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SEPTEMBER 1, 2024—TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY

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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. 8:40 -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

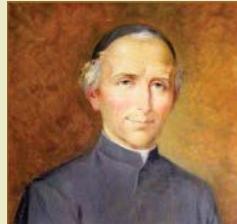
Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 11:00AM - 5:30PM*

Saturday 9:30AM - 6:30PM*

Sunday 8:30AM - 6:30PM*

(*Closed during Masses)



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.

Welcome to the Chapel! Whether you are one of our daily or weekly faithful or visiting from the other side of the globe, or anywhere in between, thank you for joining us in prayer! We are blessed by you all! Many comment on the blessing of Christ's Sacramental presence and the love, mercy and peace they encounter in "The Chapel in the Mall." The Chapel has remained open here since 1969, entirely due to God's Providence working through your prayers, goodness, gratitude and generosity. The payment of our monthly rent, utilities and all expenses depends on Mass collections, (including the box by the door), online donations (including the QR codes), major gifts, candles, the kiosks in the vestibule, the gift shop (check it out!) and the Benefactors Memorial Tree in the vestibule. Thank you for your support of our ministry here. We are not able to serve here without you! Pray for us! God bless you!

St Francis Chapel here in the Prudential Center has been staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary (OMV) since 1983. It is truly a place of mercy and peace. People attend and visit from all over Boston, the USA and the world. They attend Holy Mass, Adore the Lord Jesus, light a candle and oftentimes take advantage of our OMV Charism of Mercy, "beginning again" in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Miracles occur in the confessional. In addition to this Chapel, the OMV serve at St Clement Eucharistic Shrine a few blocks from here, which is also our US Seminary, in Milton MA at our St. Joseph Retreat House as well as in Los Angeles, CA, Denver, CO, Alton, IL and Venice, FL. Additionally OMV priests and brothers minister in Italy, where we were founded in 1826, Austria, France, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Nigeria, The Philippines and England. Learn more at OMVUSA.org.

Happy Labor Day! September 2

Masses: 9:00 AM, 12:00 PM

Confessions & Adoration:

9:40 AM—11:40 AM

The Chapel closes after the noon Mass.



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 1, 2024

8:00 AM - Cecilia & +Antonio Ozaeta
9:15 AM - Br. Tony Dolan—health
10:30 AM - For Those Named on the Memorial Tree and Chapel Benefactors
11:45 AM - Jaime Alberto Arroyave Velasquez

1:15 PM - +Guillermo Gomez
4:00 PM - Marry Connolly
5:30 PM - + Edgar Castillo y + Odilia Bolivar

Monday, September 2 - Labor Day

9:00 AM - Talia Novellino—health
12:00PM - + Momed Faquir

Tuesday, September 3

8:00 AM - +Marco Celio Passi
12:05 PM - +Marybeth Mas Marques
4:45 PM - Angela Flavin

Wednesday, September 4

8:00 AM - Dr. Rafael Cerón
12:05 PM - Lana & +Saleh
4:45 PM - Emily Shen—health

Thursday, September 5

8:00 AM - Tegoni Family
12:05 PM - Paul florentine
4:45 PM - Ryan Lynn- potection and healing

Friday, September 6

8:00 AM - +Frederick & +Nancy Kelly
12:05 PM - In Honor of Bl. Carlo Acutis
4:45 PM - +Raul Mejia

Saturday, September 7

9:00 AM - +Peter & +Mina Baudanza
12:00 PM - Poor Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM - +Lupe Lemos
5:30 PM - +Ercilia Nuñez & +Leoncio Huaman

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September:

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



Reflection by Fr. Jeremy Paulin, OMV

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows, celebrating her feast on September 15. This devotion encourages us to reflect on the love and suffering of the Virgin Mary. Christian art depicts Mary's heart pierced by seven swords, representing these seven sorrows. Please find the Seven Sorrows devotion elsewhere in this bulletin. This beautiful devotion dates back to the 13th century, but Christians have always honored and shared Mary's love for her Son.

College students are returning to Boston and I am struck by their visits to the Chapel for Mass and Confession. Many are freshmen, some coming with their parents, who, concerned for their souls and their salvation, make sure they know their way to the Chapel. They're delighted to find this Catholic haven so close to their children, and I'm struck by this holy concern. I also see the pride in the parent's eyes at their child's accomplishments and their great hopes for their futures. Probably part of their parental concern is the unknown as well, and the temptations and attacks their children will face in this foray away from home. St Peter tells us the "devil is prowling like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour, resist him, solid in your faith." (1 Pet 5:8) Perhaps you know someone who has left the Faith, maybe having lost it in college. Our patience, prayers, sacrifices and merciful attitude will protect them and help bring them back.

