitment, the full fury of the devil's rage will always break on the rock of our holy intention. Oh, yes, he will surely roar and he will rave and rant. He will threaten, and, worst of all, he will try to stir up the ugly clouds of discouragement and diffidence all about us, but he will never be able to shake us if we place our full and unquestioned trust in God.