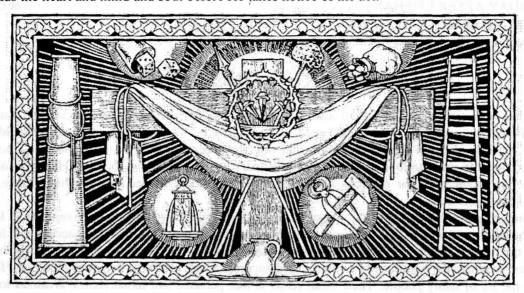
Therefore, the Septuagesima and Lenten Seasons are brought to the attention of all right thinking people for the sole purpose of giving us the opportunity to evaluate the condition of our spiritual lives. Whoever of us who intend to save our immortal souls must strive, honestly and conscientiously, to develop in ourselves a well ordered interior life conducive to salvation by taking the objective truths of correct Catholic living as our directive principles.

Next Sunday begins the holy season of SEPTUAGESIMA. Let us, therefore, begin now to get our spiritual house in order. The Septuagesima Season, however, is not yet the strict penitential season of Lent. Fasting and abstinence are not yet asked for. With a proper Lenten attitude in mind, however, we should begin to focus not so much in DOING as on BEING! Any planned or predetermined act of mortification or penance or reparation or anything else we hope to put into practice during Lent has little or no value if our attitude of mind and heart and soul is not the moving force behind that act. God reads the heart and mind and soul before He takes notice of the act.



- 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 Benedictine of the Most Blessed Sacrament this afternoon.
- 3. Thursday, February 1, 2007, is the first Thursday of February, with Holy Hour and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.
- 4. Friday, February 2, 2007, is the First Friday of February, with Masses in the Abbey Church at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM, and all-day Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM.
- 5. Friday is also the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Candles will be blessed before the 6:00 AM Mass.
- 6. Saturday, February 3, is the First Saturday of February with Masses in the Abbey Church at 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM.
- 7. Saturday is also the Feast of Saint Blaise, with the Saint Blaise Blessing of throats after both Masses Saturday and all Masses Sunday.
- 8. Sunday, February 4, 2007, is the first Sunday of February. Therefore there will be <u>NO</u> Mass at Saint Pius V Chapel in Birmingham next Sunday.
- 9. 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.

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

SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels
MONDAY: Special intention Barbara Krause
TUESDAY: Deceased Anna Faltinowski

WEDNESDAY: Father Abbot Leonard (Mass of thanksgiving)

THURSDAY: Deceased Ralph Powinski
FRIDAY: For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY: Special intention Paul Roy Family