

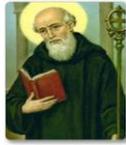
St. Benedict's Traditional Catholic Church

1139 U. S. 231
Laceys Spring, Alabama 35754

Roman Catholic

Traditional Latin Mass

The Religious Congregation of Mary Immaculate Queen (CMRI)
Bishop Mark Pivarunas 402-571-4404 www.cmri.org



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.

HOLY ORDERS: Please see Father if a man feels a calling towards the priesthood and would like information or a woman feels called to the religious life.

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January 24, 2016

Church Website: st-benedict-hsv.org

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.

Mass Schedule for the week of January 24th

Sun, January 24, – Septuagesima Sunday (St. Timothy)

In honor of the Holy Family & the needs & intentions of the Wayne Pivarunas family (Wayne Pivarunas)

Mon, January 25, NO MASS – Conversion of St. Paul

NO MASS IN ALABAMA

Tues, January 26, NO MASS – St. Polycarp

NO MASS IN ALABAMA

Wed, January 27, NO MASS – St. John Chrysostom

NO MASS IN ALABAMA

Thurs, January 28, NO MASS – St. Peter Nolasco

NO MASS IN ALABAMA

Fri, January 29, NO MASS – St. Francis de Sales

NO MASS IN ALABAMA

Sat, January 30, 10:00 a.m. – BVM Saturday (St. Martina)

RIP Poor Souls (Lisa Reiss)

Sun, January 31, 10:00 a.m. – Sexagesima Sunday (St. John Bosco)

RIP Poor Souls (Lisa Reiss)

“Our actions have a tongue of their own, they have an eloquence of their own, even when the tongue is silent. For deeds prove the lover more than words.” *St. Cyril of Jerusalem (315 – 386).*

“If we wish to make any progress in the service of God we must begin every day of our life with new ardor. We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end in all our actions but the divine honor.” *St. Charles Borromeo (1538 – 1584)*

NO MASS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

Due to the travel to Spokane this week there will be no Mass here in Alabama Monday through Friday. Mass will resume on Saturday, Jan. 30. If there be any emergencies whilst I am gone, please call me immediately at the number on the bulletin, 970-765-4714.

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all who so graciously help with so many things, not only for things of the parish, all the work done for cleaning, upkeep and financial support, but also for things for me personally, like taking care of the dogs when I am gone, giving me meals of such good food, help with expenses for travel and everything else. Certainly you have made my time since I have been here edifying and humbling at your generosity. May God reward your charity and your efforts.

FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION

The great Feast of the Purification, Candelmas Day, will be on Tuesday, Feb. 2. To try to encourage greater attendance, Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. There will be the blessing of candles, procession followed by High Mass.

CATECHISM RETURNS!

No catechism this week. Next catechism class is Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 6:00 p.m.

FATHER'S TRAVELS

Jan. 25 – Jan. 29 Spokane, WA for priest meeting

HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION ON WEDNESDAY'S

No Holy Hour this week. Next Holy Hour is Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7:00 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Due to the influx of Mass intentions the soonest opening for any more intentions is not until **MARCH**. Intentions will be written down in the order received.

Sermons of St. Alphonsus de Liguori On Avoiding Bad Company (continued)

3. But how, asks St. Ambrose, can bad companions give you the odor of chastity, when they exhale the stench of impurity? How can they infuse you with a deeper faith, when they spit in the face of the Church with their heresy, schism and apostasy? How can they infuse into you sentiments of devotion, when they themselves fly from it? How can they impart to you a shame of offending God, when they cast it away? St Augustine writes of himself, that when he associated with bad companions, who boasted of their wickedness, he felt himself impelled to sin without shame; and to appear like them, he gloried in his evil actions. Hence Isaias admonishes you to “touch no unclean thing.” Isa 50, 11. Touch not what is unclean: if you do, you too shall be polluted. He that handles pitch, says Ecclesiasticus, shall certainly be defiled with it; and they who keep company with the proud, shall be clothed with pride. The same holds for other vices: “He that toucheth pitch, shall be

defiled with it; and he that hath fellowship with the proud, shall put on pride.” Eccl 13, 1.

4. What then must we do? The Wise Man tells us, that we ought not only to avoid the vices of the wicked, but also to beware of treading in the ways in which they walk. “Restrain thy foot from their paths.” Prov 1, 15. That is, we should avoid their conversations, their discourses, their feasts, and all the allurements and presents with which they will seek to entice us into their net. “My son,” says Solomon, “if sinners shall entice thee, consent not to them.” Prov 1, 10. Without the decoy, birds are not enticed into the fowler’s net. “Will the bird fall into the snare upon the earth, if there be no fowler?” Amos 3, 5. The Devil employs vicious friends as decoys, to draw so many souls into the snare of sin. “My enemies,” says Jeremias, “have chased me, and have caught me like a bird without cause.” Lam 3, 52. He says, *without cause*. Ask the wicked why they have made a certain innocent young man fall into sin; and they will answer: We have done it *without cause*; we only wish to see him do what we ourselves do. This, says St. Ephrem, is one of the artifices of the Devil: when he has caught a soul in his net, he makes him a snare, or a decoy, to deceive others.

5. Hence it is necessary to avoid, as you would a plague, all familiarity with those scorpions of Hell. I have said that you must avoid *familiarity* with them – that is, all fellowship in their banquets and conversations; for, never to meet them is, as the Apostle says, impossible. “Otherwise you must needs go out of this world.” I Cor 5, 10. But, it is in our power to abstain from familiar intercourse with them. “But now I have written to you, not to keep company, etc...with such an one, not so much as to eat.” I Cor 5, 11. I have called them *scorpions*: so they have been called by the Prophet Ezechiel. “Thou art among unbelievers and destroyers, and thou dwellest among scorpions.” Ezech 2, 6. Would you live in the midst of scorpions? You must then fly from scandalous friends, who, by their bad examples and words, poison your soul. “A man’s enemies shall be they of his own household.” Matt 10, 36. Wicked friends that are very familiar and intimate with us, become the most pernicious enemies of our souls. “Who,” says Ecclesiasticus, “will pity an enchanter struck by a serpent, or any that come near wild beasts? So it is with him that keepeth company with a wicked man.” Eccl 12, 13. If the man that makes free with serpents, or with ferocious wild beasts, be bitten or devoured by them, who will take pity on him? And so it is with him who associates with scandalous companions; if, by their bad example, he be contaminated and lost, neither God nor man will have compassion on him; because he was cautioned to fly from their society.

Closing Hymn after Mass:

1. Glory be to Jesus
Who in bitter Pains
Poured for me the life-Blood
From His sacred Veins.

2. Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind.

Glory Be To Jesus

3. Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torment
Doth the world redeem

4. Lift ye then your voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the Precious Blood.