

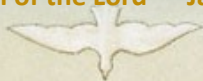


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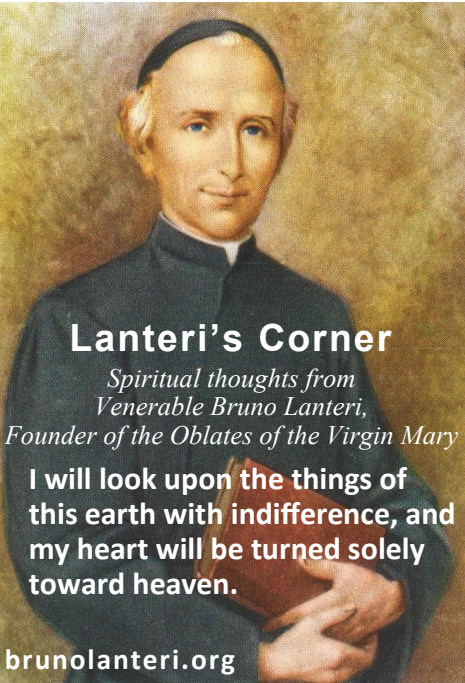
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Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

The Baptism of the Lord — January 13, 2019



The Baptism of Christ, Grigory Gagarin



Lanteri's Corner
*Spiritual thoughts from
 Venerable Bruno Lanteri,
 Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary*

**I will look upon the things of
 this earth with indifference, and
 my heart will be turned solely
 toward heaven.**

brunolanteri.org

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

Contact our Vocation Director
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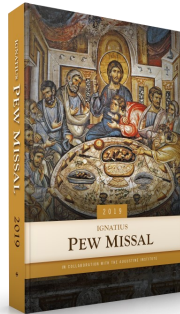
*If you are interested in joining our
 choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on
 Saturdays, please email Kim at
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 Rehearsals are at 4:45 PM
 every Saturday.*



*If you are interested in joining our
 choir for the 10:30 AM Mass on
 Sundays, please email Michael at
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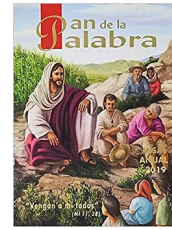
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**9 Days for Life, Monday, January 14 –
 Tuesday, January 22**

in solidarity with the March for Life on
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 human life with daily intentions, brief
 reflections, and more. Download a free
 mobile app, or sign up to receive the
 novena through daily emails or texts. (A
 printable version is also available online.)
 Sign up at 9daysforlife.com!

Pray with us in the chapel at 3:30 PM

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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 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.

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God bless you!



A Reflection on the Baptism of the Lord

Jesus came to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, he went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:13-17

"The Lord was Baptized," explains St. Ambrose of Milan, "not to be cleansed Himself, but to cleanse the waters, so that those waters might have the power of Baptism". During His Ascension, He told His disciples to go and baptize all people and they did exactly that.

Saints have greatly valued this Sacrament. St Vincent Ferrer always celebrated the anniversary of his baptism and often went to kiss the baptismal font in the church of St Stephen in Valencia. After many years of absence, St Francis Solano went back to his hometown. Before doing anything else he knelt and rested his forehead on the font of the church where he was baptized and sang the Creed. When St Josemaría Escrivá found out that they were discarding the font where he was baptized, he arranged for it to be brought to his chapel and kissed it every time he passed by it. Do *you* know the date of your baptism?

A young woman came to see the parish priest to discuss what was needed for her conversion to the Catholic Church. She explained that she had been reading the Gospel, fell in love with Jesus, and wanted to be a Catholic. The priest was surprised that no one had instructed her or talked to her about our faith. "No one has taught you anything about the faith?" asked the astonished priest. "That's strange! You must have had a bit of guidance from someone." The girl explained: "No one, father. Nobody, since I was baptized as a baby..." "But you were baptized?!" ... the priest interrupted her, and with a smile he added: "I rest my case!" Of course Someone had been helping her. Baptism made her a temple of the Holy Spirit. He had been helping her for many years...from inside! Mary, my Mother, may I never forget to give thanks to God for my Baptism and to truly value it as the saints did.

— Rev. George Boronat, stjosemaria.org

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 13

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| 8:00 AM | + Maria Jimenez |
| 9:15 AM | Michael Meads — health |
| 10:30 AM | Barbara Votypka — 90th birthday |
| 11:45 AM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 1:15 PM (esp) | + Hermano Savio McNiece y + Padre John McGuire |
| 4:00 PM | John Valleli — health |
| 5:30 PM | Joyce Brill — blessings in her new home |

Monday, January 14

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| 8:00 AM | + Miguel Castaño |
| 12:05 PM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 4:45 PM | + Hernando Castillo |

Tuesday, January 15

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| 8:00 AM | + Angelo Della Peruta |
| 12:05 PM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 4:45 PM | + Virgilio José Aguiar |

Wednesday, January 16

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| 8:00 AM | + Laurie Grace |
| 12:05 PM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 4:45 PM | + Brigida Rivera |

