

St. Benedict's Traditional Catholic Church

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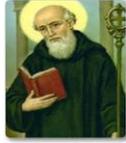
Laceys Spring, Alabama 35754

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.

PENANCE:	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 st 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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February 4, 2018 Church Website: 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 February 4th

Sun, February 4, 10:00 a.m. – Sexagesima Sunday

10:00 a.m. Alabama In honor of St. Philomena & St. Jude for a special intention (Mary L. Graham)

6:00 p.m. Georgia Private Intention (Fr. Oswalt)

Mon, February 5, 8:30 a.m. – St. Agatha

Ann Roberts (Miles)

Tues, February 6, MASS IN LOUISIANA – St. Titus (St. Dorothy)

RIP Bob Tarnowski & Holy Souls (Mary Tarnowski)

Wed, February 7, MASS IN LOUISIANA – St. Romuald

Herm & Joannie Sitzenstock & family (Mary Tarnowski)

Thurs, February 8, 8:30 a.m. – St. John of Matha

Ann Roberts (Sam & Alicia Liburdi)

Fri, February 9, 8:30 a.m. – St. Cyril of Alexandria (St. Apollonia)

Bill & Sharon McAllister & family, for their spiritual growth (Elberta Phillips)

Sat, February 10, 10:00 a.m. – St. Scholastica

Special Intention (John & Rita Dumbacher)

Sun, February 11, 10:00 a.m. – Quinquagesima Sunday

10:00 a.m. Alabama Ann Roberts (John & Rita Dumbacher)

6:00 p.m. Tennessee Private Intention (Fr. Oswalt)

“As a good gardener works from morning till night to destroy the weeds in his garden and fill it with flowers, so let us work every day to destroy the blemishes of our soul and adorn it with virtues.”
St. John Vianney (1786 – 1859)

SERVERS SIGN-UP

In the sacristy is the sign-up sheet for servers for February. Please sign-up as soon as possible for those servers who already serve. Those servers who are still learning, please let me know at your convenience when you can be at Mass, outside that of Sunday, where I can continue giving you lessons.

PREPARING FOR LENT

Without definite plans for this holy season, many graces will be squandered and lost! The laws of fast and abstinence imposed by the Church bind under pain of sin, but we should all take extra things upon ourselves. Here are some ideas, not only as to what to give up, but what to also do during this special season of the church year: **Things you could give up for Lent:** Programs from radio and other media Social Media and networking like Facebook, Favorite foods (pizza, ice cream, etc.), Computer use/gaming & blogging, Eating out at restaurants, Procrastination, Alcohol, Use of makeup, Soft drinks/cafeine/coffee, Smoking, Parties and celebrations, Working overtime unnecessarily, Other activities that tend to be addictive for you, Certain books/magazines (read instead ones that will help you grow spiritually). **Things to add during Lent:** Going to Mass more than once a week, getting up earlier to do so, Praying extra Rosaries (in addition to daily Rosary), Meditation on the Sufferings of Our Lord and Our Lady, Attending weekly Stations of the Cross, More time for personal and family prayer / silent time, Going to Confession more often, Volunteering, Works of Mercy, both Spiritual and Corporal, Making a greater effort to budget / Tithing.

FATHER'S TRAVELS

February 4 Georgia Mass and Sacraments

February 6 – February 7 Louisiana Mass and Sacraments

February 11 Tennessee Mass and Sacraments

February 18 – February 20 Kentucky Mass and Sacraments

February 25 – February 26 Mississippi Mass and Sacraments

NEXT CATECHISM CLASSES

Adult catechism – **Wednesday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m.**

Children's catechism – **Sunday, February 4 after Mass**

HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION ON WEDNESDAY'S

Next Holy Hour will be on Wednesday, **Feb. 21 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.

What Faith Really Means, A Simple Explanation (Fr. Henry Graham) 1914 **The True Meaning of Faith (con't); Chapter 2**

Take, for example, the Doctrine of the Blessed Trinity that in God there are three Persons, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, and yet there are not three Gods, but one God; the three Divine Persons are all one and the same God. The natural intelligence instinctively rebels against this; there is nothing like it in the sphere of Nature as known to us it is, in short, a mystery, that is, a truth which is above reason but revealed by God. If this doctrine came to us on merely human authority, we should certainly refuse to accept it.

Or, again, take the Incarnation the doctrine that the Infinite and Eternal God was for a period carried within the womb of a woman, and that the little Infant lying in the manger of the stable at Bethlehem, poor and helpless, was none other than the Omnipotent Creator of Heaven and earth! Or think of the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. Could the mind of man, unaided by God, take it in that that Sufferer, scourged, kicked, mocked, spat upon, reviled, sold for a price, was really the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity? that the Man nailed to the Cross, and hanging between Heaven and earth, bleeding and agonizing, the butt and sport of a vile rabble, and executed as a rebel, an outcast, and a blasphemer, was yet the Good God who loved us with an everlasting love?

Or, again, take the Blessed Sacrament : how could we ever believe that the small, round, White Thing which we call the Sacred Host, which has the appearance of bread, and which our senses touch and taste and sight tell us is bread, yet is not bread at all, but is the true Body and Blood of God the Son made Man, together with His soul and Divinity? that It is as really and truly Jesus Christ, God and Man, as was the Child in Blessed Mary's arms, or as the Savior upon the Cross, or as the Redeemer at God's right hand in heaven ? How could we believe that the Eternal God, " whom the Heaven of Heavens cannot contain," is yet confined within the tabernacle on the altar, enclosed within a small ciborium, or carried by a priest in a pocket -pyx ? Once more: take the eternity of Heaven and the eternity of Hell; our minds, *naturally*, cannot conceive it. Or, lastly, take the Resurrection of the Body the dogma that at the general judgment we shall rise again with the same bodies as we have now; that, no matter whether you have been burned to ashes, or become food for the fishes, or been devoured by wild beasts, or been reduced to dust in the grave, yet your body will be raised again and joined to your soul, and in body and soul reunited you will be found either in Heaven or in Hell. I repeat, that these and other doctrines of the Christian religion are simply incredible to a man without faith; he would not and could not accept them ; and, what is more, to many they have appeared not only incredible, but unreasonable, unnecessary, and absurd.

But so soon as you have faith you believe them, and have no difficulty in believing them. Faith is like a telescope. Astronomers tell us that on a clear night one can see with the naked eye about three thousand stars. But look through a powerful telescope, and you will see many millions. They were in the heavens all the time, but you could not discern them. So is it with the truths of the Christian religion. Many of them seem hard, difficult, impossible; faith comes, and at once you find it easy to believe them. As an example of what I mean, imagine two friends visiting a Catholic church the one a Catholic, the other a Protestant. So soon as they enter, the Catholic drops on his knee and remains for a moment or two in prayer; the other stands unmoved, gazes round him, and wonders what the Catholic is doing. What makes the difference in their mode of acting? The difference is that one has faith, the other has not. By faith the Catholic knows and believes that Our Blessed Lord is present on the altar, and consequently he genuflects and adores Him; the Protestant, without faith, neither knows nor believes in Our Lord's Presence. The first has the spiritual telescope, and discerns Our Divine Lord in the tabernacle, though under the appearance of bread; the second, destitute of such an instrument, neither knows, believes, nor recognizes Him. " There hath stood One in the midst of you Whom you know not."

Closing Hymn after Mass: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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| 1. Glory be to Jesus
Who in bitter Pains
Poured for me the life-Blood
From His sacred Veins. | 3. Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torment
Doth the world redeem |
| 2. Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind. | 4. Lift ye then your voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the Precious Blood. |