In all of this, September, with its ancient tradition of devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows, is a perfect time for mothers and fathers to watch their children take these important steps in their journey to adulthood and the finding of their vocation and career. Mother Mary knows all your heartache and the love and hope you have for your children and family. She knows it because of the immeasurable love she has for her Son, Jesus, in her own Immaculate Heart pierced by swords of sorrow at His sufferings for Love of the Father, her and us all. Further, she loves our children more than we do!

People have been coming to the gift shop inquiring about religious items for their children's dorm rooms. We have many suitable items, including rosaries, icons, books, holy water bottles (filled), cards, crucifixes, Tiny Saints, Surrender Novenas and more. We ask Our Lady of Sorrows to help us to trust Jesus in everything as we pray in the Surrender Novena. "O Jesus I surrender myself to you, take care of everything." Yes, Jesus, take care of everything, including our children.

Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us!



La Iglesia Católica dedica el mes de septiembre a Nuestra Señora de los Dolores, celebrando su fiesta el 15 de septiembre. Esta devoción nos anima a reflexionar sobre el amor y el sufrimiento de la Virgen María. El arte cristiano representa el corazón de María atravesado por siete espadas, que representan estos siete dolores. Encuentre la devoción a los Siete Dolores en otra parte de este boletín. Esta hermosa devoción se remonta al siglo XIII, pero los cristianos siempre han honrado y compartido el amor de María por su Hijo.

Los estudiantes universitarios están regresando a Boston y me sorprenden sus visitas a la Capilla para la Misa y la Confesión. Muchos son estudiantes de primer año, algunos vienen con sus padres, quienes, preocupados por sus almas y su salvación, se aseguran de que conozcan el camino a la Capilla. Están encantados de encontrar este refugio católico tan cerca de sus hijos, y a mí me impresiona esta santa preocupación. También veo el orgullo en los ojos de los padres por los logros de sus hijos y sus grandes esperanzas para el futuro. Probablemente parte de la preocupación de sus padres sea también lo desconocido, y las tentaciones y ataques que sus hijos enfrentarán en esta incursión fuera de casa. San Pedro nos dice que "el diablo ronda como león rugiente, buscando a quien devorar, resistidlo, sólidos en la fe". (1 Pedro 5:8) Quizás conozcas a alguien que haya abandonado la fe, tal vez habiéndola perdido en la universidad. Nuestra paciencia, oraciones, sacrificios y actitud misericordiosa los protegerán y ayudarán a traerlos de regreso.

En todo esto, septiembre, con su antigua tradición de devoción a Nuestra Señora de los Dolores, es un momento perfecto para que las madres y los padres vean a sus hijos dar estos importantes pasos en su viaje hacia la edad adulta y la búsqueda de su vocación y carrera. La Madre María conoce todo tu dolor y el amor y la esperanza que tienes por tus hijos y tu familia. Lo sabe por el amor incommensurable que tiene a su Hijo, Jesús, en su propio Corazón Inmaculado traspasado por espadas de dolor ante Sus sufrimientos por Amor al Padre, a ella y a todos nosotros. Además, ¡ella ama a nuestros hijos más que nosotros!

La gente ha estado viniendo a la tienda de regalos preguntando sobre artículos religiosos para los dormitorios de sus hijos. Disponemos de muchos artículos adecuados, incluidos rosarios, iconos, libros, botellas de agua bendita (llenas) y tarjetas. crucifijos, Tiny Saints, Novenas de Abandono y más. Le pedimos a Nuestra Señora de los Dolores que nos ayude a confiar en Jesús en todo mientras rezamos en la Novena de Abandono. "Oh Jesús, me entrego a ti, ocúpate de todo". Sí, Jesús, ocúpate de todo, incluidos nuestros hijos.

¡Nuestra Señora de los Dolores, ruega por nosotros!



*The Surrender Novena and
Our Lady of Sorrows Chaplet*



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CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

2426 The development of economic activity and growth in production are meant to provide for the needs of human beings. Economic life is not meant solely to multiply goods produced and increase profit or power; it is ordered first of all to the service of persons, of the whole man, and of the entire human community. Economic activity, conducted according to its own proper methods, is to be exercised within the limits of the moral order, in keeping with social justice so as to correspond to God's plan for man.

