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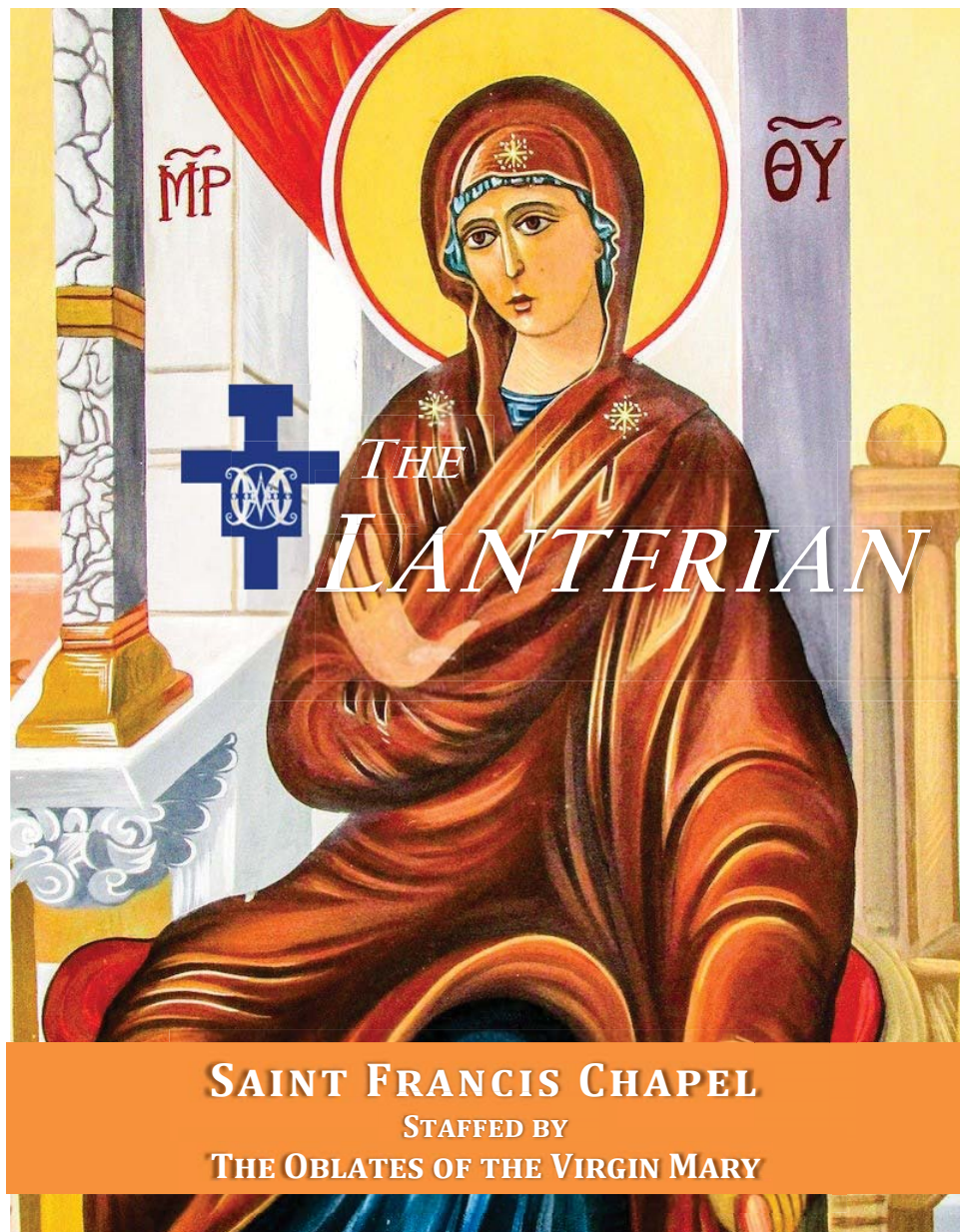

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JULY 9, 2023
Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



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Cleaning of Chapel

Environment: Nubia Viasus

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



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Blessed Virgin Mary. Daughter Zion. 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. 8:30 -11:50AM, 12:30-4:40PM
Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:30-3:30PM

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 - 4:30PM*;
Saturday 9:30AM - 6:00PM*;
Sunday 8:45AM - 6:00PM*
(*Closed during Masses)

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Reflection by Pope Benedict XVI

Today, I wish to ponder briefly with you on Mary's faith, starting from the great mystery of the Annunciation.

"*Chaïre kecharitomene, ho Kyrios meta sou*", "Hail, [rejoice] full of grace, the Lord is with you" (Lk 1:28). These are the words — recorded by Luke the Evangelist — with which the Archangel Gabriel addresses Mary. At first sight the term *chaire* "rejoice", seems an ordinary greeting, typical in the Greek world, but if this word is interpreted against the background of the biblical tradition it acquires a far deeper meaning. The same term occurs four times in the Greek version of the Old Testament and always as a proclamation of joy in the coming of the Messiah (cf. Zeph 3:14, Joel 2:21; Zech 9:9; Lam 4:21).

