

OF HUMILITY

In today's world, humility, as required by a child of God, is a disease, and all the opposites of this virtue are what the man on the street admires.

Humility is a most necessary virtue, and has been exemplified by all the saints, beginning with Jesus Christ Himself and His Blessed Mother Mary and St. Joseph. It is a disposition of the heart of the lover – not an operation of the mind, nor is it brought into existence simply by an intellectual determination. Humility is the result of the pure love found in the hearts of the children of God. It is freely given – it is never forced. Forced humility is transparent and clearly shows forth the true condition of one's mental stratagems.

True humility is felt rather than seen by the beholder. Humility inspires trust. On the other hand, false humility is quite easily seen through and inspires distrust. False humility is indispensable for survival in the world's menagerie. True humility is the proper vesture worn by the children of God. □



OUR CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOU –

The 10:00 AM (C.S.T.) Mass on Christmas Morning will be offered for the following intentions:

- 1) For the welfare of all our benefactors and oblates and for those who have contributed toward, and those who continue to contribute toward, the support of our Abbey Church, our Monasteries, and our religious life.
- 2) For the welfare of all those to whom we have promised our prayers and who have asked us for our prayers.
- 3) For the welfare of all those who are on the Abbey's mailing list, and who, because of that, are lovingly remembered among the members of our Benedictine Family.

**MAY GOD KEEP YOU
ONE AND ALL!**