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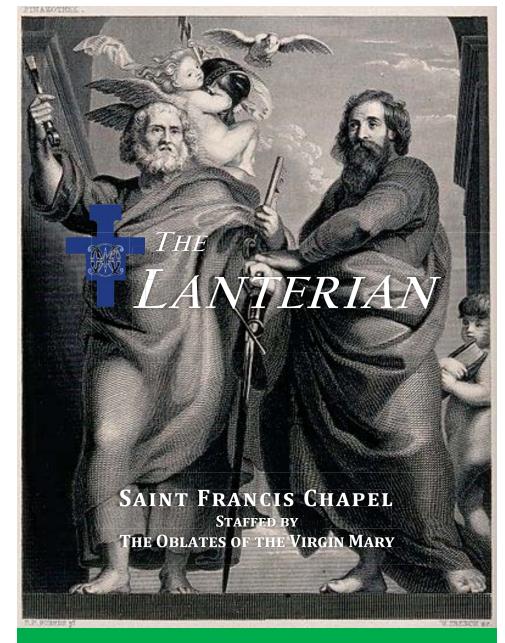
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JANUARY 22, 2023 Third Sunday

CHAPEL STAFF:

Fr. Isaac Abu. OMV Fr. James Doran, OMV Fr. Michael Warren, OMV

Sundays:

Fr. James Walther, OMV Fr. Sean Morris, OMV

Pastoral Associate: Isabelle Maria, CFP, CKA

Music: Steven Angelucci -Director. Saul Garcia, Cesar Garcia, Stacey Ibe

Cleaning of Chapel Environment: Nubia Viasus

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January:

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.



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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Saints Peter and Paul. Engraving by W French after Sir PP Rubens. Wellcome Collection.



Reflection by Fr. Isaac Abu, OMV

Every event on this earth has its time. Liturgically speaking, it is time for Jesus' public ministry. There was a time he was a vulnerable child swaddled in a manger. There was a time he was silently preparing. Now it is time to fulfill the reason why he emptied himself and stooped to the level of mortals. Now is the time "to proclaim glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free." (Lk. 4:18).

Experience shows that for every enterprise to be successful, some factors must be considered.

Reflecting deeply on the actions taken by Jesus to ensure the success of his mission, one cannot be but awe-struck.

Today's gospel tells us that Jesus invited disciples to participate in his transformative work and prepare the whole of humanity for heaven, our home, asking everyone to "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." This action teaches that teamwork is always the best way to get things done and done well.

The location he started this ministry is indicative God is always with his people, and whatever he allows to happen to us, has a determined period for side effects to be undone. Brant Pitre, bolstering this point, drew our attention to the significance of the place where Jesus' missionary activities began: "Now guess what were the first two tribes to go into exile in the Assyrian exile. It was the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali. In other words, the territory of Galilee is where that exile began, where the overthrow of the 12 tribes started, and that's where Jesus is going to begin his public ministry."

The love that Jesus has is very evident. He is calling everyone to reconsider his ways to ensure that they conform to he who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He is inviting us to be part of his team in this mission of transformation. Repentance therefore will enable us to be reliable and dependable members of this team. For we can only give what we have. Let us permit him to gather us together as the hen gathers her chicks her brood.

The Lanteri Guild

The Venerable Bruno Lanteri Guild! We are a growing group of friends who help tell the story of Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary (OMV). The cause for the canonization of Venerable Bruno Lanteri is currently underway and it's our goal to see it completed. We also help promote vocations to the Oblates who continue to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ through the charism of Venerable Bruno.

Ven. Lanteri preached and wrote about the infinite Mercy of the Father manifested in Jesus Christ. But more than that, he lived it in his everyday life, as he taught the Oblates to do. Through Reconciliation and spiritual direction, he connected with people along their personal journey to knowing God's mercy. The Oblates are located all over the world, and their spirituality is grounded in the life and mission of this little-known North Piedmont priest of Italy.

"We can never hope too much. The one who hopes for everything, obtains everything." Ven. Bruno Lanteri

His canonization would spread his message of God's infinite mercy to even more people, accompanied by the hope, love and self-reflection that comes with knowing God on a personal level. Vocations to the Oblates would ensure this needed message of spiritual accompaniment and encouragement will continue.

