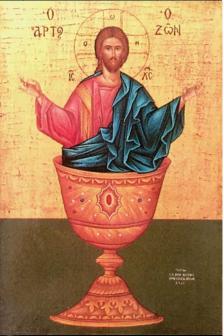
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SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

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Weekday Masses: Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

<u>Confessions:</u> **Mon.—Fri.** 8:40 -11:40AM, 12:40-4:25PM; After 4:45PM Mass by request **Saturday** 9:40 - 11:40 AM, 12:40-3:30PM **Sunday** By request in-between Masses

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM Saturday 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM

<u>Gift Shop Hours:</u> Monday—Friday 11:00AM - 5:30PM* Saturday 9:30AM - 6:30PM* Sunday 8:45AM - 6:30PM* (*Closed during Masses)

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August:

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.





Prayer Before Mass by Venerable Bruno Lanteri, Founder of the OMV

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.

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Religious Consecration

Paragraph 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.

Paragraph 916. The state of consecrated life is thus one way of experiencing a "more intimate" consecration, rooted in Baptism and dedicated totally to God. In the consecrated life, Christ's faithful, moved by the Holy Spirit, propose to follow Christ more nearly, to give themselves to God who is loved above all and, pursuing the perfection of charity in the service of the Kingdom, to signify and proclaim in the Church the glory of the world to come.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 4, 2024

8:00 AM - + Therese
9:15 AM - + Mark Lange
10:30 AM - + Memorial Tree Names and Benefactors
11:45 AM - Rich Bertone—health
1:15 PM - + Bernardo Quintero
4:00 PM - Fr Isaac Abu, OMV
5:30 PM - Horsely family—living and deceased

Monday, August 5

8:00 AM - Fr Tim Gallagher OMV
12:05 PM – Therecia Meloncourt
4:45 PM - + Tu Kun– Men

Tuesday, August 6

8:00 AM - Matty McGoona– birthday 12:05 PM– + David Scattergood 4:45 PM - Sulianty

Wednesday, August 7

8:00 AM - Jennifer Buntich—health
12:05 PM - Heidi McGraw—health
4:45 PM- + Fr Daniel Mahoney

Thursday, August 8

8:00 AM - + Esperanza Zuazo, + Javier & + Maria 12:05 PM - + Luigi & + Maria Della Peruta — Wedding Anniversary 4:45 PM- Dominic Della Peruta— Name Day

Friday, August 9

8:00 AM - + Sandra Maloy 12:05 PM - + Esperanza & + Amparo Zuazo 4:45 PM - + Jeffrey Quinn

Saturday, August 10

9:00 AM - Souls in Purgatory 12:00 PM - +Teddy Chagnon

4:00 PM - Ruochen

5:30 PM - Nubia Gallego y Luzmila— Salud

My dear Brothers and Sisters!

We can always find something to be grateful for! I have always known the chapel to be a special place... I guess ever since I first visited it in 1997 when I came to the OMV Seminary on Boylston St to discern my vocation. Now that I am assigned here and have been ministering here for almost two months - I am even more impressed and so grateful. Daily I meet people who work here in or around the Pru or live nearby as well as people from all over the world. Many of them come here not only for Holy Mass and Adoration, but also for Confession. It's so beautiful. Indeed this is a place of God's Mercy! It's a place of true leaven in the world. A friend dropped by the other day and saw the chapel for the first time and said this is the chapel with the tallest tower anywhere! Pretty cool! In the bulletin this week we're sharing a few photographs from last Saturday's priestly ordination at our OMV parish in Hawaiian Gardens, CA of OMV Fathers Jorge Sanchez and Jonathon Hank. Blessed be God! Among your prayer intentions please pray for them and for Andrew Olson, who will make his first profession of religious vows this Monday over at St Clement's (You're all invited!). And pray always for more religious and priests and holy marriages!

¡Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas!

¡Siempre podemos encontrar algo por lo que estar agradecidos! Siempre he sabido que la capilla es un lugar especial... Supongo que desde que la visité por primera vez en 1997, cuando vine al Seminario OMV en Boylston St para discernir mi vocación. Ahora que estoy asignado aquí y he estado ministrando aquí durante casi dos meses, estoy aún más impresionado y muy agradecido. Diariamente conozco gente que trabaja aquí en Pru o sus alrededores o que vive cerca, así como gente de todo el mundo. Muchos de ellos vienen aquí no sólo para la Santa Misa y la Adoración, sino también para la Confesión. Es tan hermoso. ¡De hecho, este es un lugar de la Misericordia de Dios! Es un lugar de verdadera levadura en el mundo. Un amigo pasó por aquí el otro día y vio la capilla por primera vez y dijo que ¡esta es la capilla con la torre más alta del mundo! ¡Muy genial! En el boletín de esta semana compartimos algunas fotografías de la ordenación sacerdotal del sábado pasado en nuestra parroquia OMV en Hawaiian Gardens, CA, de los padres de OMV Jorge Sánchez y Jonathon Hank. ¡Bendito sea Dios! Entre sus intenciones de oración, ore por ellos y por Andrew Olson, quien hará su primera profesión de votos religiosos este lunes en St Clement's (jestán todos invitados!). ¡Y orar siempre por más religiosos y sacerdotes y santos matrimonios!

