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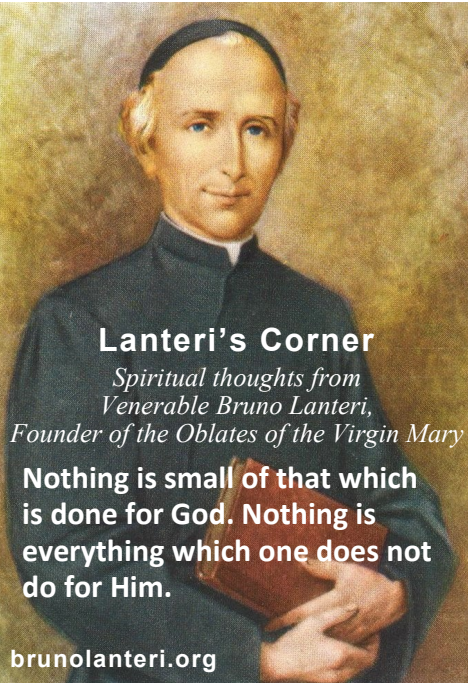
*Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston*

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 3, 2019



*Christ calls Zacchaeus down from the tree*





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

**Nothing is small of that which  
 is done for God. Nothing is  
 everything which one does not  
 do for Him.**

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**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  
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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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# ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL

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**GOD BLESS  
 YOU!**

**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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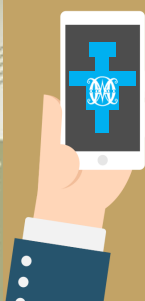
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## *A Reflection on Indulgences* by Fr. James Doran, OMV

When I was 14 I had a paper route between five and six in the morning. I would load the papers into the bags on my bicycle and pedal around the neighborhood. One of my customers was very particular about wanting his paper on the porch, not **beside** it but **on** it. One morning I threw the paper and it hit the storm door and broke the glass. I heard it break but I was not going to wake the man up to tell him I broke his storm door. So I went home, and then went off to school. When I got home after school, there was a message waiting for me. With fear and trembling I called the man, wishing I had called him first. I was afraid he was going to yell at me, cancel his subscription and complain to the newspaper; my family would be mortified. You can imagine how a 14 year old worries.

I identified myself and he asked me if I broke the glass. I admitted I had. He was very civil. He must have perceived my anguish because he tried to put me at ease, saying “*accidents will happen*”. He was not going to cancel, he was not going to register a complaint. “*But you will have to pay half the price for the glass.*” “*That’s all?*,” I thought. Wow. I was really getting off easy.

That’s the way **sin** is. We sin and if we are sorry, God forgives us. If it’s a mortal sin we have to confess. And we are forgiven, we are still friends with God, **but** we still have to pay a penance.

Why? Because every sin has two effects. First, it **distances** us from God, it cools our love for Him. Secondly, it creates an **attachment to the sin** committed. It becomes a vice. So even after we are forgiven, there is a residual attachment and **tendency** to repeat the sin. How do we get rid of that? Penance. Not just the little penance that the priest gives us in confession. That’s just for starters. We have to take it upon ourselves to do something more, like Zacchaeus who was not afraid to humble himself by climbing a tree in order to see Jesus. He promised to give half his property to the poor! And if he had cheated anybody, he would pay back 4x the amount. And **Jesus was pleased**.

Jesus appreciates the extra effort. Just as He appreciated the tears and extravagant generosity of the woman who wept over his feet and dried them with her hair. If we do not do sufficient penance for sins that we have confessed before we die, we get rid of that residual attachment to sin through purification in Purgatory. This purification frees us from what is called “temporal punishment” of sin. We should not think of this punishment as coming from God but as a consequence of the nature of sin. If I eat too much, it is not God who punishes me with a stomach ache.

The Catechism says conversion and great charity purifies the sinner and **cancels** the temporal punishment. The Christian that strives to purify himself and become holy is not alone. Every Christian is united to the Mystical Body of Christ. There is a bond of charity between the saints in heaven, the souls in Purgatory and us on earth. And between us there is an **exchange of holy things**. One’s holiness profits another **well beyond** the harm that one’s sin could cause others. The **holiness** of Christ and His merits, the prayers and good works of Our Lady and the saints who followed Jesus — this **holiness** is the **treasure** of the Church. This treasure, this reservoir of holiness can help the Christian who is struggling to purify his soul. An **indulgence** is a gift of part of this treasure to cancel temporal punishment. We can gain indulgences for certain prayers and works of charity for ourselves and for the souls in purgatory.

Pope St. Paul VI promulgated a document called the Handbook of Indulgences. During the first 8 days of November, we can gain an indulgence for the souls in purgatory every time we visit a cemetery to pray for the dead. It could be a plenary indulgence if we confess and go to Communion, pray for the intentions of the Pope and are free from affection for sin. That means one really detests his sins. “*O my God I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee and I detest all my sins...*” Those words mean something. They are not just filler.

