



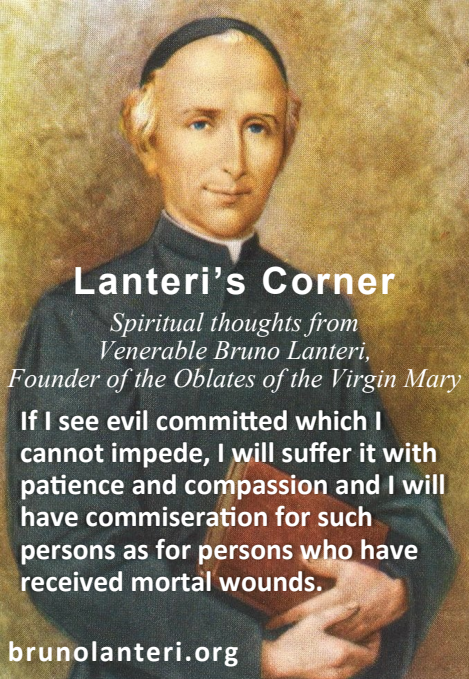
SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL

Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary

Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

Fourth Sunday of Lent — March 31, 2019





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

If I see evil committed which I cannot impede, I will suffer it with patience and compassion and I will have commiseration for such persons as for persons who have received mortal wounds.

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 kim.araiza@gmail.com. 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 michaelsenwright@me.com.

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:

Monday — Friday
 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM;
 Sat. 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM*;
 Sun. 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM*
 (*Closed during Sunday and Saturday Vigil Masses)

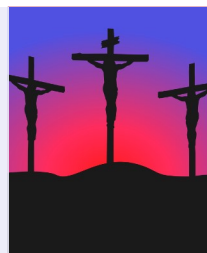
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 God bless you!



THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU
 Extra hours of Confession —
 Wednesdays in Lent, 6:30 - 8 PM

The Way of the Cross
 Fridays in Lent
 5:30 PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2019

Palm Sunday, April 14 — Regular Sunday Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 18: Mass of the Lord's Supper
 5:10 PM; 7:00 PM (en español)

Good Friday, April 19

Stations of the Cross—12:30 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet — 2:30 PM

The Passion of Our Lord — 3:00 PM; 6:00 PM (en español)

Tenebrae Service — 8:30 PM

Holy Saturday, April 20

Misa de Vigilia Pascual — 8:30 PM (en español)

Easter Sunday, April 21 — Regular Sunday Schedule



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Oblates of the Virgin Mary Annual Gala on April 27, 2019
 Boston Seaport Hotel
 Plaza Ballroom
If interested, please contact oblategala@omvusa.org



If you would like to contribute to the Chapel by text, please text the word CHAPEL, leave a space and then the dollar amount to 617-209-2779. Thank you for your generosity!

Mar 31 2019



Pope Francis blesses the "Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians," as Cardinal Edwin F. O'Brien, Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and a member of the Knights of Columbus, looks on.
(L'Osservatore Romano Photo)

The Icon of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians

During the Supreme Convention last August in Baltimore, the Knights of Columbus launched its 18th Marian Prayer Program--this year featuring an icon of "Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians," created by Italian artist Fabrizio Diomedì.

Created by Italian iconographer Fabrizio Diomedì, this icon depicts the Blessed Mother, with the Child Jesus over her heart, spreading her protective mantle around a representative gathering of recent Christian martyrs—men and women, young and old, from East and West; priests, religious and laypersons, including one of the six priest-members of the Knights of Columbus who were killed

by the Mexican government in the first half of the 20th century. The four crosses represent an "ecumenism of blood" among martyrs of Roman and Eastern Catholicism, as well as those of Coptic, Armenian, Syriac and Orthodox traditions.

As the icons travel on their individual journeys, we have encouraged our Knights to track their experiences on social media using the hashtag [#FollowingMary](#).

A Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

by Fr. James Doran, OMV

The 4th Sunday of Lent is called "Laetare" due to the Gregorian antiphon of the Introit of the Mass taken from the book of the Prophet Isaiah:

Laetare, Jerusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam: gaudete cum lætitia, qui in tristitia fuistis: ut exultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestrae.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

New Advent Catholic Encyclopedia says: *Strictly speaking, the Thursday before Laetare Sunday is the middle day of Lent, and it was at one time observed as such, but afterwards the special signs of joy permitted on this day, intended to encourage the faithful in their course through the season of penance, were transferred to the Sunday following. They consist of (like those of Gaudete Sunday in Advent) the use of flowers on the altar of the organ at Mass and Vespers; rose-colored vestments are also allowed instead of purple.*

The collect for Laetare Sunday: *O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ...*



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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday March 31

8:00 AM Alba Osuna — healing
9:15 AM Deceased Members of the Picardi Family
10:30 AM + Estrella Pinto
11:45 AM + James Russell Patricelli
1:15 PM (esp) Agradecimiento al Sagrado Corazón de Jesus

4:00 PM + Kamal Abu Hussein

5:30 PM + George Salvaggio

Monday, April 1

8:00 AM Br. Francis, FPO
12:05 PM Souls in Purgatory
4:45 PM + Alexandra Whipple — anniversary

