

The Oblates of the Virgin Mary at SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL

Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 17, 2018



National Cathedral, Washington D.C.

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM en español; Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 1:15 PM en español, 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 PM

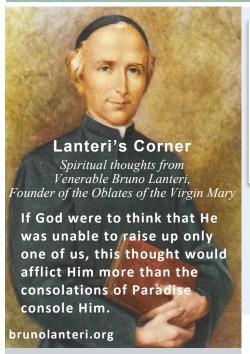
Confessions: Monday - Friday 11:15 -11:50 AM, 12:45 - 4:15 PM; Saturday 9:45 - 11:45 AM, 12:45 - 3:30 PM

<u>Devotions:</u> Tuesday after Mass: Memorare, 5:30 p.m. Vespers; Thursday after Mass: St. Jude; Monday -Friday after 4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosary

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon. - Fri. 8:30-11:45 AM, 1:00-4:30 PM; Saturday 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 12:30 - 3:30 PM; Sunday 2:30-3:30 PM

Gift Shop Hours: Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM; Thurs. - closed; Sat. 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM*; Sun. 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM* (*Closed during Sunday Masses and Saturday Vigil Masses)

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Is God calling you to join the Oblates of the Virgin Mary?



Contact our Vocation Director Fr. John Luong, OMV at frjohnomv@gmail.com or visit omvusa.org

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THE **OBLATES** OF THE **VIRGIN MARY** AT ST. FRANCIS **CHAPEL**

Save the Date! 35th Anniversary Celebration September 12 5:30 PM Mass followed by a reception at the Sheraton Hotel

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Our Lady Around the World

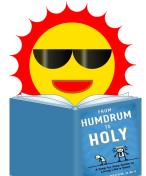


Our Blessed Mother is celebrated all around the world under a variety of customs. We invite everyone to

share how you celebrate the Virgin Mary in your culture, or if you plan to travel to share photos and stories of how Our Lady is venerated around the world, on our website and social media.



The Chapel Gift Shop Item of the Week...



Books for Summer Reading

Soak in the sun while reading a good book! Choose from our many titles in English and Spanish.



"I WANT TO GIVE"

- · Visit stfrancischapel.org and click on the 'donate' button
- Text the word CHAPEL, leave a space and then the dollar amount to 617-209-2779
- Make a one-time or recurring donation through the giving kiosk in the chapel entrance



SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND

We make this appeal to you to participate in the Chapel's transformation through funding, prayer and suggestions. Please use the special envelopes found in the chapel entrance for this purpose. You may also use the giving kiosk in the entrance or visit **stfrancischapel.org**, click on the Donate button and enter "renovation" in the Special Instructions box.

> Thank you and God bless you for all you do in helping the mission.



A Reflection for the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time by Br. Paul Kallal, OMV



A usual part of telling my vocation story is describing where I am from. The simplest method of describing my hometown, Jerseyville, Illinois, is to ask people to imagine that St Francis Chapel is surrounded by endless fields of agriculture and pastures as opposed to the numerous stores within the Prudential center and the countless concrete buildings that line Boylston Street.

The Gospel for this weekend, the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, reminds me of Jerseyville and the many surrounding corn fields, as well as our pilgrimage to our ultimate home, Heaven. In the Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a seed, which after it is sown,



grows and sprouts, forming a blade, an ear, the full grain, then finally becomes ripe for the harvest. For me, I automatically equate the seed as a seed of corn. It is actually quite contemplative to watch a seed of corn grow into a fully mature stalk ready for harvesting. When the seed sprouts and breaks the surface of the soil, it develops two blades and progressively grows from a few centimeters to a height of about six feet in four months. During this time period, a single ear of corn develops and eventually the stalk tops out, which triggers the preparations for the final stages of ripening. All of this growth, though visible over an expanded period of time, remains invisible to the naked eye. It truly is a mystery. Though the farmer fertilizes the soil and plants the seed, its growth is ultimately dependent upon the mercy of God, who through Divine Providence, orders the sun and rain to nourish the growth of the seed.

We are not much different from the seed in the Gospel. Created in the image and likeness of God, we are all born with the darkness of original sin, much like the seed is originally sowed in the darkness of the earth. Yet, just as the seed sprouts and grows out of the darkness and into the sunlight, we too, through the powers of baptism, overcome the darkness of original sin and enter light of the Son. On our pilgrimage, Jesus remains the invisible power and strength that stimulates our growth throughout our Christian lives. This is why we need the Church and especially the sacraments. Both are visible manifestations of the invisible power of Jesus Christ which sustain and nourish our growth during our pilgrimage towards Heaven. Just as the seed develops a blade, an ear, the grain, and becomes ripe for the harvest. The power of Christ, through the Church and sacraments, help us to grow and develop as adopted sons of God in faith, hope, and charity: with the ultimate goal of making us

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 17

8:00 AM + Philip & + Celia McDevitt

9:15 AM Vincent Romano 10:30 AM + Dominic Mariotti 11:45 AM + Mary DeSesa

1:15 PM (esp) + Arturo Gallego y + Adela

Gomez

4:00 PM Souls in Purgatory 5:30 PM Souls in Purgatory

Monday, June 18

8:00 AM + Carol Scollins 12:05 PM John Valleli — health 4:45 PM + Judith Cecilia Agudelo

Tuesday, June 19

8:00 AM Emily Krueckeberg 12:05 PM + Raymond Reich 4:45 PM + Craig Ruiter

Wednesday, June 20

8:00 AM + Gina Gordon 12:05 PM Hiwet — thanksgiving 4:45 PM + Gerard Horgan

Thursday, June 21

8:00 AM Fr. Ed Broom, OMV
12:05 PM Vivian McGann — birthday
4:45 PM + Augustin Jin & + Veronica

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Friday, June 22

8:00 AM Theresa Albright
12:05 PM Fr. Ed Broom, OMV
4:45 PM + Cardinal Law

Saturday, June 23

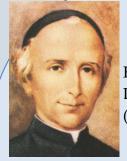
9:00 AM Fr. Ed Broom, OMV 12:00 PM + Fr. Greg Staab, OMV

4:00 PM + Marie Griffin 5:30 PM + Jesus Jaramillo 7:00 PM (esp) + Adelina Pallais

of God in faith, hope, and charity; with the ultimate goal of making us ripe for the Kingdom of Heaven when our harvester, Jesus Christ, calls us to our eternal home.

While we are in the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, this weekend's Gospel reminds us that nothing in the life of Christ and the Church is "ordinary," but rather extraordinary. Both the Church and the sacraments are gifts from Christ who desires us to dwell with Him in eternal life. Let us pray for a deeper appreciation and love for both the Church and the sacraments, recognizing our need for these gifts in our daily, Christian lives. As always, may the Lord continue to bless, keep, heal, and protect you. May He let His radiant face shine upon you today, tomorrow, and all the days of your life. Amen!

Oblates of the Virgin Mary—USA



Fr. Bruno Lanteri (1759-1830)

The Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary.

Declared "Venerable" the first step to
Sainthood.

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The US Province of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary is dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola, and includes communities in Massachusetts, Illinois, Colorado, California and the Philippines.

The OMV US Province House is at St. Clement's in Boston.

