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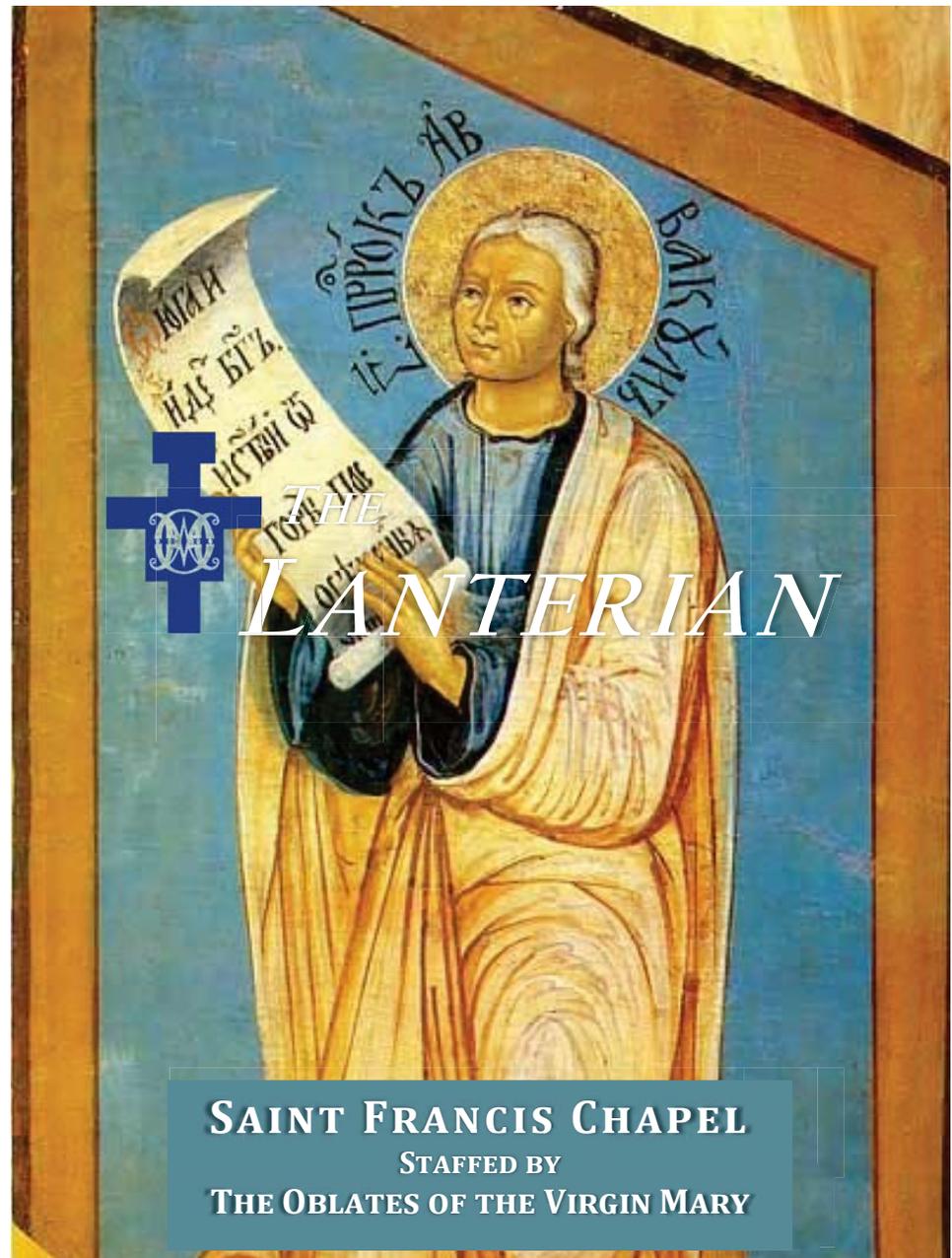
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OCTOBER 2, 2022
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY



CHAPEL STAFF:

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The Pope's Prayer Intention for October:

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



Cover Art:

The Prophet Habakkuk. Public Domain.

