

# The Oblates of the Virgin Mary at SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

Second Sunday of Advent — December 9, 2018

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Saturday, December 15

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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

Weekday Masses: 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: 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., 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 and Saturday Vigil Masses)

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To help us better manage our offertory collection and for the convenience of our regulars, we are making weekly offertory envelopes available. If you would like an offertory envelope sent to you on a regular basis, please fill out one of the blue cards in the chapel entrance and drop it off at the Gift Shop. Thank you for your continued support!

## Lanteri's Corner

Spiritual thoughts from Venerable Bruno Lanteri, Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary

Remember that the truly humble one, falling in some failure, repents sincerely, but at the same time thanks God for not having done something worse.

#### brunolanteri.org

#### 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

CHAPEL STAFF

Fr. James Doran, OMV (director@stfrancischapel.org)

Fr. Robert Lowrey, OMV

Music Ministry: Director: Rebecca Martin Kim Araiza Joanna Vasquez Robert Conley Justin Salisbury Saul Garcia Michael Enwright Christina Smith James Agolia

Cleaning of Chapel Environment: Nubia Viasus

If you are interested in joining our choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on Saturdays, please email Kim at Rehearsals are at 4:45 PM



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



Healing the Wounds that Hold Us Back From a More **Abundant Life** Join us Monday, December 17 at 6:00 pm for this inspiring talk by Fr. Shawn Monahan, OMV

"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." — John 10:10

#### <u> The Chapel Gift Shop</u> Item of the Week...

Handmade votive candles featuring the Immaculate Heart and Sacred Heart Madonna and Child from the Painting in the Chapel. \$6.99 each or two for \$11



The Christmas Giving Tree Is now up at the entrance of the Chapel! This year. Your gifts will benefit the Back Bay Mobile Soup Kitchen and The Friends of the Unborn Please take an ornament, purchase the gift requested, and return the unwrapped gift to the Gift Shop. Thank you for your generosity!



# If you are now considering your **end-of-the-year charitable giving**, we humbly ask you to consider **St. Francis Chapel**.

It costs us over \$50,000 a month to stay open. We gratefully appreciate your prayerful consideration.

# The Miracle of Our Lady of Guadalupe

On December 9, 1531, St. Juan Diego, a native of Mexico, was in a hurry to make it to Mass and celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. However, he was stopped by the beautiful sight of a radiant woman who introduced herself, in his native tongue, as the "ever-perfect holy Mary, who has the honor to be the mother of the true God."

[Mary asked Juan Diego] to make a request to the local bishop. She wanted them to build a chapel in her honor there on Tepeyac Hill, which was the site of a former pagan temple.

[After the bishop asked for proof od the apparition,] Juan Diego went straight to Tepeyac and, once again, encountered the Virgin Mary. After explaining to her what the Bishop asked, she agreed and told him she'd provide him with proof on the next day, December 11.

However, on the next day, Juan Diego's uncle became very sick and he was obligated to stay and care for him. Juan Diego set out the next to find a priest for his uncle. He was determined to get there quickly and didn't want to face the Virgin Mary with shame for missing the previous day's meeting.

But the Virgin Mary intercepted him and asked what was wrong. He explained his situation and promised to return after he found his uncle a priest.

She looked at him and asked "No estoy yo aqui que soy tu madre?" (Am I not here, I who am your mother?) She promised him his uncle would be cured and asked him to climb to the hill and collect the flowers growing there. He obeyed and found many flowers blooming in December on the rocky land. He filled his tilma (cloak) with flowers and returned to Mary.

The Virgin Mary arranged the flowers within his cloak and told him this would be the sign he is to present to the bishop. Once Juan Diego found the bishop, he opened his cloak and the bishop was presented with a miraculous imprinted image of the Virgin Mary on the flower-filled cloak.

— From catholic.org



The Second Sunday of Advent:

**Prayer Before Mass** 

Why Do We Do That? Lord, have mercy—No Glory to God

Daily Offering by Venerable Bruno Lanteri

Catechesis: New Year of Grace

Lectio Divina

The Catholic Way: The Sacrament of Baptism

The Friends of God: St. John of the Cross

# MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK Sunday, December 9

8:00 AM	+ Dolores Uglietto
9:15 AM	+ Mary McDevitt
10:30 AM	+ Eolin A. Cappiccille
11:45 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory
1:15 PM (esp)	+ Maria Ines Suarez
4:00 PM	John Valleli — health
5:30 PM	Fr. Omar Loggiodice

#### Monday, December 10

8:00 AM	Richard & Carol McCulloch—
	health
12:05 PM	+ William McCahill Jr.
4:45 PM	+ Mary G. Maciora - Jacobs

#### Tuesday, December 11

8:00 AM	+ Eolin A. Cappiccille
12:05 PM	+ Marilyn Welle
4:45 PM	+ Felix & + Victoria Maciora

#### Wednesday, December 12

8:00 AM	+ Edward G. Picardi
12:05 PM	+ Boslan Gultom
4:45 PM	Guadalupe Torres

#### Thursday, December 13

8:00 AM	Sarah Thomas
12:05 PM	Nancy —birthday
4:45 PM	+ Joseph G. & Mary A. Maciora

#### Friday, December 14

8:00 AM	+ Mary & + Helen Corkery
12:05 PM	+ Lucille Foley
4:45 PM	Alex & Valentina — wellbeing

#### Saturday, December 15

9:00 AM 12:00 PM	Fr. Solomon — health Richard & Carol McCulloch—
	health
	+ Kathleen Farrell

4:00 PM + Kathleen Farrell 5:30 PM + Sharon Kelly 7:00 PM (esp) Olga Torres — cumpleaños

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

December 11: St. Damasus I Pope

December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 13: St. Lucy Virgin & Martyr

December 14: St. John of the Cross Priest and Doctor of the Church

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