

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

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If you are interested in joining our choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on Saturdays, please email Kim at

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If you are interested in joining our choir for the 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays, please email Michael at

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:
Sat. 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

<u>Weekday Masses:</u> Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 PM

Confessions:

Mon. - Fri. 11:15 -11:50 AM, 12:45 - 4:15 PM; Saturday 9:45 - 11:45 AM, 12:45 - 3:30 PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass:
Memorare,
5:30 p.m. Vespers;
Thursday after Mass:
St. Jude;
Monday -Friday after
4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosarv

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., Wed., Thurs., Fri.
10:00 AM - 5:30 PM;
Tuesday - 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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Pope Benedict XVI on Life...

"We are well aware that all too often ... life is exalted as long as it is pleasurable, but there is a tendency to no longer respect it as soon as it is sick or handicapped. Based on deep love for every person it is possible instead to put into practice effective forms of service to life: to newborn life and life marked by marginalization or suffering, especially in its terminal phase. The Virgin Mary received with perfect love the Word of life, Jesus Christ, who came into the world so that human beings might "have life... abundantly" (Jn 10: 10). Let us entrust to her expectant mothers, families, health-care workers and volunteers who are committed in so many ways to the service of life. Let us pray in particular for people in the most difficult situations" (Angelus, February 5, 2006).



ST. JOHN PAUL II
NOVENA MASS
CARDS
are now available at the chapel entrance

Enroll your loved ones in a novena of Masses in honor of St. John Paul II beginning on October 14. Feast day: October 22

THE BABY BOTTLE IS BACK!

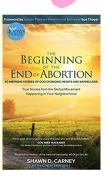
October is Respect Life Month. If you would like to help a mom in need, please make a donation to our Baby Bottle Campaign in the chapel entrance.

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The Chapel Gift Shop Item of the Week...

The Beginning of the End of Abortion: 40 Inspiring Stories of God Changing Hearts and Saving Lives

Author Shawn Carney takes you on a heartfelt journey to the darkest corners of our culture to share what many don't see -- hope. The Beginning of the End of Abortion is a fast-paced journey through forty true stories that demonstrate how prayer saves lives, changes hearts, and transforms communities ... and nations.



PROCLAMATION OF ST THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS AND THE HOLY FACE AS A "DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH"

HOMILY OF POPE JOHN PAUL II

Sunday, 19 October 1997

Everyone thus realizes that today something surprising is happening. St Thérèse of Lisieux was unable to attend a university or engage in systematic study. She died young: nevertheless, from this day forward she will be honored as a doctor of the Church, an outstanding recognition which raises her in the esteem of the entire Christian community far beyond any academic title.

Indeed, when the Magisterium proclaims someone a doctor of the Church, it intends to point out to all the faithful, particularly to those who perform in the Church the fundamental service of preaching or who undertake the delicate task of theological teaching and research, that the doctrine professed and proclaimed by a certain person can be a reference point, not only because it conforms to revealed truth, but also because it sheds new light on the mysteries of the faith, a deeper understanding of Christ's mystery.

Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face is the youngest of all the "doctors of the Church", but her ardent spiritual journey shows such maturity, and the insights of faith expressed in her writings are so vast and profound that they deserve a place among the great spiritual masters.

In the Apostolic Letter which I wrote for this occasion, I stressed several salient aspects of her doctrine. But how can we fail to recall here what can be considered its high point, starting with the account of the moving discovery of her special vocation in the Church? "Charity", she wrote, "gave me the key to my vocation. I understood that if the Church had a body composed of different members, the most necessary and most noble of all could not be lacking to it, and so I understood that the Church had a heart and that this heart was burning with love. I understood that it was love alone that made the Church's members act, that if love were ever extinguished, apostles would not proclaim the Gospel and martyrs would refuse to shed their blood. I understood that love includes all vocations.... Then in the excess of my delirious joy, I cried out: "O Jesus, my Love ... at last I have found my vocation; my vocation is Love!" (Ms B, 3v°). This is a wonderful passage which suffices itself to show that one can apply to St. Thérèse the Gospel passage we heard in the Liturgy of the Word: "I thank you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to babes" (Mt 11: 25).

Thérèse of Lisieux did not only grasp and describe the profound truth of Love as the center and heart of the Church, but in her short life she lived it intensely. It is precisely this *convergence of doctrine and concrete experience*, of truth and life, of teaching and practice, which shines with particular brightness in this saint, and which makes her an attractive model especially for young people and for those who are seeking true meaning for their life.

Before the emptiness of so many words, Thérèse offers another solution, the one Word of salvation which, understood and lived in silence, becomes a source of renewed life. She counters a rational culture, so often overcome by practical materialism, with the disarming simplicity of the "little way" which, by returning to the essentials, leads to the secret of all life: the divine Love that surrounds and penetrates every human venture. In a time like ours, so frequently marked by an ephemeral and hedonistic culture, this new doctor of the Church proves to be remarkably effective in enlightening the mind and heart of those who hunger and thirst for truth and love.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 30

8:00 AM Jaqueline Joseph —

thanksgiving

9:15 AM + Conor Shea

10:30 AM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

11:45 AM + Johanna Doran

1:15 PM (esp) Laura Catalina Perez — salud

4:00 PM + Leo G. Fedette

5:30 PM Michael & Carmel Farrell

Monday, October 1

8:00 AM + Josephine Altieri

12:05 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

4:45 PM + Marisa Donatelli

Tuesday, October 2

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Gabriel

12:05 PM + Ann Hegarty

4:45 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

Wednesday, October 3

8:00 AM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

12:05 PM + Margaret Doherty 4:45 PM + Hortense L. Chagnon

Thursday, October 4

8:00 AM + Margaret Doherty

12:05 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena 4:45 PM + Frank & Genevieve Palermo

Friday, October 5

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:05 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

4:45 PM St. Faustina Novena

Saturday, October 6

9:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00 PM + Mary Grover

4:00 PM Cyril & Marie D'Souza — health

5:30 PM + Hernando Castillo 7:00 PM (esp) + Guido Viatisio

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

October 1: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Virgin and Doctor of the Church

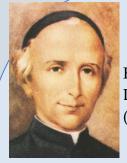
October 2: The Holy Guardian Angels

October 4: St. Francis of Assisi
Patron of Animals, Merchants & Ecology

October 5: St. Faustina Kowalska Marian Saint of Mercy

October 6: St. Bruno
Priest

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. The Oblates of the Virgin Mary is an international religious community of priests and brothers serving in Italy, France, Austria, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Nigeria, the United States and the Philippines. The Oblates are involved in retreat and parish missions, spiritual direction, parish work, the mass media, clergy formation, and the foreign missions.

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.

