



SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL
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THE OBLATES OF THE VIRGIN MARY

ENCOUNTER THE HEART OF CHRIST IN THE HEART OF BOSTON

JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

CHAPEL STAFF:

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Cleaning of Chapel

Environment: Nubia Viasus

The Pope's Prayer Intention for November:

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.



Cover Art:

Christ the King. Stained Glass Window, Dunwoodie Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY. Photo by Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P.

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 by Bro. Jonas Verdeflor, OMV

How much does Jesus reign in your heart?

If we are honest, we realize that Jesus does not reign. Rather, something else (money, comfort, sports, sexuality or addiction) sits on that throne. Worse, this usurper has not brought peace and order. Frustration, confusion and loneliness fester under a pretty façade of pleasure. Social media further strengthens this façade and allows us to shoot painful verbal arrows from behind it.

Amid such arrows from the Pharisees, Jesus tells Pilate, “For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth” (Jn 18:37).

Pilate mocks Jesus by asking, “What is truth?” (v. 38). But only truth can be the principle to organize one’s life. In *Wonder Woman 1984*, the heroine’s aunt tells her: “No true hero is born from lies.” Without the truth, a life cannot be truly good and heroic because Jesus as the Way, the Truth and the Life instructs and empowers us to integrate every part of ourselves. The intellect guides the will, which oversees our passions. Any hurts and sins in life we bring to Jesus for healing. In the late 14th century, Julian of Norwich describes in her book *Showings or Revelations* this interior harmony as Jesus as king ruling over a city. Pope Francis describes this ordering as part of human ecology, ordering the world around us under Jesus’ vision and rule of mutual self-giving love. “Human beings cannot be expected to feel responsibility for the world unless, at the same time, their unique capacities of knowledge, will, freedom and responsibility are recognized and valued” (*Laudato Si’*, 118).

How much does Jesus reign in your heart?

Stop and imagine how much better your life would be with Jesus in control of your heart. Take five or six deep breaths. Can you sense the stress and burdens melting away? Tense parts in your body unwind. Place yourself in the loving hands of God the Father. You remain grounded in peace, love and security although your world might be hectic. Would you like more of that? The first step is to give Jesus all your worries and concerns. Don Dolindo Ruotolo’s Novena of Surrender to the Will of God provides this quick prayer when life becomes too much:

“O Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything!”

I have prayed this often when studies, papers and projects seemed impossible to complete. Every time, a solution appeared that gave me enough space and time to finish everything. Jesus is true to His word: “But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides” (Mt 6:33).

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The choice is before us. Either we mock Jesus like Pilate did or we listen to His word and allow Jesus to reign as our true king and leader.

Open the center of your heart to him and allow the King to take possession of His Kingdom.

St. Francis Chapel Music Director

St Francis Chapel is an example of the New Evangelization, celebrating Catholic worship and prayer in today's marketplace. The Chapel is located in the Prudential Center Mall and counts among its patrons residents and workers from Boston's Back Bay, conventioners from The Hynes Convention Center and Sheraton Hotel, college students from Berkley, Northeastern, MIT and many other schools in Boston.

Position Summary

St. Francis Chapel seeks a qualified candidate for a stipend position as a musical director. The Chapel celebrates 7 English language Masses on Saturday Vigil and Sundays. The number of Masses led by the director may vary but will also include recruiting and coordinating with other players and cantors. Playing and coordinating for special feast days and solemnities are also expected.

Requirements:

- The ideal candidate holds a Bachelor's degree, or the equivalent, in music or music education with specialized training credentials in liturgical music and understanding of Roman Catholic liturgy, but it is not required; knowledge of performance practice and liturgical styles and forms; understanding of musical, liturgical, and pastoral needs; the ability to exercise discerning judgment in selection of liturgical music based on the parish's musical style; proficiency in keyboard performances, especially piano; ability to sing; knowledge of basic piano maintenance; familiarity with vocal techniques and ability in choral leadership.
 - Proficiency with music coordination and training of cantors and choirs
 - Applicants who are also trained vocalists able to serve as both piano player and cantor will be given preference, but it is not a requirement
- Good familiarity with the Catholic liturgy

Job Responsibilities:

- Administers a multifaceted liturgy and music program including planning, scheduling and timely communication with other ministers.
- Develops specific choirs or ensembles and cantors for weekend liturgies.
- Prepares worship aids for liturgical celebrations.
- Selects music for liturgical celebrations in accord with Church documents.
- Oversees compliance with copyright laws and licensing procedures.
- Maintains choir library and liturgical/musical resources as needed.
- Ensures accuracy of information posted on the website concerning Liturgy and Music.
- Helps recruit other musicians.
- Participates in any needed staff meetings.
- Meets regularly with the staff and volunteers and is available to provide any training which may be needed.