2427 Human work proceeds directly from persons created in the image of God and called to prolong the work of creation by subduing the earth, both with and for one another. Hence work is a duty: "If any one will not work, let him not eat." Work honors the Creator's gifts and the talents received from him. It can also be redemptive. By enduring the hardship of work in union with Jesus, the carpenter of Nazareth and the one crucified on Calvary, man collaborates in a certain fashion with the Son of God in his redemptive work. He shows himself to be a disciple of Christ by carrying the cross, daily, in the work he is called to accomplish. Work can be a means of sanctification and a way of animating earthly realities with the Spirit of Christ.

2428 In work, the person exercises and fulfills in part the potential inscribed in his nature. The primordial value of labor stems from man himself, its author and its beneficiary. Work is for man, not man for work.

Everyone should be able to draw from work the means of providing for his life and that of his family, and of serving the human community.



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September is Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin

The Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin, also called the Little Rosary, is a meditation on the pains Mary suffered during the Life, Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus. These are the Seven Swords, which the prophet Simeon said would pierce Her Immaculate Heart. Yet through these pains, Mary always remained faithful and hopeful. By walking this journey with our Blessed Mother, she can teach us how hope always remains, even amidst the pains and trials we endure everyday in our lives. A hope that is rooted in faith and hope in Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



The Chaplet is a series of seven “decades” of seven beads. Each decade consists begins with one Our Father, followed by seven Hail Marys, concluded with a Verse to Our Lady. The Chaplet ends with The Hail Holy Queen and three Hail Marys honoring the tears shed by the Blessed Mother during Her trials.

Act of Contrition: O my God I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of Heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend Thee my God, Who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to confess my sins, to do penance and to amend my life. Amen.

V. O God, come to my assistance;

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

R. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

The First Sorrow of Mary - St. Simeon's Prophecy In the Temple St. Simeon had received the Divine Child in his arms and predicted that this Child would be a sign (of God) which shall be contradicted by men. “Behold this Child is set ... for a sign which shall be contradicted. And Thy own soul a sword shall pierce.” (Lk. 2:34-35).

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me, and let me bear Thee company to mourn Thy Jesus’ death with Thee.

The Second Sorrow of Mary - The Flight of Jesus into Egypt “Let us now consider the second sword of sorrow which wounded Mary, the flight of Her Infant Jesus into Egypt to escape the persecution by Herod.”

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ... **Verse:** My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

The Third Sorrow of Mary - The Loss of Jesus in the Temple The third sorrow was one of the greatest that Mary had to endure in Her life, the loss of Her Son in the temple. Having lost Her Son for three days, She was deprived of His most sweet presence.

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

The Fourth Sorrow of Mary - The Meeting of Mary and Jesus on the Way to Calvary The greater Her love for Him, the greater Her grief at the sight of His sufferings, especially when She met Him on that dolorous way, dragging His cross to the place of execution. This is the fourth sorrow on which we are to meditate.

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

The Fifth Sorrow of Mary - The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus “There stood by the cross of Jesus, His Mother” (Jn. 19:25). St. John did not feel it necessary to say more than these words with reference to the martyrdom of Mary. Picture Her now at the foot of the cross beside Her dying Son, and then ask yourself if there can ever be sorrow like Her sorrow. Remain for a while on Calvary and consider the fifth sword which transfixed the heart of Mary — the death of Jesus.

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

The Sixth Sorrow of Mary - The Piercing of the Side of Jesus, and His Descent from the Cross We must now consider the sixth sorrow which weighed upon the heart of Our Blessed Lady. On this day, You will be wounded with another sword of sorrow. A cruel lance will pierce the side of Your dead Son, and You will receive Him in Your arms after He has been taken down from the cross.

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

The Seventh Sorrow of Mary - The Burial of Jesus Let us meditate now on Mary’s last sword of sorrow. She has witnessed the death of Her Son on the cross. She has embraced His lifeless body for the last time. Now She has to leave Him in the tomb.

One Our Father ... Seven Hail Marys ...

Verse: My Mother! share Thy grief with me...

Hail Holy Queen, Mother of mercy, Our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us. And after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement O loving O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us oh holy mother of God. **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray O God, at whose Passion, according to the prophecy of Simeon, a sword of sorrow did pierce through the most sweet soul of the glorious Virgin and Mother Mary; grant that we, who commemorate and reverence Her sorrows, may experience the blessed effect of Thy Passion, who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

Pray Three Hail Mary's in honor of the tears shed by Our Lady in Her Sorrows.

