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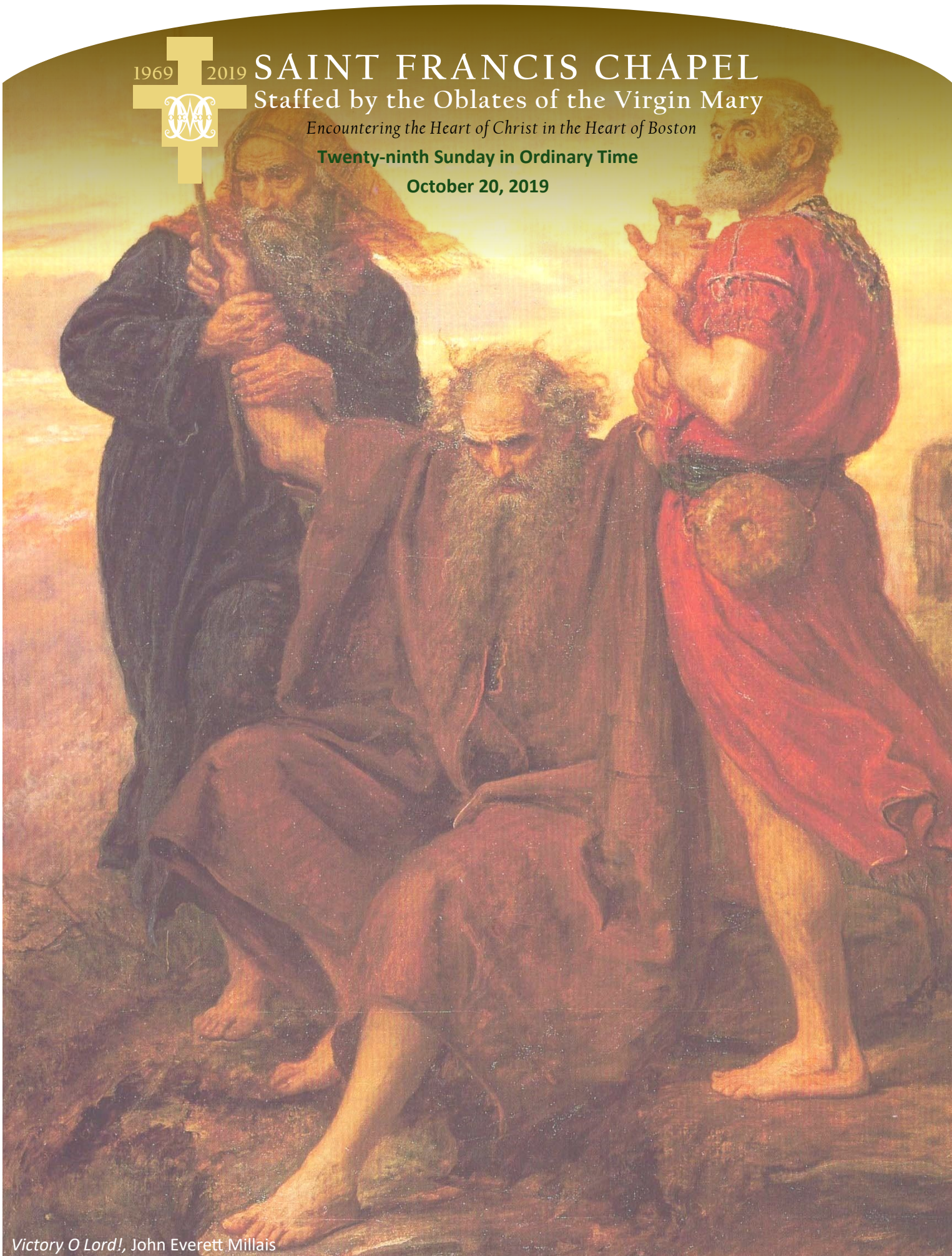
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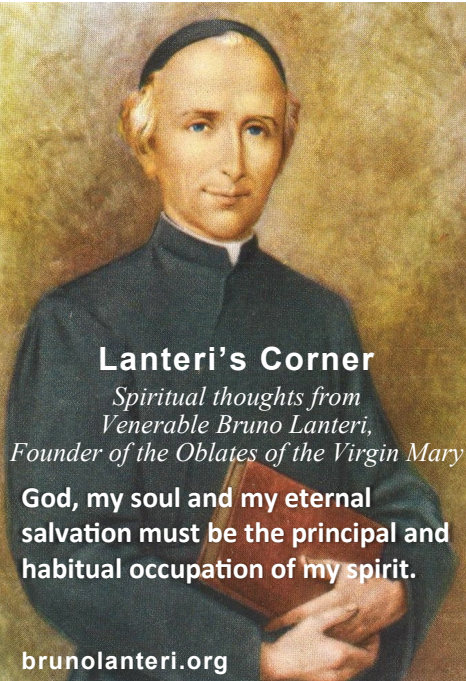
Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2019



