

# Christ the King Abbey

(Traditional Benedictines)  
( Formerly St Francis of Assisi Chapel)  
[www.ChristTheKingAbbey.org](http://www.ChristTheKingAbbey.org)  
Cullman, Alabama  
Every Sunday: 6:00 AM and 10:00 AM  
Daily: 6:00 AM  
Holy Days of Obligation:  
6:00 AM - 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel  
Montgomery, Alabama  
10:45 AM  
Only on first Sunday  
of each month

St Pius V Chapel  
Birmingham, Alabama  
9:30 AM  
Every Sunday except  
first Sunday of each month

PALM SUNDAY

April 1, 2007 – Purple

Mass of Sunday; no Gl; Cr; Pref. Holy Cross

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## Palm Sunday



*Today is Palm Sunday. Today is a very important day in the Life of Christ – it is the beginning day of the last week of His life on this earth. Each day of this week important. Our Lord's work for each day has an unequalled supremacy about it, and fortunately, the Evangelists give a slower and more minute account of Our Lord's actions day by day. There are very serious reasons for the careful description of each day's activities. During the days of this final week, Our Lord accomplished – He consummated – the great work He came here to do. He set up the New Law! He set up the New Sacraments! He set up the new priesthood, replacing the old priesthood of the Old Law! He gave us as a lasting memorial the inestimably precious Gift of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist – His Most Sacred Body and Blood for the nourishment of our souls! He reconciled us with His Father! He redeemed us from sin and hell! He opened the gates of Heaven! Finally, during this week His Love for us comes out more wonderfully than ever. His words, His acts, His prayers clearly demonstrate the profundity of the love that was in His Heart for us. When, during the majestic procession the population cried out "HOSANNA!" and the Pharisees scolded Him saying: "Master, rebuke Thy disciples," He said to them: "I say to you that if these shall hold their peace, the very stones will cry out!" Only He, God that He was, could penetrate the cosmic force that had suddenly burst forth for all to see – even the stones.*

*And we, should we not come to the moments of these last days of our dear Lord's Life on earth with hearts more referent, more full of love and gratitude than hitherto, that we may believe and understand and feel about them as is pleasing to Him and helpful to our own souls.*

*Our Lord knew what was coming – the excited people did not! He knew that in five days He would be hanging in agony on a cross outside the city walls, forsaken by all. He knew, He cried, He comprehended, in all of the depth of it all, the utter misery in the souls of men as they cried – then, and still do now – that His Blood be upon them and upon their children.*