August is the Month Dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

A Reflection on Constancy of Heart by Venerable Bruno Lanteri

A ready and generous heart is of excellent quality, but of little benefit to eternal salvation, if it does not take on the quality of also being firm and constant; of this truth, even the damned can bear witness, who hear the cries of those *who began to build and could not*, or to put it better, *"they began to build and could not finish,"* or began well and ended badly. Rare among Christians are those who have ever set foot on the path of virtue; the majority, at one age or another, have tasted *how sweet is the Lord*. He has tasted the sweetness of virtue and piety, but what if the greater part is lost through lack of perseverance? It is true that this cannot be the fruit of our free will, being a very special gift of God which is also graciously g ranted to the just, and not out of justice, yet in the hands of free will aided by grace lies the distancing from those rocks that can cause shipwreck. The use of those means that greatly contribute to perseverance, and in particular to prayer in which one asks God for such a gift.



The main advocate to obtain this gift of perseverance is the Mother of God, who possesses it in a most perfect degree, while she was confirmed in grace: *I am established in Zion*. That God who entered to take possession of her Heart and planted an immobile pavilion there never to leave there again, *He rested in my tabernacle*. Even under the Cross she gave heroic proof of her invincible constancy: *His mother Mary was standing near the cross*. Spend some time today to observe whether your bearing is that of a constant heart, or a wavering one. Review the charts of your resolutions, and they will tell you whether you have firmness of virtue. The most frequent ejaculatory prayers are:

- * Confirm oh God this work in us.
- * My God, give firmness to those good movements that You deign to instill in me.
- * Fix my resolve with fear of You.
- * *Oh, nail my instability once with the point of your holy fear.*

Have recourse to Mary three times on this day with five *Ave Maria's* for each time, and adding this short request: *Take root in your chosen one; let every virtue take deep root in me*.

Prayer to Our Lady from Venerable Bruno

I adore and venerate you,

Mary, Most Holy, in the great mystery worked by the Holy Spirit in the Incarnation of the Divine Word, and rejoicing in the dignity to which He elevated you as Mother of God. I beg you to move with your intercession, the Holy Spirit to work in me, according to his Holy Will. Angelus: Ave Maria...

In union with that humble resignation with which you offered yourself to the working that the Holy Spirit wanted to do in you, Mary Most Holy One, I too offer myself to all that He disposes to do in me. Pray to Him, my dear Mother, and present my heart to Him as a capable subject of His divine working; and I intend to consent to His holy wishes by saying with You: Behold the handmaid...

Most high God, I adore your extreme condescension in taking human flesh, and subjecting yourself to so many sufferings to communicate yourself to us miserable creatures. I offer you your own merits and those of Mary Most Holy, that profound act of most humble adoration that She made, receiving You into her womb, and I beg You to make me a participant in the gifts of the Holy Spirit that you reserved for me, and to remove from me all obstacles to his divine working. And The word became flesh...



The Priestly Ordination of OMV Fathers Jonathon Hank and Jorge Sanchez St. Peter Chanel Church, Hawaiian Gardens, CA July 27, 2024



In his June 2009 encyclical *Caritas in Veritate*, Pope Benedict XVI reminds the world that poverty will not be eradicated unless we rediscover and protect the sanctity of life at every level. Dismissing the unborn as less

than human and allowing abortion impedes the work of social justice. He points out with urgency, "While the poor of the world continue knocking on the

doors of the rich, the world of affluence runs the risk of no longer hearing those knocks, on account of a conscience that can no longer distinguish what is human."





Ven. Bruno Anniversary of Death is August 5

O Father, fountain of all life and holiness, you gave Venerable Bruno Lanteri great faith in Christ, your Son, a lively hope, and an active love for the salvation of his brethren. You made him a prophet of your word and a witness to your mercy. He had a tender love for Mary and by his very life he taught fidelity to the Church. Father, hear the prayer of Your family and, through the intercession of Venerable Lanteri, grant us the grace for which we now ask (name petition here). May he be raised to the altars that we may give You greater praise. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Chapel Gift Shop Item of the Week

"Two Hearts" Rosaries

The "Two Hearts" image is a detail of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and Sacred Heart of Jesus from a

painting of St. Ignatius, the Two Hearts and Venerable Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. The original painting hangs in the Mother House of the Oblates in Pinerolo, Italy. A replica hangs in St. Francis Chapel, Boston.



The rosaries come in a variety of wood, crystal and glass beads with a pewter crucifix and center featuring an image of the Two Hearts of Mary and Jesus.

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