Victory O Lord!, John Everett Millais



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

**God, my soul and my eternal
 salvation must be the principal and
 habitual occupation of my spirit.**

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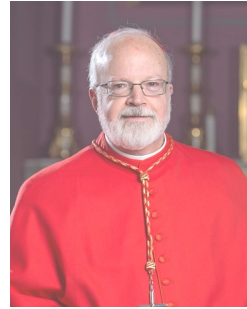
*If you are interested in joining our
 choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on
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 Rehearsals are at 4:45 PM
 every Saturday.*

*If you are interested in joining our
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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:

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
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October is Respect Life Month



A Reflection on the Importance of Prayer by Fr. James Doran, OMV

Jesus told his disciples and us the parable in this Sunday's Gospel about the importance of praying without becoming weary; without losing heart; pray without giving in to discouragement. Saint Alphonsus Ligori said; without prayer we are defeated by temptation; we are dominated by fear. We cannot persevere in doing good. Our work cannot bear good fruit without prayer.

We come from God, we depend on Him and we will go to Him. It only makes sense that we should be continually **talking** and **listening** to Him. We should all recognize that the **Holy Spirit** is inviting each one of us, today, to spend more time in prayer. It is His Will that you heard the story of Moses with arms raised up in prayer. It is His Will that you heard Jesus tell the story of the widow who would not give up crying out for her rights.

Among all the activities that we can engage in there is none that can profit us more than prayer. In this business you never lose and you always win. Prayer is a source of energy that aids us in all occasions. We do not receive **more** help from Heaven because we don't pray better and more often. God has in His hands the solution to every problem. He waits to grant what we need if we do not get tired of asking. He awaits the right moment.

He wishes to help us **not** because we are good but because He is good. He does not love us because we deserve it but because He **is** love. It is His nature to love us. He is generous and forgiving and compassionate. He knows what we need but He wants us to ask. Some graces He grants us without our asking.

The sun came up for me without my asking but there are other graces that we need to ask for. For example, Jesus reminds us to pray for vocations. "The harvest is great but the labors are few; pray then that the owner of the harvest will send more workers".

1 John 5:14: And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. Blessed John Paul continually taught that **peace** could not be accomplished solely through human endeavor. We must always pray to God. Prayer is the key that opens the door to heavenly blessings and prayer is the key that locks out the enemies of my soul.

Prayer is a gift, a virtue, an art.

Parents, God-parents, and Grandparents, teach your children how to pray. I remember the first time my father on his way to his construction job drove me to the bus stop for school. He prayed the morning offering which I was hearing for the first time. "O my God I offer Thee this day, all I think and do and say uniting all to what was done on earth by Jesus Christ Thy Son. Amen". I felt I had received a treasure. Seeing one's father pray is an impressive thing, especially if he gets on his knees. If your Dad is your hero, it is a wonderful example to see him talk to God. I remember Dad praying the Rosary with Mom and us children. I remember the first time that it dawned on me that they were repeating the same prayer, Hail Mary! I remember the first time my Mom on the way to see the dentist stopped at church to light a candle. She said that candle burning was like a prayer that would keep going even after we left the church. Precious memories.

John Brook wrote an intro to The Divine Office called The School of Prayer. "A child learns to write by copying the shape of the letters the teacher has carefully written out. The teacher writes a line and underneath the child copies the example of the teacher. That is precisely how we learn to pray, how we come to know God. The Holy Spirit is our teacher. We learn to pray by taking the prayers inspired by the Spirit and copying them, following the movement of the Spirit with mind and heart." The author writes that he used to suffer deep depression "and for months on end I could not pray. If I tried to pray I only fell inward into despair and empty silence." Then he started reading a prayer book every morning. "It was like being winched slowly out of a pit." The Creed, "the psalms and other prayers expressed *my own* longing for forgiveness and for God's peace in a way I could never do on my own." Let us ask the H.S. with our Lady's intercession for the habit of prayer.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 20

8:00 AM + Dr. George Diamandopoulos, M.D.

