

# St. Benedict's Traditional Catholic Church

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Laceys Spring, Alabama 35754

Roman Catholic

Traditional Latin Mass

**The Religious Congregation of Mary Immaculate Queen (CMRI)**

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**BAPTISM:** Please see Father to inform need of Baptism. There is a form to fill out prior to the Baptism. Reminder: Novus Ordo & non-practicing Catholics cannot serve as godparents, since they lack the intention of seeing to the traditional Catholic upbringing of children. Baptisms should take place within a month after birth. A grave reason is needed to delay it beyond then.

<b>PENANCE:</b>	Sunday	9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.
	Wednesday	7:25 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.
	Saturday	9:30 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.
		4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	5:15 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
	Holy Day	30 minutes before Mass

**MATRIMONY:** For practicing traditional Catholics only. Contact the priest at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage instructions. The best man and maid of honor of the marriage should be Catholics, since they are the official witnesses to the Sacrament of Matrimony.

**HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK:** Please contact and arrange with Father if a sick call is needed. If anyone is in danger of death, please call Father **IMMEDIATELY!** for **Extreme Unction or Last Rites.**

**CONFIRMATION:** Will be conferred by Bishop Pivarunas upon request. Please let Father know of the need for youth or adults who may need, so as to begin preparation and to put in a request for a visit by Bishop Pivarunas.

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**April 2, 2017 Church Website: [st-benedict-hsv.org](http://st-benedict-hsv.org)**

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## DRESS CODE FOR CMRI CHAPELS

**Out of respect for the Blessed Sacrament, and in keeping with Christian modesty, please observe the following standards of dress:**

**Women and girls**—A suitable hat or veil should be used, that covers at least the crown of the head (I Cor. 11:5, 6, 10). No slacks, no sleeveless, revealing, or low-cut clothing (the Marylike Crusade's standard is that a dress be not cut more than two fingers' width below pit of throat). Dresses & skirts should cover knees when you are standing or sitting, and not have long slits in them. Strapless or spaghetti-strap clothing is always sinfully immodest and should never be worn. Please avoid "straight skirts" as well, since they are usually form-fitting and tight.

**Men and boys**—Suit coat and tie, dress slacks, or other formal attire. Jeans, shorts, "flip-flops," and other casual attire are inappropriate for church! Be sure to also avoid clothing with logos and/or large lettering, as these can be quite distracting. We welcome all our guests and visitors, and encourage you to read the blue pamphlet "Welcome to the Traditional Latin Mass" (available in the vestibule). It explains why we must completely avoid the modern Mass and liturgies introduced since Vatican II.

**ANYONE WHO ADHERES TO THE DOCTRINES OF FR. FEENEY IS BARRED FROM RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS IN THIS CHAPEL.** In the 1940's, Fr. Leonard Feeney S.J. promoted the heresy that there was no such thing as baptism of blood and baptism of desire. Fr. Feeney's teaching is contrary to the Universal Ordinary Magisterium of the Catholic Church. It was condemned in 1949 by the Holy Office. All Catholics are bound under pain of mortal sin to give assent to the teachings of the Holy Office. A number of lay people mistakenly adhere to this heresy, falsely thinking it is the teaching of the Catholic Church.

## Mass Schedule for the week of April 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Sun, April 2, 10:00 a.m. – Passion Sunday**

**10:00 Alabama** RIP Tom Girardi (Teresa & Bob Funke)

**6:00 p.m. Tennessee** RIP Erin Villa (Sullivan family)

**Mon, April 3, 8:30 a.m. – Monday in Passion Week**

For the conversion to the Faith of Mr. & Mrs. Rasool McCutchen (Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Loum)

**Tues, April 4, MASS IN LOUISIANA – St. Isidore**

For the conversion to the Faith of Mr. & Mrs. Rasool McCutchen (Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Loum)

**Wed, April 5, MASS IN LOUISIANA – St. Vincent Ferrer**

For the conversion to the Faith of Mr. & Mrs. Rasool McCutchen (Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Loum)

**Thurs, April 6, MASS IN GEORGIA – Thursday in Passion Week**

For the conversion to the Faith of Mr. & Mrs. Rasool McCutchen (Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Loum)

**Fri, April 7, 6:00 p.m. – Seven Sorrows BVM (FIRST FRIDAY)**

For the conversion to the Faith of Mr. & Mrs. Rasool McCutchen (Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Loum)

**7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross**

**Sat, April 8, 10:00 a.m. – Saturday in Passion Week**

RIP James Knoblach, Sr. (Don & Kathy Mullan)

**Sun, April 9, 10:00 a.m. – Palm Sunday**

RIP Jim Knoblach (Joey Phillips)

“To those who love more, He gives more suffering. To those who love less, less.” *Saint Therese of Lisieux (1873 – 1897)*

### **MORNING OF RECOLLECTION**

Saturday, April 8 there will be a morning of recollection as a preparation for Holy Week. After Mass there will be a sermon, followed by small refreshments with a table reading, then there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with extra confession time with Benediction ending sometime around 1:30. A spirit of silence is asked for the short morning of recollection.