If you are interested in joining with us for these special tasks, please do let us know and join the growing movement. *We need your talent!*

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Contact with the Guild: lanterians@omvusa.org

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Jan. 22

8:00 AM Grace McKinney
9:15 AM +Paul Michael West
10:30 AM Mary Carr
11:45 AM +Mrs. Williams
1:15 PM Special Intention for a mother
4:00 PM +Joseph Timilty

5:30 PM +Edgar Odelia Castillo

Monday, Jan. 23

8:00 AM Roberta Carrara 12:05 PM +Maggia Bellotti 4:45 PM +Tim & +Ann Murphy-Callahan

Tuesday, Jan. 24

8:00 AM Sio Bhan & Family O'Shea **12:05 PM** Kevin George **4:45 PM** The Crimmins Family

Wednesday, Jan. 25

8:00 AM Mary Hyland **12:05 PM** The Tonelli Family **4:45 PM** +Daniel Baroni

Thursday, Jan. 26

8:00 AM Norma Montano **12:05 PM** Michael Reid **4:45 PM** Allie Crimmins

Friday, Jan. 27

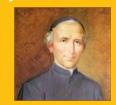
8:00 AM +Patricia Mucci 12:05 PM +Russell Eidell 4:45 PM +Ana Lucia Gaitain de Chavarro

Saturday, Jan. 28

9:00 AM Janice Theresa Bautista success 12:00 PM +Ercilia Nunez & +Leoncio Huaman 4:00 PM +Anthony & +Helen Lupi

5:30 PM +Jesus Levant Aragon Alcorn

Prayer Before Mass

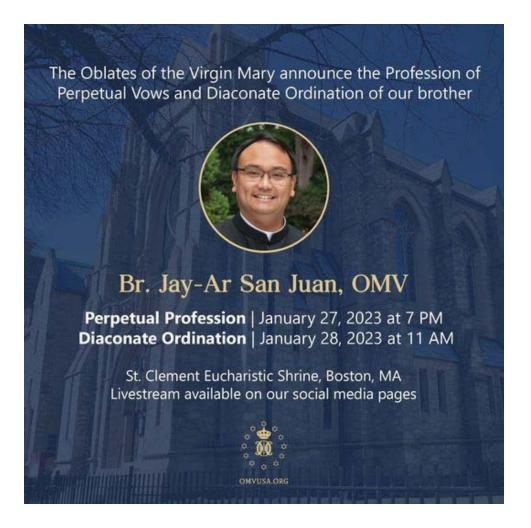


by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

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.



Br. Jay-Ar was born and raised in the city of Bandar Seri Begawan in the sultanate of Brunei Darussalam. His family are members of Couples for Christ, an international Catholic lay ecclesial movement originating from the Philippines, and he was a member of their Kids for Christ and Youth for Christ ministries. In 2008, his family migrated to Vancouver, Canada, where he earned an AA from Corpus Christi College and a BA from Christ the King Seminary. He first learned about the Oblates through the VISION Vocations Network, and was attracted to their spirituality and community life. Br. Jay-Ar entered the Oblates in September of 2017, began his novitiate year in August 2018, and professed his first vows in August 2019.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church On Religious Consecration

CCC 873 The very differences which the Lord has willed to put between the members of his body serve its unity and mission. For "in the Church there is diversity of ministry but unity of mission. To the apostles and their successors Christ has entrusted the office of teach-

ing, sanctifying and governing in his name and by his power. But the laity are made to share in the priestly, prophetical, and kingly office of Christ; they have therefore, in the Church and in the world, their own assignment in the mission of the whole People of God." Finally, "from both groups [hierarchy and laity] there



exist Christian faithful who are consecrated to God in their own special manner and serve the salvific mission of the Church through the profession of the evangelical counsels."

CCC 915 Christ proposes the evangelical counsels, in their great variety, to every disciple. The perfection of charity, to which all the faithful are called, entails for those who freely follow the call to consecrated life the obligation of practicing chastity in celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom, poverty and obedience. It is the profession of these counsels, within a permanent state of life recognized by the Church, that characterizes the life consecrated to God.

CCC 944 The life consecrated to God is characterized by the public profession of the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience, in a stable state of life recognized by the Church.

CCC 925 Religious life was born in the East during the first centuries of Christianity. Lived within institutes canonically erected by the Church, it is distinguished from other forms of consecrated life by its liturgical character, public profession of the evangelical counsels, fraternal life led in common, and witness given to the union of Christ with the Church.

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