Interested applicants please contact sfc.pru@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 21

8:00 AM +Francis & Ruth Goode
9:15 AM +William Ryan
10:30 AM +Daniel & Mary Josephine Barry
11:45 AM +Joseph & Ethel Mary Goode
1:15 PM +Rodrigo Gamboa
4:00 PM +Ross & Margaret Derby
5:30 PM +Thomas & June Mangone

Monday, Nov. 22

8:00 AM +Nelta Belmar & Mothers
12:05 PM +Juan Madariaga
4:45 PM +Joe Timilty

Tuesday, Nov. 23

8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. A. Rodriguez-Garzon & Family
12:05 PM Holy Souls, in honor of St. Joseph
4:45 PM +Richard & Elizabeth Cardillo

Wednesday, Nov. 24

8:00 AM +Clem Cheung
12:05 PM Mr. & Mrs. Jason Allain
4:45 PM The Holy Souls

Thursday, Nov. 25

9:00 AM Harley Auguste
12:00 PM +Odilla Bolivar

Friday, Nov. 26

8:00 AM Kevin Doherty—healing
12:05 PM Hendricks Delva
4:45 PM Herschel Walker

Saturday, Nov. 27

9:00 AM Holy Souls
12:00 PM Nicholas Mourginis
4:00 PM US female soldiers killed in Afghanistan
5:30 PM +Evelia Ester Lopera

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.

On The Feast Of Christ The King

By Pope Pius XI

It has long been a common custom to give to Christ the metaphorical title of "King," because of the high degree of perfection whereby he excels all creatures. So he is said to reign "in the hearts of men," both by reason of the keenness of his intellect and the extent of his knowledge, and also because he is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind. He reigns, too, in the wills of men, for in him the human will was perfectly and entirely obedient to the Holy Will of God, and further by his grace and inspiration he so subjects our free-will as to incite us to the most noble endeavors. He is King of hearts, too, by reason of his "charity which exceedeth all knowledge." And his mercy and kindness which draw all men to him, for never has it been known, nor will it ever be, that man be loved so much and so universally as Jesus Christ. But if we ponder this matter more deeply, we cannot but see that the title and the power of King belongs to Christ as man in the strict and proper sense too. For it is only as man that he may be said to have received from the Father "power and glory and a kingdom," since the Word of God, as consubstantial with the Father, has all things in common with him, and therefore has necessarily supreme and absolute dominion over all things created.

8. Do we not read throughout the Scriptures that Christ is the King? He it is that shall come out of Jacob to rule, who has been set by the Father as king over Sion, his holy mount, and shall have the Gentiles for his inheritance, and the utmost parts of the earth for his possession.[4] In the nuptial hymn, where the future King of Israel is hailed as a most rich and powerful monarch, we read: "Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; the scepter of thy kingdom is a scepter of righteousness." [5] There are many similar passages, but there is one in which Christ is even more clearly indicated. Here it is foretold that his kingdom will have no limits, and will be enriched with justice and peace: "in his days shall justice spring up, and abundance of peace...And he shall rule from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth."

Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ King

(Iesu dulcissime, Redemptor)

*A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful, who piously recite the Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ King. A **plenary indulgence** is granted, if it is recited publicly on the feast of our Lord Jesus Christ King.*



Detail from the west wall of the Sainte Chapelle in Paris.
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Prayer:

Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us humbly prostrate before you. We are yours, and yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with you, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to your Most Sacred Heart. Many indeed have never known you; many, too, despising your precepts, have rejected you. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to your Sacred Heart. Be King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken you, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned you; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger. Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof, and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Grant, O Lord, to your Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give tranquility of order to all nations; make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: Praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to it be glory and honor for ever. Amen.