Los 7 Dolores de la Virgen María

1er Dolor: La profecía de Simeón en la presentación del Niño Jesús

Virgen María: por el dolor que sentiste cuando Simeón te anunció que una espada de dolor atravesaría tu alma, por los sufrimientos de Jesús, y ya en cierto modo te manifestó que tu participación en nuestra redención sería a base de dolor; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, haz que seamos dignos hijos tuyos y sepamos imitar tus virtudes.
Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

2do Dolor: La huida a Egipto con Jesús y José

Virgen María: por el dolor que sentiste cuando tuviste que huir precipitadamente tan lejos, pasando grandes penalidades, sobre todo al ser tu Hijo tan pequeño; al poco de nacer, ya era perseguido de muerte el que precisamente había venido a traernos vida eterna; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, haz que sepamos huir siempre de las tentaciones del demonio.

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

3er Dolor: La pérdida de Jesús

Virgen María: por las lágrimas que derramaste y el dolor que sentiste al perder a tu Hijo; tres días buscándolo angustiada; pensarías qué le habría podido ocurrir en una edad en que todavía dependía de tu cuidado y de San José; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, haz que los jóvenes no se pierdan por malos caminos.

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

4to Dolor: El encuentro de Jesús con la cruz a cuestas camino del calvario

Virgen María: por las lágrimas que derramaste y el dolor que sentiste al ver a tu Hijo cargado con la cruz, como cargado con nuestras culpas, llevando el instrumento de su propio suplicio de muerte; Él, que era creador de la vida, aceptó por nosotros sufrir este desprecio tan grande de ser condenado a muerte y precisamente muerte de cruz, después de haber sido azotado como si fuera un malhechor y, siendo verdadero Rey de reyes, coronado de espinas; ni la mejor corona del mundo hubiera sido suficiente para honrarle y ceñírsela en su frente; en cambio, le dieron lo peor del mundo clavándole las espinas en la frente y, aunque le ocasionarían un gran dolor físico, aún mayor sería el dolor espiritual por ser una burla y una humillación tan grande; sufrió y se humilló hasta lo indecible, para levantarnos a nosotros del pecado; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, haz que seamos dignos vasallos de tan gran Rey y sepamos ser humildes como Él lo fue.

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

5to Dolor: La crucifixión y la agonía de Jesús

Virgen María: por las lágrimas que derramaste y el dolor que sentiste al ver la crueldad de clavar los clavos en las manos y pies de tu amadísimo Hijo, y luego al verle agonizando en la cruz; para darnos vida a nosotros, llevó su pasión hasta la muerte, y éste era el momento cumbre de su pasión; Tú misma también te sentirías morir de dolor en aquel momento; te acompañamos en este dolor. Y, por los méritos del mismo, no permitas que jamás muramos por el pecado y haz que podamos recibir los frutos de la redención.

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

6to Dolor: La lanzada y el recibir en brazos a Jesús ya muerto

Virgen María: por las lágrimas que derramaste y el dolor que sentiste al ver la lanzada que dieron en el corazón de tu Hijo; sentirías como si la hubieran dado en tu propio corazón; el Corazón Divino, símbolo del gran amor que Jesús tuvo ya no solamente a Ti como Madre, sino también a nosotros por quienes dio la vida; y Tú, que habías tenido en tus brazos a tu Hijo sonriente y lleno de bondad, ahora te lo devolvían muerto, víctima de la maldad de algunos hombres y también víctima de nuestros pecados; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, haz que sepamos amar a Jesús como El nos amo.

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

7mo Dolor: El entierro de Jesús y la soledad de María

Virgen María: por las lágrimas que derramaste y el dolor que sentiste al enterrar a tu Hijo; El, que era creador, dueño y señor de todo el universo, era enterrado en tierra; llevó su humillación hasta el último momento; y aunque Tú supieras que al tercer día resucitaría, el trance de la muerte era real; te quitaron a Jesús por la muerte más injusta que se haya podido dar en todo el mundo en todos los siglos; siendo la suprema inocencia y la bondad infinita, fue torturado y muerto con la muerte más ignominiosa; tan caro pagó nuestro rescate por nuestros pecados; y Tú, Madre nuestra adoptiva le acompañaste en todos sus sufrimientos: y ahora te quedaste sola, llena de aflicción; te acompañamos en este dolor... Y, por los méritos del mismo, concédenos a cada uno de nosotros la gracia particular que te pedimos...

Dios te salve María, llena eres de gracia, El Señor es contigo, bendita tu eres entre todas las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa María Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte, Amén.

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