Tuesday, April 2

8:00 AM Amparo Tobón — birthday
12:05 PM + Paul Salemi
4:45 PM Michael Campbell

Wednesday, April 3

8:00 AM Richard & Carol McCulloch — health
12:05 PM + Pam Flynn
4:45 PM Sierra Parker

Thursday, April 4

8:00 AM Francey Cunniffe
12:05 PM + Maria Gallo
4:45 PM Maria Estefania Ruiz — conversion and healing

Friday, April 5

8:00 AM Armen A. — health
12:05 PM Richard & Carol McCulloch — health
4:45 PM Alba Osuna — healing

Saturday, April 6

9:00 AM + Matthew Galinda
12:00 PM + Ercilia Nunez

4:00 PM + Fabio Heredia
5:30 PM + Ted Mortell
7:00 PM (esp) + Cruz Elena Garces

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

APRIL 2: ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA
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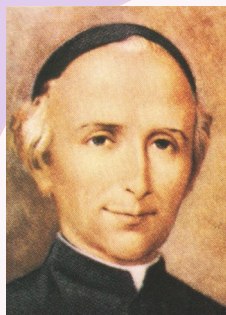
APRIL 4: ST. ISIDORE
BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
PATRON OF THE INTERNET

APRIL 5: ST. VINCENT FERRER
PRIEST



ENROLL YOUR LOVED ONES
IN A NOVENA OF MASSES
BEGINNING ON
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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Fr. Bruno
Lanteri
(1759-1830)

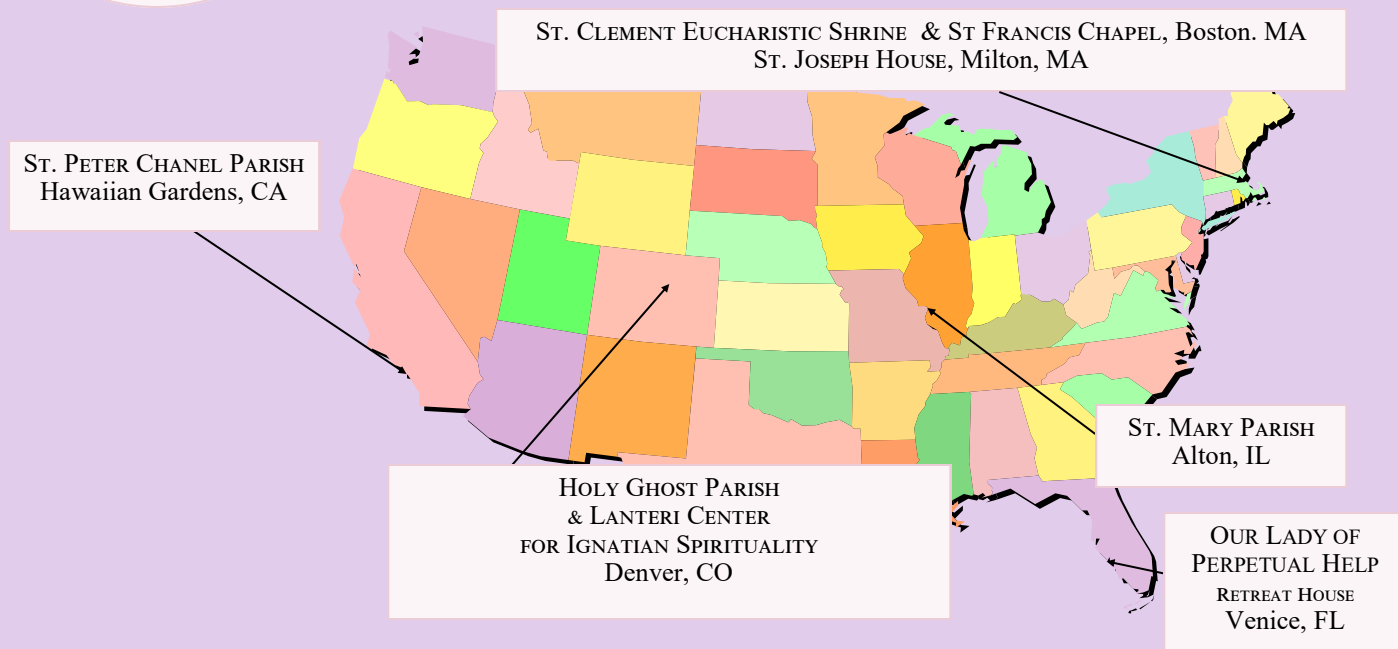
The Founder of the
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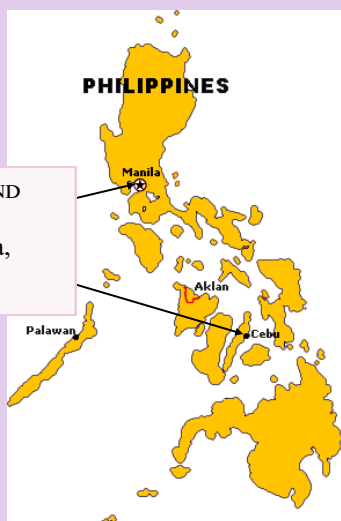
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The US Province of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary is dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola, and includes communities in Massachusetts, Illinois, Colorado, California and the Philippines.

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.