9:15 AM Andrew Riely

10:30 AM St. John Paul II Novena Enrollees

11:45 AM + Josephine Desesa

1:15 PM (esp.) Adreina Cueva

4:00 PM Auo Chen — peace

5:30 PM Krueckeberg Family

Monday, October 21

8:00 AM Souls of Purgatory

12:05 PM St. John Paul II Novena Enrollees

4:45 PM Albert Family — health & welfare

Tuesday, October 22

8:00 AM Gladys & Harry Lindmark

12:05 PM St. John Paul II Novena Enrollees

4:45 PM + Joseph Timilty

Wednesday, October 23

8:00 AM Joan Kelly

12:05 PM + John Finneran

4:45 PM + Bertha & + Peter McIntyre - Wheatley

Thursday, October 24

8:00 AM Dana Santos

12:05 PM Abigail Revoir

4:45 PM + James Good

Friday, October 25

8:00 AM Marina Acero — good health & thanksgiving

12:05 PM Regan Family

4:45 PM Rev. James Hawker

Saturday, October 26

9:00 AM + Dorothy DeRoche

12:00 PM + Seamus & + Maureen Weldon & Family
— 7th anniversary

4:00 PM + Stephen E. Kelly

5:30 PM + Kamal Abu Husayn

7:00 PM (esp) + Consuelo Torres de Bustamante —

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

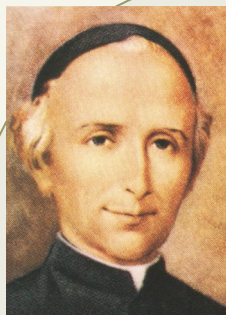
October 22: St. John Paul II, Pope



October 23: St. John of Capistrano, Priest

October 24: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

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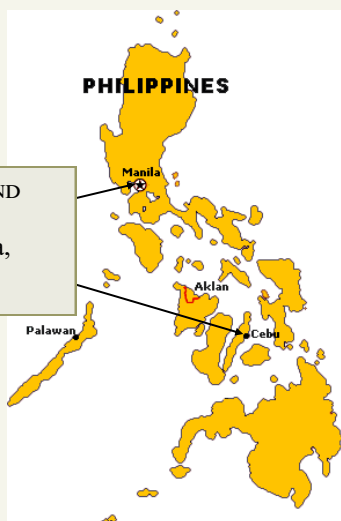
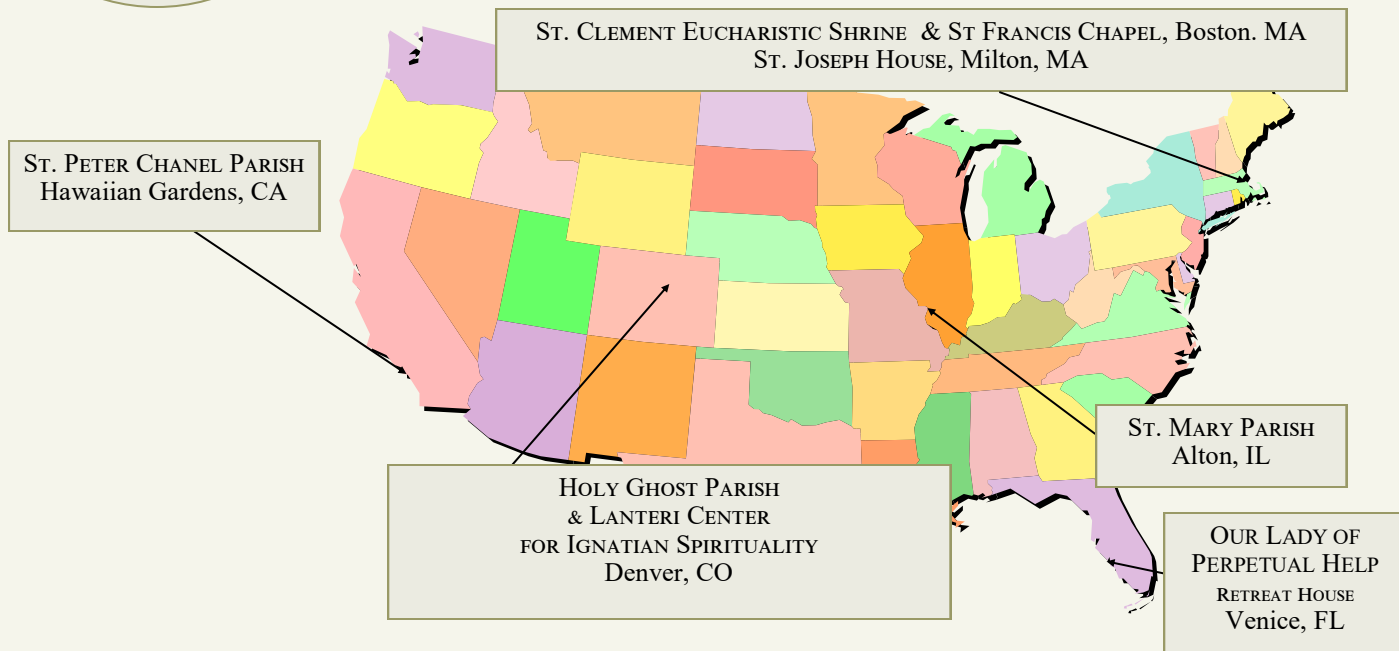
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The OMV motto,
“*MARIAM COGITA,
MARIAM INVOCA*”
“*THINK OF MARY,
CALL ON MARY*”
is taken from a homily
by
St. Bernard.