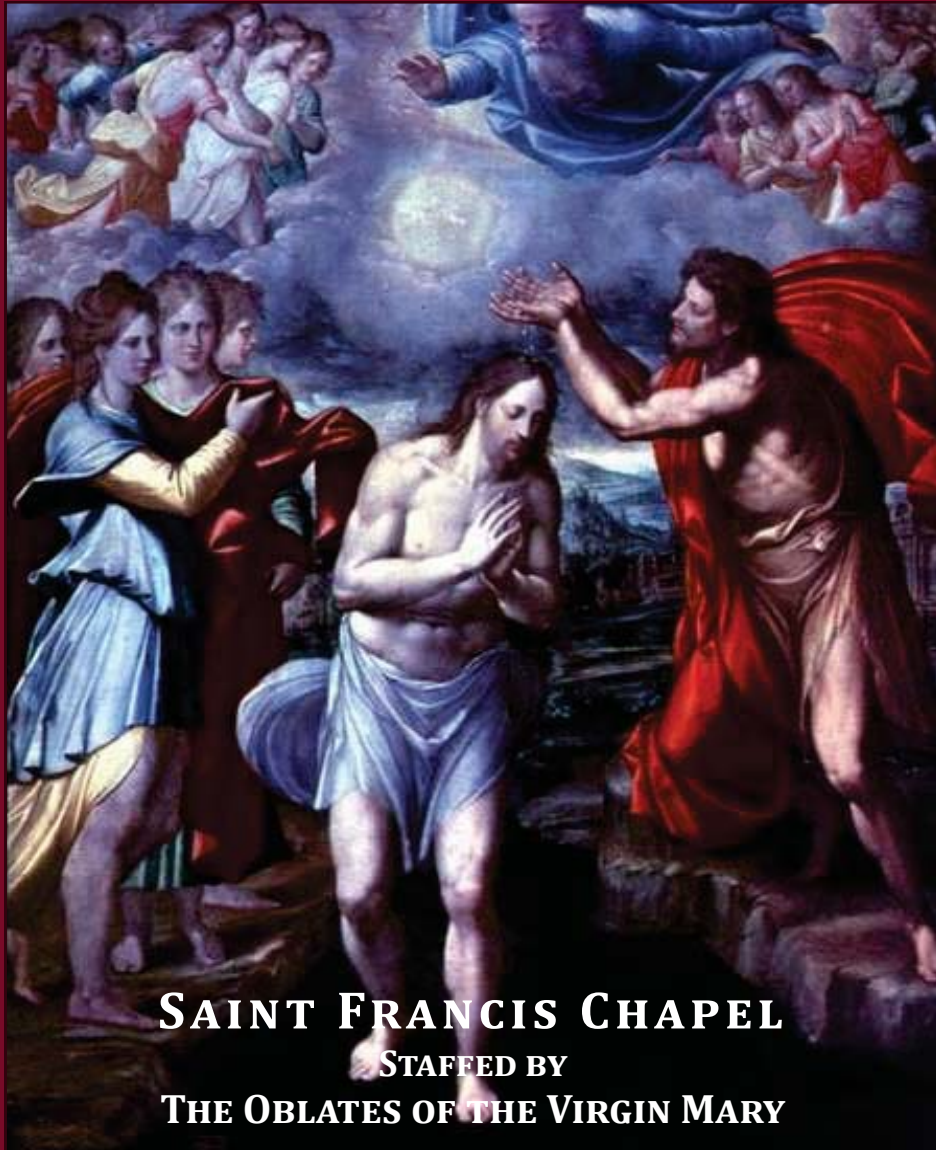


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SCHEDULE

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:

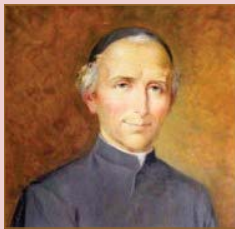
Monday—Friday 11:00AM - 5:30PM*

Saturday 9:30AM - 6:30PM*

Sunday 8:30AM - 6:30PM*

(*Closed during Masses)

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.



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!

OBLATES OF THE VIRGIN MARY OMV GALA BOSTON 2025

APRIL 26, 2025

SAVE THE DATE

Consider volunteering at the OMV Gala at the Seaport Hotel!

Volunteering at the Gala is a great way to serve God beside the Oblates, meet new Catholic people, and hear a wonderful guest speaker.

We offer a private Mass, transportation/parking costs if needed, and food and beverage during the event.

Volunteering for the Gala is a commitment of:

• Your presence on April 26

• 1 In-person training a weeknight before the event at St. Clement

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 12, 2025

8:00 AM - +Mary Barry

9:15 AM - +Angel Ramon Sanchez

10:30 AM - +Doris Maher Ferrigno

11:45 AM - +Charles Beretsos—anniv.

1:15 PM - +Margarita Arboleda—aniv.

