

Christ the King Abbey

(Traditional Benedictines)

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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

Fourth (Lætare) Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2010 – Purple

Mass of Sunday: G; Cr; Preface of Lent

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Lætare Sunday

Rose Sunday

○ Jesus, Our God, Our Lord,
Our Redeemer,
Have Mercy on Us



Who brings souls to salvation? NOT US - to be sure! It is Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Most Blessed Trinity, Who redeems souls! It is Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, Who has been saving souls and Who continues to redeem souls. He saves souls by applying the infinite merits of His bloody expiation.

Jesus Christ is God! And He forever was and forever will be the Second Person of the Most Blessed Trinity. Therefore, being God, He does everything divinely well! And due to His condescension which is divine, He allows us to become co-operators in His work of saving souls. Let us take special note, however, that our cooperative work in saving souls is fruitful only in proportion to our union with Him, that is, our enduring love for Him.

Everything that Saint Paul says about love as related to the supernatural value of our actions, may be applied to our apostolate for the benefit of other souls. Without love, all our words, whether spoken or written, would be but sounding brass and tinkling cymbals! Without love, that is CHARITY, every endeavor of ours to find new ways of impressing souls would be useless! We may be preachers - good ones - or public speakers, journalists, organizers - all of the very best - but if the Charity of Jesus Christ Crucified does not burn within us, we will NEVER BE APOSTLES.

An Apostle is one who speaks and acts in the name of Jesus Christ. An Apostle is in intimate union with Jesus Christ - all the time! An Apostle is inflamed by both the same love for God the Father and the same passionate zeal for saving souls! In his zeal, in his prayer, in his intention, in his teaching, in his example, in his determination, and all else, an Apostle is CONSTANT - always constant.

An Apostle is not, as is the moon, inconstant! Every moment, whether he is at prayer, or at his work place, or at home, or at his recreation, or even in his sleep, an Apostle is always motivated by the same force - LOVE.

Blessed Father Saint Joseph - pray for us

1. Thanks be to God and for the greater Honor and Glory of God, this year we hope to observe the full Liturgical Ceremony for Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Please pray that all will proceed in good order. The Holy Thursday Mass will begin at 7:00 PM. The Liturgical Solemnity of Good Friday will begin at 12:00 Noon. Everyone should make a real effort to be present at these very Holy Ceremonies.
2. There will be Catechism class today after the 10:00 AM Mass.
3. March 19, 2010 is the Feast of St. Joseph. It goes without saying that after our prayer in honor of our most Blessed Mother Mary, our prayer should next be directed to our most Holy and Blessed Father, St. Joseph. St. Joseph together with our Blessed Mother should hold the place of highest honor in our household. May St. Joseph help and protect and pray for us, and our families.
4. The Novena in Honor of St. Benedict is in progress.
5. **Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday night of Lent at 7:00 PM.**
6. Our Presentation of the "Power of Prayer," by Father Richard Gräf will be interrupted until Low Sunday.
7. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. Pray also for the injured and the dead victims of the earthquakes that have recently taken place.
8. Easter Sunday: there will be no Mass at St. Pius V Chapel, Birmingham; there will be Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel, Montgomery – Mass will begin on time 10:45 AM
9. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)
 - SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels
 - MONDAY: Dec Father Joseph Sanchez O.F.M.
 - TUESDAY: Special Int. Linda Mader
 - WEDNESDAY: For Paul Dumbacher and family
 - THURSDAY: For Special Int. Father Joseph O.S.B. - Nameday
 - FRIDAY: Welfare St Joseph Convent - Patron
 - SATURDAY: Welfare of our Abbey Church - Patron

On Friday March 19, 2010, the Feast of St. Joseph,
Douglas LeBlanc
will enter the Novitiate of Christ the King Monastery
as an aspirant to the Holy Priesthood
Mass will be at 8:00 AM
Please pray ardently for Mr. Douglas LeBlanc

Assignments for the Ceremonies of Holy Thursday:

1. Celebrant: Father Abbot Leonard OSB
2. Master of Ceremonies:
 - (1) Father Michael OSB
 - (2) Father Sebastian OSB
3. Acolytes: Daniel Henderson and Ronald Roberts.
4. Censors bearers: (Mass and Procession) Novice Douglas LeBlanc
(For Procession only) Kenneth LeBlanc
5. Cross Bearer for Procession: Brother Louis OSB
6. Chanters: Father Joseph OSB and Novice Douglas LeBlanc
7. Organist: Father Bernard OSB
8. Umbrellino: Donald Mullan

All night Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament begins immediately after the ceremony.

A Thought To Remember ...

**"There is no possibility of receiving the Life of Christ in our members,
unless the activity of corrupt nature in those members is paralyzed
by self-inflicted privations."**

Father Edward Leen C.S.S.P.