

-Christmas..dominated the last three months of the year.

And with these virtually every Sunday had some special designation.

(2) Sacred ideal:

-Veneration of saints

-Relics

-personal angels.

(3) Sacred practices:

-the sign!

-baptism

-eucharist

-pilgrimages

-sacred services (in church!)

-the Marian ideals

Suffice it to say all of this worked together to make the community a homogeneous mass. To it is added a great mass of superstition..and it grows over the years. It should shout a warning to us in the events of our times but, alas, history is only studied in class and not practiced in the church.

D. A Glimpse of the Ongoing Trials

1. The Church/State development
2. The Holy Roman Empire
3. The Investiture controversy

and I think we can pause here and wait breathlessly for the next portion of our course.