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 Masses)

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Reflection by Fr. Michael Warren, OMV

The prophet Habakkuk is featured in this Sunday's first reading. He was a prophet of justice and one who struggled to make sense of God's method of governing the world. In the first reading Habakkuk cries out about the violence and corruption of his society, the very one that is supposed to be reflecting God's holiness and glory. Instead of living the covenant faithfully, the people of Judah are corrupt and violent. Habakkuk wants to know why God seems to do nothing about it. The prophet cries out to the people, he cries out to God and yet nothing changes. Habakkuk wants to know why God allows this.

The spiritual struggle of Habakkuk is so very human, and for us a relatable struggle. Habakkuk's prayer to God is a struggle to understand why God governs as He does. It often seems that He is quite distant and detached from the violence that is a constant feature of our world. The Lord provides His answer to Habakkuk: Those who continue to live in fidelity to the covenant and who wait upon the Lord will not be disappointed.

Judeo-Christian tradition has a long history of passionate concern for justice. All of the prophets pursued righteousness and fidelity to God and neighbor in their writings and preaching. Social justice, meaning care for the poor and the migrants, for widows and families, for debtors and laborers, has been part of the mission of God's people from Moses through Jesus and continuing in our present time. God's answer to Habakkuk is valid for all times. Those who care ought not be idle but remain faithful themselves, continue to witness to the right and wait for God to deliver His justice in His own time. The prayer of anguish that Habakkuk uttered was valid. It honestly expresses to the Lord in prayer the deepest desires and concerns of the heart that we open a channel of grace between God's heart and ours. Waiting for the Lord to act in His own way is often a great sacrifice as we must also endure the continuance of injustice. But we are also called to endure with hope as the Lord reminds Habakkuk, that the one who waits upon the Lord will not be disappointed. Those who act rashly, in haste and without grace, live without integrity. The lack of integrity means that they remain inconsistent, scattered in thought and feeling and without true goals. Fidelity to God is what leads to triumph and true justice in the end.



Come to the Waters of Healing

A Retreat for Post-Abortion Healing

“My spirit was broken and as far as I knew beyond repair. I was living a decision that I will regret for the rest of my life.

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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

Fall 2022 Dates

Saturday, October 1

Saturday, October 29

Saturday, November 19

9:00AM – 5:00 PM



Sponsored by the Project Rachel Ministry - Archdiocese of Boston



Location is confidential. Pre-registration is required.

Limited to 10 participants.

For more information:

Project Rachel at (508) 651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

“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. [Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Oct. 2

8:00 AM Ned Green & Family

9:15 AM Ursula Steele

10:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Jason Allain

11:45 AM +Mary DeSesa

1:15 PM +Gabriela Soto

4:00 PM +Joseph & +Mary Maciora

5:30 PM Castillo & Gomez Families

Monday, Oct. 3

8:00 AM Matthew Nieto & Perez

Zanabria

12:05 PM +Carol Anne Sebergandio

4:45 PM Roselande & Raoul Desir

Tuesday, Oct. 4

8:00 AM +Margaret M. Wheatley

12:05 PM +Phyllis Nowszenski

4:45 PM +Peter Ajemian

Wednesday, Oct. 5

8:00 AM +Ana & Sarah

12:05 PM +Faber Puerta

4:45 PM +David Scattergood

Thursday, Oct. 6

8:00 AM +Trina

12:05 PM +Margaret “Gerri” Sheehan

4:45 PM +Carlina Restrepo

Friday, Oct. 7

8:00 AM +Therese A. Maloney

12:05 PM Fr. Thomas Carzon, OMV

4:45 PM +David Scattergood

Saturday, Oct. 8

9:00 AM +Matty McGoona—anniv. of death

12:00 PM Fr. Victor Nwabueza

4:00 PM +John Correia—anniv.

5:30 PM Guadalupe Soto

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.

10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting

Read the full version at
[respectlifeprogram.org/support-her](https://www.respectlife.org/support-her).

As a mom who had my first baby in college, I know that an unexpected pregnancy can sometimes bring fear, shame, and doubt. Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. I encourage you to support her in her new journey of being a mother.

Your support may be the only support she receives.

It's okay if you don't know the perfect words to say. Let her know you are there for her, and ask how you can support her. Assist her in lining up practical help. She may not feel she "deserves" to show happiness; reassure her it's okay (*and good*) to be happy. Your support might be the only support she receives. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?

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An unexpected pregnancy might be confusing along the way, but life—though at times difficult—is ultimately beautiful. Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother.

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