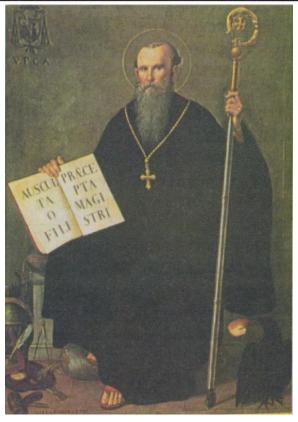
# St. Menedict's Traditional Catholic Church

1139 U.S. 231 Laceys Spring, Alabama 35754

Roman Catholic

Traditional Latin Mass



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### Mass Schedule for the week of January 25<sup>th</sup>

- Sun, Jan. 25, 10:00 a.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany RIP Mabel Higginbotham (Luke Higginbotham)
- Mon, Jan. 26, 8:30 a.m. St. Polycarp Special Intention (D. Maguire)
- Tues, Jan. 27, 8:30 a.m. St. John Chrysostom Special Intention (D. Maguire)
- Wed, Jan. 28, 8:30 a.m. St. Peter Nolasco Special Intention (D. Maguire)
- Thurs, Jan. 29, 8:30 a.m. St. Francis de Sales Special Intention (D. Maguire)
- Fri, Jan. 30, 8:30 a.m. St. Martina Special Intention (D. Maguire)
- Sat, Jan. 31, 10:00 a.m. St. John Bosco RIP Jane Glynn (Bob Glynn)
- Sun, Feb. 1, 10:00 a.m. Septuagesima Sunday

  For my protection, health & for the work Our Lord wants me to do (Anthony Bronson)

"It's not the actual physical exertion that counts towards a man's progress, nor the nature of the task, but the spirit of faith with which it is undertaken." --- St. Francis Xavier (1506 -1552)

#### FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION

Monday, Feb. 2 is the Feast of the Purification. There will be the blessing of candles, distribution of candles and procession followed by a High Mass for this great feast of our Lady. Mass will be the normal time of 8:30, so what a great beginning of these pre-Lenten days to draw down great graces by attendance at this Mass if one is able.

#### LAST YEARS PALMS FROM PALM SUNDAY

If you have palms from last Palm Sunday, I would appreciate it if you would give them to me so I can have enough to burn for ashes for Ash Wednesday. Otherwise I will ask another chapel if they could spare some to send.

#### **CALENDARS**

The traditional Catholic calendar has arrived and available for sale.

#### **BE INFORMED! CLASSES ON THE NOVUS ORDO**

Catechism Class is on Wednesday Jan. 28 at 6:00 p.m.

## HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION EVERY WEDNESDAY

Holy Hour is on Wednesday Jan. 28 at 7:00 p.m.

#### CONFESSIONS

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

#### PARISH SICK

Please pray for these parishioners who are greatly ailing and in need of your prayers: Al Krebsbach

### The Way of Salvation (St. Alphonsus de Liguori) The Practice of Patience (con't)

If our sickness be dangerous, then especially must we accept it with all patience, being willing to die should the end of our life be really at hand. Nor should we say: "But I am not now prepared; I should like to live a little longer to do penance for my sins." And how do you know that if you were to live on you would do penance, and would not fall into greater sins? How many there are who, after recovering from some mortal illness, have become worse than they were before, and have been lost; while, perhaps, if they had died then, they would have been saved! If it is the will of God that you should leave this world, unite yourself to His holy will, and thank Him for allowing you the help of the holy Sacraments, and accept death with tranquility, abandoning yourself into the arms of His mercy. This compliance with the divine will, by accepting death, will be sufficient to insure your eternal salvation.

In the second place, we must accept also with patience the death of our relatives and friends. Some on the death of a relative are so inconsolable, that they leave off saying their prayers, frequenting the sacraments, and all their devotions. Such a one goes so far as even to be angry with God, and to say: "Lord, why hast Thou done this?" What rashness is this! Tell me, what does all your grief profit you? Do you perhaps think to do pleasure to the dead person? No; what you are doing is displeasing to him as well as to God. He desires that, with regard to his death, you should become more united with God, and should pray for him if he is in purgatory.

In the third place, let us accept the poverty which God sends us. When you are in want even of the necessaries of life, say: "My God, Thou alone art sufficient for me." One such act will gain treasures for us in paradise. He who possesses God has every good. In the same way let us embrace with patience the loss of property, the failure of our expectations, or even the loss of those who were helping us. Let us be resigned at such times to the will of God, and God will help us; and if He should not then help us as we should wish, let us be content with whatever He may do, because He will do it to try our patience, that He may enrich us with greater merits and the goods of heaven.

In the fourth place, we must accept patiently contempt and persecutions. You will say: "But what evil have I done, that I should be so persecuted? Why have I had to suffer such an affront?" My brother, go and say this to Jesus Christ on the cross, and He will answer: "And I, what have I done, that I should have to suffer such sorrow and ignominy, and this death of the cross?" If, then, Jesus Christ has suffered so much for the love of you, it is no great thing that you should suffer this little for the love of Jesus Christ. Particularly if you have ever during your life committed some grievous sin, think that you deserve to be in hell, where you would have to suffer much greater contempt and persecution from the devils. If also you should be persecuted for having done good, rejoice exceedingly. Hear what Jesus Christ says: *Blessed are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake.* – Matt. 5, 10. Let us be convinced of the truth of what the Apostle says, that he who would live united with Jesus Christ in this world must be persecuted. (con't next Sunday)