Thursday, January 17

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| 8:00 AM | + Herbert & + Virginia Zeller |
| 12:05 PM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 4:45 PM | + Sylvia Coppola |

Friday, January 18

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| 8:00 AM | + Raymond McDonough |
| 12:05 PM | Conversion of Sara & Javier |
| 4:45 PM | + Elizabeth Fraine |

Saturday, January 19

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| 9:00 AM | Joseph Piraino Family of Gloucester |
| 12:00 PM | Donald Trump |
| 4:00 PM | Mary Byrne — special intention |
| 5:30 PM | + Myrtle Bordonaro |
| 7:00 PM (esp) | Liz — salud |

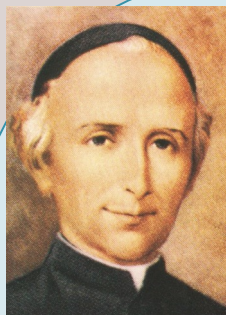
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

January 13: The Baptism of the Lord

January 17: St. Anthony, Abbot



Oblates of the Virgin Mary—USA



Fr. Bruno
Lanteri
(1759-1830)

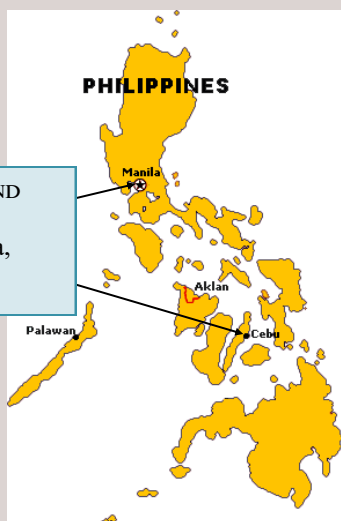
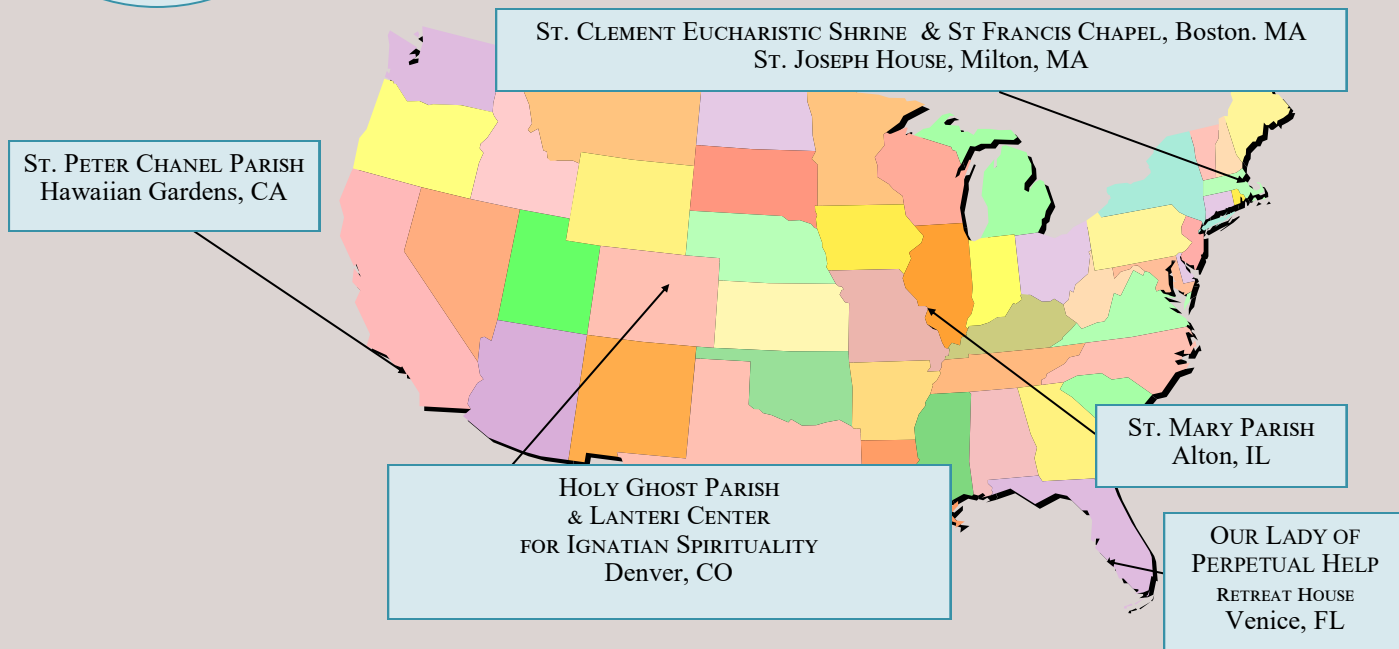
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The US Province of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary is dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola, and includes communities in Massachusetts, Illinois, Colorado, California and the Philippines.

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



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The OMV motto,
“*MARIAM COGITA,
MARIAM INVOCA*”
“*THINK OF MARY,
CALL ON MARY*”
is taken from a homily
by
St. Bernard.