So let us gain indulgences for our deceased. They will return the favor. “*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*”

## *MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK*

### Sunday, November 3

**8:00 AM** Emily Krueckeberg — birthday  
**9:15 AM** + Maciora & Mik Families  
**10:30 AM** + Maryon Melvin  
**11:45 AM** + Ralph & + Imelda Rogers  
**1:15 PM (esp.)** + Adela Gomez y Arturo Gallego  
**4:00 PM** Poor Souls of Purgatory  
**5:30 PM** Norma Lorenzana — 98th birthday

### Monday, November 4

**8:00 AM** Poor Souls of Purgatory  
**12:05 PM** + Marilyn Byrne  
**4:45 PM** Sr. Jeanne MacDonald

### Tuesday, November 5

**8:00 AM** Poor Souls of Purgatory  
**12:05 PM** Otón Porres — good health  
**4:45 PM** Francis & Mary Bane

### Wednesday, November 6

**8:00 AM** + John J. Landers  
**12:05 PM** + Andrea St. James  
**4:45 PM** + Adam McGavin

### Thursday, November 7

**8:00 AM** Marina Acero — good health & thanksgiving  
**12:05 PM** + Rev. Timothy Murphy  
**4:45 PM** + William P. Morrissey

### Friday, November 8

**8:00 AM** Richard & Carol McCulloch — health and welfare  
**12:05 PM** + Joseph Perkosi  
**4:45 PM** Christie Thein

### Saturday, November 9

**9:00 AM** + Francis Rezard  
**12:00 PM** + Ercilia Nuñez  
**4:00 PM** Krueckeberg Family  
**5:30 PM** + Aldo Vajentic  
**7:00 PM (esp)** + Hermanos Rojas Muñeton

## *FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK*

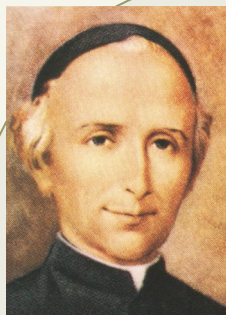
**November 4: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

**November 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**





# Oblates of the Virgin Mary—USA



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Lanteri  
(1759-1830)

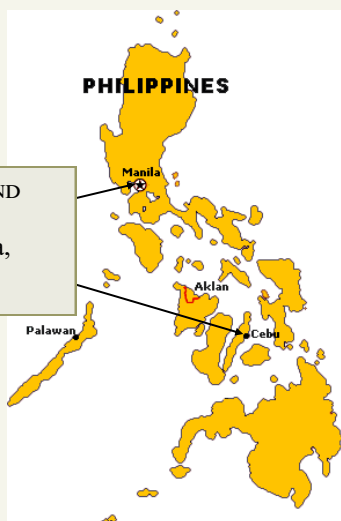
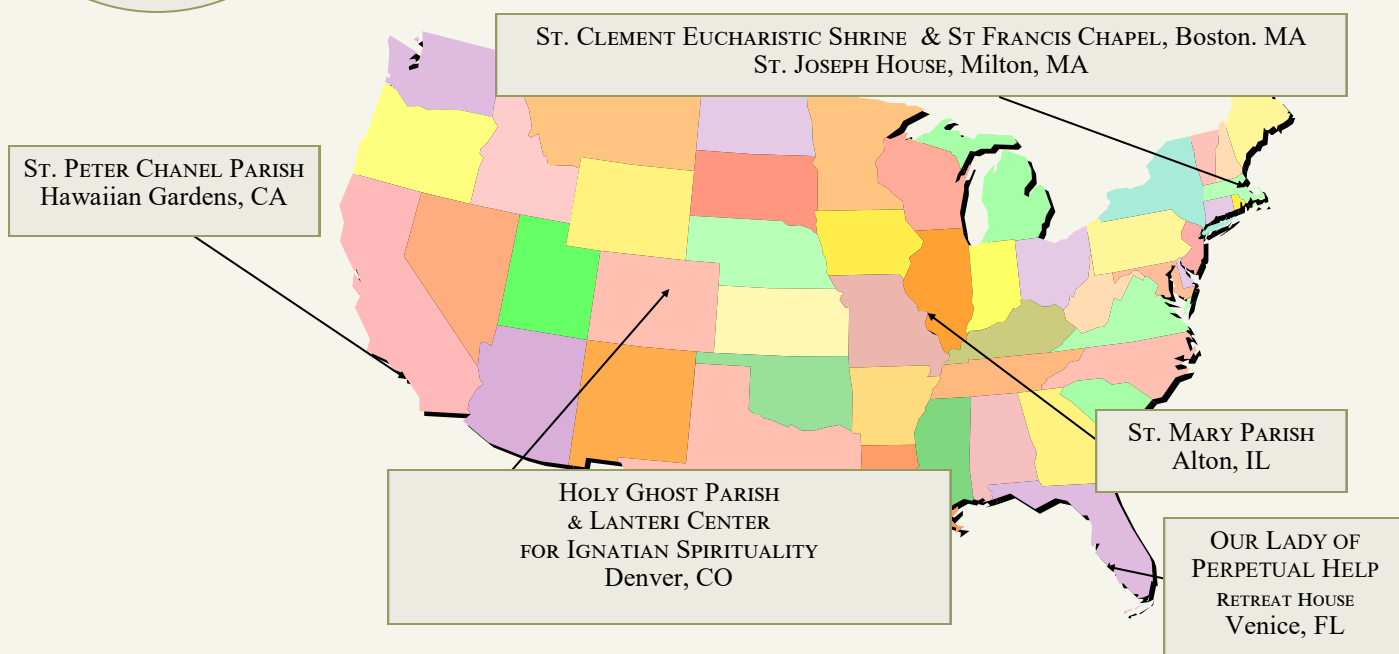
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The US Province of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary is dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola, and includes communities in Massachusetts, Illinois, Colorado, California and the Philippines.

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.