### **MEMORIAL EASTER LILIES**

If you would like to have an Easter lily placed on the altar or side statues as a memorial to one or more departed loved ones, be sure to include their names along with your donation (PLEASE PRINT!) on sheet of paper or envelope. Their names and the donor names will be published in the Easter bulletin and the names of the departed will be on the altar and prayed for at every Mass for the Easter Season. A minimum donation of \$15 is requested for these Easter Lily memorials.

### **EASTER DUTY**

All Catholics are obliged under pain of mortal sin to receive Holy Communion worthily at least once during Easter time. Ideally, this takes place between Palm Sunday and Low Sunday, a two-week span. In the United States, however, concession was made so that the Easter Duty could be fulfilled any time between the 1st Sunday of Lent (March 6) and Trinity Sunday (June 11).

### **FATHER'S TRAVELS**

**April 2** Tennessee Mass & Sacraments

**April 4 – April 5** Louisiana Mass & Sacraments

**April 6** Georgia Mass & Sacraments

**April 20 – April 21** Augusta, GA Mass & Sacraments

**April 23 – April 24** Mississippi Mass & Sacraments

**April 30 – May 2** Kentucky Mass & Sacraments

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT CATECHISM**

Next Catechism class will be on Wednesday, April 26 at **6:00 p.m.**

### **HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION ON WEDNESDAY'S**

Next Holy Hour will be on Wednesday, April 26 at **7:00 p.m.**

### **PROSPECTIVE CONVERTS**

Anyone who is seeking to convert to the Catholic Church, please see Father to set up personal catechism teachings and begin the Catechumen process.

### **How to be Happy How to be Holy (Fr. Paul O'Sullivan) 1943**

#### **The Value of Small Things**

**The Value of Good Acts.** On the other hand, let us clearly understand that as every evil act, great or small, is in itself vicious and brings us such dire chastisement, so *every good act* has in itself an immense value and will bring with it a corresponding weight of glory in Heaven.

**The Good Thief** on the cross had led a life of great crime and wickedness, and confessed that he richly deserved the awful death of crucifixion, yet by one short act of sorrow: "Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom," he obtained full pardon for all his sins and merited to hear from Our Lord these

wondrous words: “*This day* wilt thou be with Me in Paradise.” Moreover, he became a saint and is known as St. Dismas.

**The Poor Publican**, weighed down with the heavy burden of many and grievous sins, was so conscious of his guilt that he dared not approach the holy part of the temple, but fell on his knees, struck his breast, bowed his head and said these few words: “God, have pity on me, a sinner.” By this simple act he received complete pardon for all his sins!

**The Widow’s Mite**. One day Our Blessed Lord was in the Temple on a feast day, and the princes of the people and the great and wealthy Jews came and cast rich alms into the treasury of the temple. At last a poor widow came and cast her mite, all she could afford, into the alms-box. Our Lord, who observed all that had passed, turned to His Apostles and said: “That poor woman has given more than all the rest.”

It is not the act – it is the intention of the giver that gives value to the action. Again, one may say that these are exceptional cases, but we answer, by no means. Similar rewards are being given every day for like small acts.

**Any alms** we give, no matter how small, and no matter to whom it is given, for love of God, will have a reward just as if we gave it to God Himself!

This He makes most abundantly clear, for He says: “When the good shall appear before Me, I will say to them: Come, ye blessed of My Father, take possession of the Kingdom prepared for you, for when I was hungry you gave Me to eat, when I was thirsty you gave Me to drink, when I was naked you clothed Me.

“And they will answer: But Lord, we never had the happiness of seeing You, of giving You to eat, or to drink, or of clothing You. I will reply: Every time you gave it to the least of My little ones, you gave it to Me.

“I will say to the wicked: Begone, ye accursed of My Father, for when I was hungry you gave Me not to eat, when thirsty you gave Me not to drink, when naked you did not clothe Me. And they will say: But Lord, we never saw You on earth, we never refused to give You to eat, to give You to drink, to clothe You. And I will say: Each time you refused it to the least of My poor, you refused it to Me. Begone from Me forever.”

Even if we give a **cup of cold water** to a poor man in God’s name, we shall have an eternal reward. That, too, is Christ’s promise.

**These promises are amply verified in the lives of the Saints**, for many times when they gave alms to the poor, Our Lord revealed to them that He considered the alms as given to Himself.

**St. Martin**, when a soldier and not yet a Christian, once gave half his military cloak to a poor man, as he had nothing else with him at the moment to give. That night Our Lord appeared to him clad in the cloak and said: “Martin the Catechumen gave Me this cloak.”

## **Closing Hymn after Mass: What a Sea of Tears and Sorrows**

1. What a sea of tears and sorrows,  
Did the soul of Mary toss  
To and fro upon its billows  
While she wept her bitter loss;  
In her arms her Jesus holding,  
Torn so newly from the Cross.

2. Oh, that mournful Virgin Mother,  
See her tears how fast they flow  
Down upon His mangled Body  
Wounded Side and thorny Brow;  
While His Hands and Feet she kisses,  
Picture of immortal woe.