The Angel's greeting to Mary is therefore an invitation to joy, deep joy. It announces an end to the sadness that exists in the world because of life's limitations, suffering, death, wickedness, in all that seems to block out the light of the divine goodness. It is a greeting that marks the beginning of the Gospel, the Good News.

But why is Mary invited to rejoice in this way? The answer is to be found in the second part of the greeting: "The Lord is with you". Here too, if we are to understand correctly the meaning of these words we must turn to the Old Testament. In the Book of Zephaniah, we find these words "Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion.... The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst.... The Lord, your God, in your midst, a warrior who gives victory" (3:14-17). In these words a twofold promise is made to Israel, to the daughter of Zion: God will come as a saviour and will pitch his tent in his people's midst, in the womb of the daughter of Zion. This promise is fulfilled to the letter in the dialogue between the Angel and Mary. Mary is identified with the people espoused by God, she is truly the daughter of Zion in person; in her the expectation of the definitive coming of God is fulfilled, in her the Living God makes his dwelling place.

In the greeting of the Angel Mary is called "full of grace". In Greek, the term "grace", *charis*, has the same linguistic root as the word "joy". In this term too the source of Mary's exultation is further clarified: her joy comes from grace, that is, from being in communion with God, from having such a vital connection with him, from being the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, totally fashioned by God's action. Mary is the creature who opened the door to her Creator in a special way, placing herself in his hands without reserve. She lived entirely *from* and *in* her relationship with the Lord; she was disposed to listen, alert to recognizing the signs of God in the journey of his people; she was integrated into a history of faith and hope in God's promises with which the fabric of her life was woven. And she submitted freely to the word received, to the divine will in the obedience of faith.

Will You Be There?

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 10TH NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Join your Catholic brothers and sisters as we encounter the living Jesus Christ, experience profound renewal, and are sent out on mission for the life of the world. <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/>

EYES OPENED, Hearts on Fire

At the National Eucharistic Congress, the Church will draw into a deeper intimacy with our Eucharistic Lord, allowing our eyes to be opened and our hearts to be set on fire with his love.

The whole Congress will be an experience of prayer: a liturgical act offering the Catholic Church—those in attendance in Indianapolis as well as across the country—to the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. This reconsecration will result in a massive outpouring of grace and renewed missionary sending as participants are moved to share the Eucharistic love of the Lord “for the life of the world” (John 6:51).

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 9

8:00 AM +Robert Combe
9:15 AM +Harmony Montgomery
10:30 AM Jane & Martin Howrylak
11:45 AM Kathy & Tim VanderMolen
1:15 PM Cesar David Calderon—
cumpleanos
4:00 PM
5:30 PM

Monday, July 10

8:00 AM +Ron Lesniak
12:05 PM Cynthia Kerbel
4:45 PM +Ronald Eidell

Tuesday, July 11

8:00 AM Karl Feitelberg
12:05 PM Sonya Feitelberg
4:45 PM

Wednesday, July 12

8:00 AM +Sandra Maloy
12:05 PM +James Walsh
4:45 PM

Thursday, July 13

8:00 AM
12:05 PM MaryAnn Harold—healing
4:45 PM

Friday, July 14

8:00 AM +Miguel Angel Garcia
12:05 PM +Ignacia Guerra—anniv.
4:45 PM +David Scattergood & Wife

Saturday, July 15

9:00 AM Andrew Pagliccia
12:00 PM +Colleen Kennedy
4:00 PM Ruo Chen
5:30 PM +Ligia 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.

Litany to Mary, Queen

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

God, our Father in Heaven,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy on us.

Response for the following: Pray for us

Holy, Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Most honored of virgins,
Chosen daughter of the Father,
Mother of Christ the King,
Glory of the Holy Spirit,
Virgin daughter of Sion,
Virgin humble and poor ,
Virgin gentle and obedient,
Handmaid of the Lord,
Mother of the Lord,
Helper of the Redeemer,
(pause)
Full of grace,
Fountain of beauty,
Model of virtue,
First fruit of the redemption,
Perfect disciple of Christ,
Untarnished image of the Church,
Woman transformed, Woman clothed with the sun,

Woman crowned with stars,
Gentle Lady,
Gracious Lady,
Our Lady,
Joy of Israel,
Splendor of the Church,
Pride of the human race,
Advocate of grace,
Minister of holiness,
Champion of God's people,

(pause)
Queen of love,
Queen of mercy,
Queen of peace,
Queen of angels,
Queen of patriarchs and prophets,
Queen of apostles and martyrs,
Queen of confessors and virgins,
Queen of all saints,
Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen assumed into heaven,
Queen of all the earth,
Queen of heaven,
Queen of the universe,

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Pray for us, O glorious Mother of the Lord.
That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:
God of mercy,
listen to the prayers of your servants
who have honored your handmaid as mother and queen.
Grant that by your grace
we may serve you and our neighbor on earth
and be welcomed into your eternal kingdom.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

