

# Christ the King Abbey

(Traditional Benedictines)

(St Francis of Assisi Chapel)

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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

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

**Holy Family Sunday (Roman Calendar)**

*(Formerly the Sunday within the Octave)*

January 8, 2006 – White

Mass of Sunday; Gl; Cr; Pref. Epiphany

Weekly Bulletin #917

## Epiphany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

*“Alleluia, alleluia. We have seen His star in the East,  
and are come with gifts to adore the Lord. Alleluia.”*



*We, the Monks of Christ the King Abbey and the Nuns of Saint Joseph's Monastery would like to take this opportunity to thank you all, with profound gratitude, for the many expressions of kindness you have shown to us during this Christmas Season. We are most grateful for the love given to us by all of you, our friends and benefactors, who, together with us, give witness to Almighty God. We pray our best for you and your loved ones, and we pray that you will always find true and solid Catholic religious fulfillment in all that we do. May this New Year be a safe and holy one for you and your loved ones. Let your prayer be:*

*“Jesus, Mary – I love you. Save Souls!”*

1. There WILL be Catechism class after the 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
2. There WILL be the usual Sunday Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:00 PM this afternoon.
3. Friday, January 13, 2006, is the Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord.
4. **N.B.: On Sunday, January 29, 2006, Sister Mary Bernadette, OSB, will make her Simple Triennial Vows: THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT SAINT PIUS V CHAPEL IN BIRMINGHAM ON JANUARY 29, 2006.**
5. *Our Sunday Bulletins are now available on our Website each week, usually by late Saturday evening. Simply click on the "Scriptorium" button, then click on "Our Sunday Bulletins," then on the Bulletin you wish to view. Each Bulletin can be downloaded and printed if you wish.*
6. **N.B.:** Anyone wishing to have candles blessed on Candlemas Day (Thursday, February 2, 2006), should bring them in nicely decorated containers, WITH PROPER IDENTIFICATION, and place them in the vestibule of the Abbey Church **no later than Sunday, January 29, 2006.**
7. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. LET US ALSO PRAY FOR EVERYONE.
8. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)
 

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| SUNDAY:    | For the People of our Chapels          |
| MONDAY:    | Special intention Sister Laurene, O.P. |
| TUESDAY:   | Special intention Peggy Rosenberg      |
| WEDNESDAY: | Special intention Angela Bartlett      |
| THURSDAY:  | Deceased Ralph Pawinski                |
| FRIDAY:    | For the Poor Souls in Purgatory        |
| SATURDAY:  | Deceased Abbot Hilary Dreaper, O.S.B.  |

**EARLY NOTICE**

By the Grace of God, Sister Mary Bernadette, OSB,  
will make her Simple Triennial Vows as a Nun of Saint Joseph's Monastery  
during the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, January 29, 2006.  
Please keep Sister Bernadette in your special prayers.

**"UPHOLD ME, O LORD, ACCORDING TO THY WORD ..."**

**20 + G + M + B + 06**

(20 + Gaspar + Melchior + Balthazar + 06)

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**THE CEREMONY FOR THE EPIPHANY BLESSING OF THE HOME**

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(On Epiphany Day - or any day within the Octave of the Feast of the Epiphany - at home, the following ceremony is performed by a priest or the father or senior member of the family. The following prayer is said once and at the main entrance of the house. All the family members should be present, and should accompany the priest or the head of the family as he or she goes from door to door - everyone keeping a respectful silence, or better yet, reciting the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary.)

*V.* Peace to my house. *R.* And to all who live here.

*V.* The father of the just will exult with glee; let your father and mother have joy. *R.* All nations shall serve Him.

*V.* Happy they who dwell in Your House, O Lord! Continually they praise You. *R.* All nations shall serve Him.

*V.* Blessed is the man who hears me and who watches daily at my gates and at the post of my doors. *R.* All nations...

*V.* O Lord, hear my prayer. *R.* And let my cry come unto You.

**Father:** LET US PRAY:

Hear us, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Eternal God, and send Thy Holy Angel from Heaven to watch over, cherish, protect, be with, and defend all who live in my house. I call upon Your Saints, Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, to protect my family and my home from every harm and danger, and I place the marks of their holy names over the doors of my home to remain there as a constant reminder to us and to all who enter here that my house is truly a house of the Lord.

O God, make the door of my house wide enough to receive all who need human love and companionship; narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. O God, make the door of my house the gateway to Thy eternal Kingdom.

I ask these things in the Name of Jesus Christ Thy Son. *Amen.*

**+ All nations shall serve Him +**