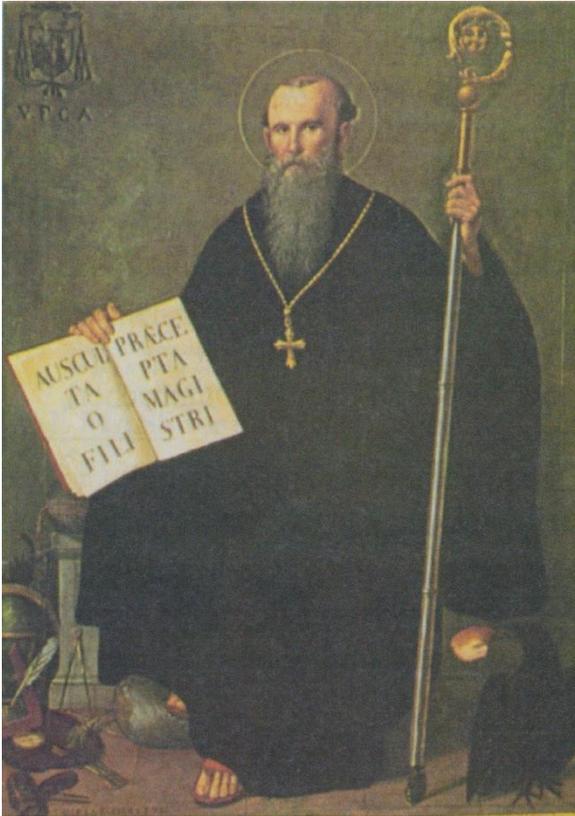


St. Benedict's Traditional Catholic Church

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Roman Catholic

Traditional Latin Mass



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Mass Schedule for the week of January 4th

Sun, Jan. 4, 10:00 a.m. – Holy Name of Jesus

RIP Fr. Manuel Da Fonseca Moreira (Lucy Moreira)

Mon, Jan. 5, 8:30 a.m. – Feria (St. Telesphorus)

Lorrie Ochoa (Knight)

Tues, Jan. 6, 8:30 a.m. – Epiphany of Our Lord

Special Intention (Joey Philips)

Wed, Jan. 7, 8:30 a.m. – Feria (St. Lucian)

Bill Caldwell (Joey Philips)

Thurs, Jan. 8, 8:30 a.m. – Feria (St. Apollinaris)

Special Intention (Joey Philips)

Fri, Jan. 9, 8:30 a.m. – Feria (St. Julian)

Souls in Purgatory (N. Knight)

Sat, Jan. 10, 10:00 a.m. – Feria (St. William)

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**Sun, Jan. 11, 10:00 a.m. – Holy Family Sunday (1st Sunday
after Epiphany)**

Intentions of Sherman & Mary Graham & family
(Tim Knight)

“He who does not give up prayer cannot possibly continue to offend God habitually. Either he will give up prayer, or he will stop sinning.” --- *St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787)*

CALENDARS

I ordered 30 Traditional Catholic Calendars from CMRI which should arrive this week. Cost will be posted by the calendars. For future reference, anyone in need of any religious items, calendars, medals, books etc. etc. can order them directly from CMRI at Mary Immaculate Queen Center, 509-467-1077, www.miqcenter.com, orders@miqcenter.com. Phone or internet orders are welcome.

BE INFORMED! CLASSES ON THE NOVUS ORDO

Catechism Class is on Wednesday Jan. 7 at 6:00 p.m.

HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION EVERY WEDNESDAY

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

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Although this major feast of our Lord is not a Holy Day of obligation, nonetheless how appropriate for us descendants of the Gentiles as represented by the Magi to attend this Holy Mass. Blessing of chalk will take place after Mass and the blessed chalk will be available for all to take home. The written formula used to write over the door frames for this year is: G + 20 + M + 15 + B

FATHER'S TRAVEL

Monday Jan. 12 – Friday Jan. 16 I will be in Spokane, Washington for the annual winter priest meeting. There will be no Masses in Alabama. However, I am looking for a handful of people who would be willing to sign up on a schedule to come to the Church during that time to let my dogs out, a little exercise and feed and water them. They will stay in the apartment here. See me if interested as I can give instructions on what to do and when you are available. Thank you for your generosity.

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 st Friday	5:15 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
Holy Day	30 minutes before Mass

The Way of Salvation (St. Alphonsus de Liguori)
The Practice of Humility (con't from last Sunday)

The humility of the *will* consists in being pleased when we are despised by others. Anyone who has deserved hell, deserves to be trodden under foot by the devils forever. Jesus Christ desires that we should learn of Him to be meek and humble of heart: *Learn from Me, because I am meek and humble of heart.* – Matt. 11, 29. Many are humble in word, but not in heart. They say, “I am worse than all: I deserve a thousand hells.” But when anyone reproves them, or says a word that displeases them, they immediately resent it. They are like hedgehogs, which put out their bristles as soon as they are touched. But how is it – you say you are worse than all, and yet you cannot hear a word? “He who is truly humble,” says St. Bernard, “esteems himself good for nothing, and desires to be considered good for nothing by others as well.”

In the first place, then, if you wish to be truly humble, when you receive an admonition, receive it in good part, and thank the person who admonishes you. St. Chrysostom says: “When the just man is corrected, he is sorry for the error he has committed; but the proud man is sorry that the error should be known.” The saints, when they are accused, even wrongfully, do not justify themselves, except when to defend themselves is necessary to avoid giving scandal; otherwise they are silent, and offer all to God.

In the second place, when you receive any affront, suffer it patiently, and increase in love towards the person who has ill-treated you. This is the touchstone by which you may know whether a person is humble and holy. If he resents an injury, even though he may work miracles, you may say that he is an empty reed. Father Balthazar Alvarez said that the time of humiliation is the time to gain treasures of merits. You will gain more by peaceably suffering contempt, than you could do by fasting ten days on bread and water. Humiliations which we inflict on ourselves are good; but those which we accept from the hands of others are worth much more, because in these last there is less of self and more of God; therefore, when we know how to bear them the merit is greater. But what can a Christian pretend to do if he cannot bear to be despised for the sake of God? How much contempt did not Jesus Christ suffer for us! Buffetings, derisions, scourging, and spitting in His face! Ah! If we loved Jesus Christ, not only should we not show resentment for injuries, but we should rejoice at seeing ourselves despised as Jesus Christ was despised.