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"Jesus Wept." John 11:35

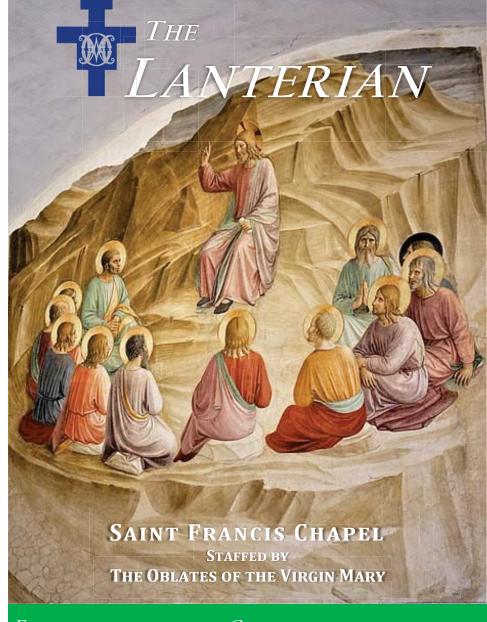
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FEBRUARY 12, 2023 Sixth Sunday

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, Stacev Ibe

Cleaning of Chapel Environment: Nubia Viasus

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February:



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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Sermon on the Mount. Fresco by Fra Angelico, San Marco Museum, Florence. Photo by Barnos, 2021. Wikimedia.



Reflection by Venerable Bruno Lanteri

Cultivate a spirit of familiarity with God, with Jesus Christ, especially representing him often to yourself in his sufferings. Direct your affairs to him. Ask light and strength from him. Observe how he would act were he in your situation. Ask him for his Spirit in your actions. Note down those acts. Indicate them to your spiritual director. Speak often of this virtue of familiarity with Christ, and strive to exercise it especially with the exercise of the theological virtues. Seek occasions to practice

this virtue, and monitor the days and the weeks of this practice in your journal.

Initial desires are generally strong and hasty, and so we must guard against coming to ruin on account of them. We seek to clear away in two days the roots of the desire, to find ourselves pure, humble, and tranquil after a short time. This is presumption disguised under the mask of holiness and fervor: it is most harmful and causes the abandonment of the good which has been undertaken. In this regard one must not seek to fly if one does not have wings. God does not will that the one who comes to him be immediately free from evil inclinations, but rather he maintains them, so that this person may have to struggle for many years in order to foster humility and gain a crown. Let a person therefore be content to have such continual enemies. Let him be resolved to endure them bravely, going forth ever armed against them, never consenting to that which would be against reason, having always for his guiding rule what is just, and not that which is merely pleasing.

Let him learn to go forward even with his faults, and never halt along the road on account of them; if a man does not know well this art, which is the most difficult, he runs the risk of turning back. It must be presupposed that he is going to commit faults, since only in heaven is it given to serve God without them. Whence we must learn to fall, yes, but to lift ourselves up immediately, to seek forgiveness without a sense of unexpected surprise or feelings of bitter affliction, nor giving up, no matter how many or great the falls may be, but rather to humble ourselves, repent, and raise ourselves up yet more alienated from them, if our courage be sufficient, since this is great wisdom and an excellent means for making progress. 6

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!

Contact at the Chapel: stfrancis@omvusa.org

Contact with the Guild: lanterians@omvusa.org

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Feb. 12

8:00 AM +Judy Pais 9:15 AM Peter & Juany—pregnancy health 10:30 AM +Marie Evangelista

11:45 AM + Domenico A. Fanelli

1:15 PM +Alfonso Rodriguez

4:00 PM John Ryan

5:30 PM +Antonio Ozaeta—birth anniv.

Monday, Feb. 13

8:00 AM +Robert Callara 12:05 PM +Maureen Hunter—anniv. 4:45 PM +Charles Beretsos

Tuesday, Feb. 14

8:00 AM John & Joanne Bleach **12:05 PM** Christopher Bush—birthday **4:45 PM** Therecia & Family

Wednesday, Feb. 15

8:00 AM +Samuel, +Raul, +Clarisa Mejia **12:05 PM** Anna Montano **4:45 PM** +Ligia Canstano—1 year anniv.

Thursday, Feb. 16

8:00 AM Ary-Lex Auguste & Family **12:05 PM** For protection of Police **4:45 PM** +Ligia Betancup

Friday, Feb. 17

8:00 AM George Meloncourt & Family **12:05 PM** +Bernardo Quintero **4:45 PM** +Clem Cheng

Saturday, Feb. 18

9:00 AM Renee Cheng 12:00 PM Fred Bush—birthday 4:00 PM +Francesco Mogavero 5:30 PM Fabiola Posada

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.



Seeking Healing after Abortion?

Project Rachel Retreats offer hope, healing & reconciliation in a confidential setting...

Comments from Recent Participants

"I came to see I wasn't letting God heal me."

"I'm so glad I went. I could be honest, accepted and feel forgiveness".

"Thank you ... I will be reflecting on this day for the rest of my life."

"The retreat was something I always wanted to do – to unburden the load with others, and connect with the priest."

Spring 2023 Retreats

Saturday, March 11 Saturday, May 6 9:00AM – 5:00 PM



Sponsored by the Project Rachel Ministry - Archdiocese of Boston



Location is confidential. Pre-registration is required.

Trust in the tender mercy of God!

For more information:

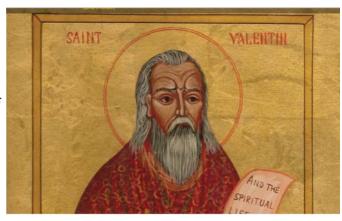
Project Rachel at (508) 651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats (March 11, May 6) Are you – or someone you know – suffering from post-abortion pain? The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat. Spring dates are March 11 and May 6. Locations are confidential. For more information onthe retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

Prayer to St. Valentine

O glorious advocate and protector, Saint Valentine, look with pity upon our wants, hear our requests, attend to our prayers, relieve by your intercession the miseries under which we labor, and obtain for us the Divine blessing, that we may be found worthy to join thee in praising the Almighty for all eternity; through the merits of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pray, then, O holy
Martyr, for the
faithful, who are so
persevering in celebrating thy
memory. The day of
Judgment will reveal to us all thy
glorious merits. Oh!
intercede for us,
that we may then
be made thy com-



panions at the right hand of the Great Judge, and be united with thee eternally in heaven.

Let us pray: Grant, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, that we who solemnize the festival of blessed Valentine, Thy Martyr, may, by his intercession, be delivered from all the evils that threaten us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Mention your intentions here)

Saint Valentine, advocate and protector, pray for us.

Concluding Prayer

Our Father Hail Mary Glory Be

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