



THE
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SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL
STAFFED BY
THE OBLATES OF THE VIRGIN MARY

ENCOUNTER THE HEART OF CHRIST IN THE HEART OF BOSTON

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

OCTOBER 3, 2021

CHAPEL STAFF:

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Garcia, Christina Roberts

Cleaning of Chapel

Environment: Nubia Viasus

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October:

We pray that every baptized person
may be engaged in evangelization,
available to the mission, by being
witnesses of a life that has the flavor
of the Gospel.



Cover Art:

Icon of St. Francis of Assisi with Stigmata

In the painting wing of the Vatican Museum. Photo by Ian Scott, Flickr

SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00PM,
5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM,
1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM
Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

Confessions:

Mon.—Fri. 11:15 -11:50AM, 12:45-4:15PM
Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady
Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph
Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM;
Sat. 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM;
Sunday 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 5:30PM;
Saturday 9:30AM - 6:30PM*;
Sunday 8:45AM - 6:30PM*

(*Closed during Sun. and Sat. Vigil Masses)

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Reflection

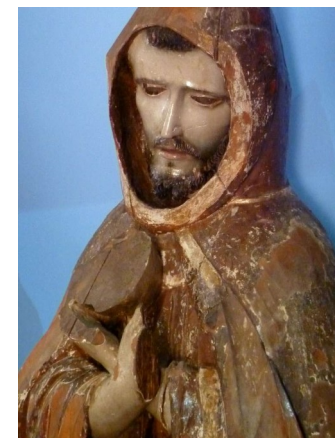
The saints remind us that the Kingdom of God is present and constantly breaking into our hearts. This breaking-in of the Kingdom typically happens through love and suffering, and that is no coincidence. Anyone who truly loves knows the suffering that accompanies it. To love someone is to make space within oneself for the good of the other. Making space within comes with a cost.

St. Paul reminds us in this Sunday's second reading that Christ made us perfect through His love that manifested itself in the sufferings He bore for our sake. Our perfection comes also through the grace we receive to embrace the path of love for God and our neighbor that winds its way through our souls.

St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated by the Church on October 4 each year. He embraced the path of love Christ opens for all of us. Francis threw off the worldly path of love of self to be consecrated as one who would serve the Kingdom of God at all costs. By his courageous choice to follow the Lord wherever it took him at whatever the cost, St. Francis was a living sign of contradiction. Though poor and powerless Francis exuded joy and thus became a living challenge to worldly notions of joy.

Francis also understood the need for the world to have missionaries for the sake of the Kingdom of God. He boldly crossed enemy lines during the fighting of the Crusades in 1219. He reached his way to the Sultan in Egypt to proclaim the Gospel and to bring peace. The Sultan was so impressed by Francis' holiness, boldness and love that he spared his life and sent him back to the Christian camps with that knowledge that the world desperately needed such a man. We need the intercession of St. Francis to be bold in living and proclaiming the Gospel of Peace and holiness in our contemporary times.

Because the Chapel is named in his honor it is celebrated as a solemnity for us. Visiting the Chapel on October 4 will be a pilgrimage entitling you to a possible plenary indulgence. The usual conditions for the indulgence apply. May October 4 truly be a day of pilgrimage and holiness at St. Francis Chapel.



Life at the Chapel



Fall 2021 Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats

October 16 & November 20

“Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself.”— A Project Rachel retreat participant.

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a “Come to the Waters of Healing” one-day retreat. Fall dates are September 25, October 16 and November 20 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

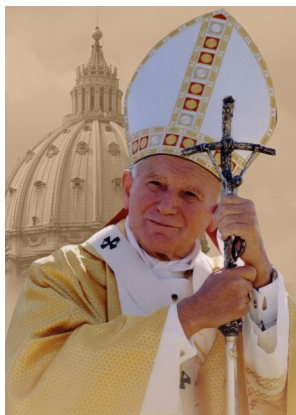
For October, The Month of the Holy Rosary:

You may enroll your loved ones or other intentions in our Daily Rosary during October and the **Novena of Masses in honor of Pope St. John Paul II from October 14-22.**

Enrollments cards may be found in the vestibule of the Chapel.

The Holy Rosary will be prayed:

- * Monday—Friday after the 4:45PM Mass
- * Saturday after the Noon Mass
- * Sunday after the 1:15PM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Oct. 3

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory
9:15 AM George Wilson
10:30 AM +William J. Carr
11:45 AM +Charles Yared
1:15 PM Alicia Enriquez—Cumpleanos
4:00 PM +Matthew Perez
5:30 PM +George E. Mahoney

Monday, Oct. 4

8:00 AM James Duane
12:05 PM Alice & Douglas Lim, & Kent Ashley
4:45 PM +George William Kaster

Tuesday, Oct. 5

8:00 AM John Connolley
12:05 PM +Kaysay Family Members
4:45 PM +Paul Moosbrugger

Wednesday, Oct. 6

8:00 AM Aaron Revoir
12:05 PM Adrian Doyle
4:45 PM +Elaine Walsh

Thursday, Oct. 7

8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. M. Bastidas, Chaparro & Family
12:05 PM Geoffrey Kreger—Special Intentions
4:45 PM +Henry J. Kerr

Friday, Oct. 8

8:00 AM For the Homeless
12:05 PM Jenna Feitelberg
4:45 PM Harrison Grandchamps

Saturday, Oct. 9

9:00 AM +Gerald Warren
12:00 PM Jorge Carrillo—health

4:00 PM +Michael C. Donahue
5:30 PM Ivan Gonzales Villalobos—Cumpleanos

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen.



Your Options Medical

Free Pregnancy Testing & Ultrasound

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1180 Beacon Street Suite 5D
Brookline, MA 02446
CALL: (617) 505-5145

Revere
97 Broadway
Revere, MA 02151
CALL: (781) 222-0643

During the month of October we will hold our annual Baby Bottle Drive in Support of this vital ministry of Your Options Medical which assists women and men in crisis pregnancies.



A Woman's Concern was established in Boston in 1991 to provide an alternative to abortion for women and couples facing an unplanned pregnancy. The founders recognized the need to educate and empower women to make healthy, life-affirming decisions regarding their pregnancies and sexual health. Thirty years later, our appearance and name have changed and our reach extends throughout Massachusetts but we remain resolute in our founding purpose.

Currently, we have centers in Revere, Fall River, Sturbridge and Brookline and operate our mobile medical clinic where needed.

We believe all human life is sacred and made in the image of God. Women and couples facing unexpected pregnancies deserve an opportunity to have an ultrasound and receive counseling prior to making a decision regarding their pregnancy. And as Christians, we are committed to helping families meet the practical and material needs that they have that may cause them to consider abortion as their only option.

Our heart is to minister to a mother's emotional, relational, material, and spiritual needs and to care for her baby too.

Engage with life-honoring services by offering women and couples, especially those considering abortion, the information and free services that help them choose life.

Embrace with life-saving truth by providing the visual proof of life through ultrasound coupled with a spiritual discussion that we hope leads to a commitment to Christ.

Empower with life-changing support by offering parenting classes, material support, help and education they need to be good parents.

Medical Services for Pregnancy Confirmation

Free lab-quality pregnancy testing and ultrasound are offered to women facing an unplanned pregnancy in order to offer them medically accurate information regarding their pregnancy.

Mentoring & Support

We offer individual and group parenting classes that provide the education and encouragement that parents need as they prepare for parenthood or release for adoption.

Post-Abortion Help

Post Abortion Recovery helps individuals overcome the emotional trauma and spiritual issues that many women experience after an abortion. Specially trained advocates lead women through the process of forgiveness and restoration.