4:00 PM - Alicia & Alfonso Fernandez—
50th wedding anniversary

5:30 PM - Souls in Purgatory

Monday, January 13

8:00 AM - Souls in Purgatory

12:05 PM - +Mary Ellen Ross

4:00 PM - Bane Family

Tuesday, January 14

8:00 AM - +Mary Lisanckie

12:05 PM - O'Byrne Family

4:45 PM - Roya Mansouri

Wednesday, January 15

8:00 AM - Louise Hippolito—birthday

12:05 PM - Len Nolan

4:45 PM - +John Keating

Thursday, January 16

8:00 AM - +Susie Gay Bogorad

12:05 PM - Freddie & Crissy

4:45 PM - +Vincencio Corona

Friday, January 17

8:00 AM - +Sofia Hernandez Cano

12:05 PM - +Kadouj Luh

4:45 PM - +Imants Židous

Saturday, January 18

9:00 AM - Sylvia Fernandez del Castillo

12:00 PM - Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM - +Anthony & +Helen Lupi

5:30 PM - +Ma. Rubiela Restrepo Berrio

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January:

For the Right to an Education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



Reflection by Fr. Jeremy Paulin, OMV

My dear Baptismal Brothers and Sisters,

Blessings on your celebration of the Baptism of the Lord Jesus! The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 536) teaches us that "The baptism of Jesus is on his part the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allows himself to be numbered among sinners; he is already "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world". Already he is anticipating the "baptism" of his bloody death. Already he is coming to "fulfil all righteousness", that is, he is submitting himself entirely to his Father's will: out of love he consents to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins." Jesus, the Son of God and sinless did not need baptism, but shows us how to begin our sharing in his life, in our Baptism, being claimed by God, as water is poured over our head and the priest says, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Truly at that moment too, our almighty and merciful father looked upon each one of us and said 'Behold, my beloved.' Tomorrow begins ordinary time until Wednesday, March 5, when we begin our Lenten Journey toward Christ's salvific passion, death and resurrection. Please take some time to ponder God's goodness, that in your baptism he loves you so much, that he has claimed you as his own, and has given you every grace and gift you need to grow, remain and thrive in holiness! Renew your trust in his mercy for you and his providence and try to surrender and trust and even more in Him in the coming year.

Thank you!

Thank you all for your generosity toward the Friends of the Unborn in Quincy. You gave 158 gift cards plus cash for the mothers and babies in distress who are helped by the Friends, for a total of about \$8,000. I am overwhelmed by your charity toward these babies and their mothers. May God reward you!

Thank you also for your end of the year donations to the Chapel, which make it possible for us to continue to offer the Heart of Jesus in the Gospel and Sacraments here in the heart of Boston. We are here only and entirely due to your generosity in the collections, your major gifts and your gift shop purchases.

Chapel Renovation and Sale

As we prepare for our chapel renovation the week of Feb 3 - 7, we are offering a 25% discount on some items in the gift shop: statues (in the statue case), wall-hangings (plaques, crucifixes, holy water fonts and stained glass roundels) and Christmas items. Your purchases always go toward supporting the chapel, and now you'll help us clean out the gift shop to prepare for its painting and new floor.

May God bless you and your family and rekindle within you the great graces of your Baptism and Confirmation!



Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas bautismales,

¡Bendiciones en tu celebración del Bautismo del Señor Jesús! El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (CCC 536) nos enseña que "El bautismo de Jesús es, por su parte, la aceptación y la inauguración de su misión de Siervo sufriente de Dios. Se deja contar entre los pecadores; es ya "el Cordero de Dios, que quita el pecado del mundo". Ya anticipa el "bautismo" de su muerte sangrienta. Ya viene a "cumplir toda justicia", es decir, se somete enteramente a la voluntad de su Padre: por amor consiente en este bautismo de muerte para la remisión de nuestros pecados." Jesús, el Hijo de Dios y sin pecado, no necesitaba el bautismo, pero nos muestra cómo comenzar a compartir su vida, en nuestro Bautismo, siendo reclamados por Dios, cuando se derrama agua sobre nuestra cabeza y el sacerdote dice: "Yo te bautizo en el nombre del Padre, y del

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Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo." Verdaderamente también en aquel momento, nuestro padre todopoderoso y misericordioso nos miró a cada uno de nosotros y dijo: 'He aquí, amados míos.' Mañana comienza el tiempo ordinario hasta el miércoles 5 de marzo, cuando iniciamos nuestro camino cuaresmal hacia la pasión, muerte y resurrección salvífica de Cristo. Por favor tómate un tiempo para reflexionar sobre la bondad de Dios, que en tu bautismo te ama tanto, que te ha reclamado como suyo y te ha dado todas las gracias y dones que necesitas para crecer, permanecer y vivir. ¡Prospera en la santidad! Renueva tu confianza en su misericordia para ti y su providencia, y trata de rendirte y confiar y aún más en Él en el próximo año.

¡Gracias!

Gracias a todos por su generosidad hacia los Amigos de los No Nacidos en Quincy. Usted entregó 158 tarjetas de regalo más dinero en efectivo para las madres y los bebés en apuros que reciben ayuda de los Amigos, por un total de aproximadamente \$8,000. Estoy abrumado por su caridad hacia estos bebés y sus madres. ¡Que Dios te recompense!

Gracias también por sus donaciones de fin de año a la Capilla, que nos permiten continuar ofreciendo el Corazón de Jesús en el Evangelio y los Sacramentos aquí en el corazón de Boston. Estamos aquí única y exclusivamente gracias a su generosidad en las colecciones, sus principales obsequios y sus compras en la tienda de regalos.

Renovación de la Capilla y Offerta

Mientras nos preparamos para la renovación de nuestra capilla la semana del 3 al 7 de febrero, ofrecemos un 25 % de descuento en algunos artículos de la tienda de regalos; estatuas (en el estuche de las estatuas), tapices (placas, crucifijos, pilas de agua bendita y círculos de vidrieras) y artículos navideños. Tus compras siempre se destinan a apoyar la capilla y ahora nos ayudarás a limpiar la tienda de regalos para prepararla para pintar y poner el piso nuevo.

¡Que Dios te bendiga a ti y a tu familia y reavive en ti las grandes gracias de tu Bautismo y Confirmación!

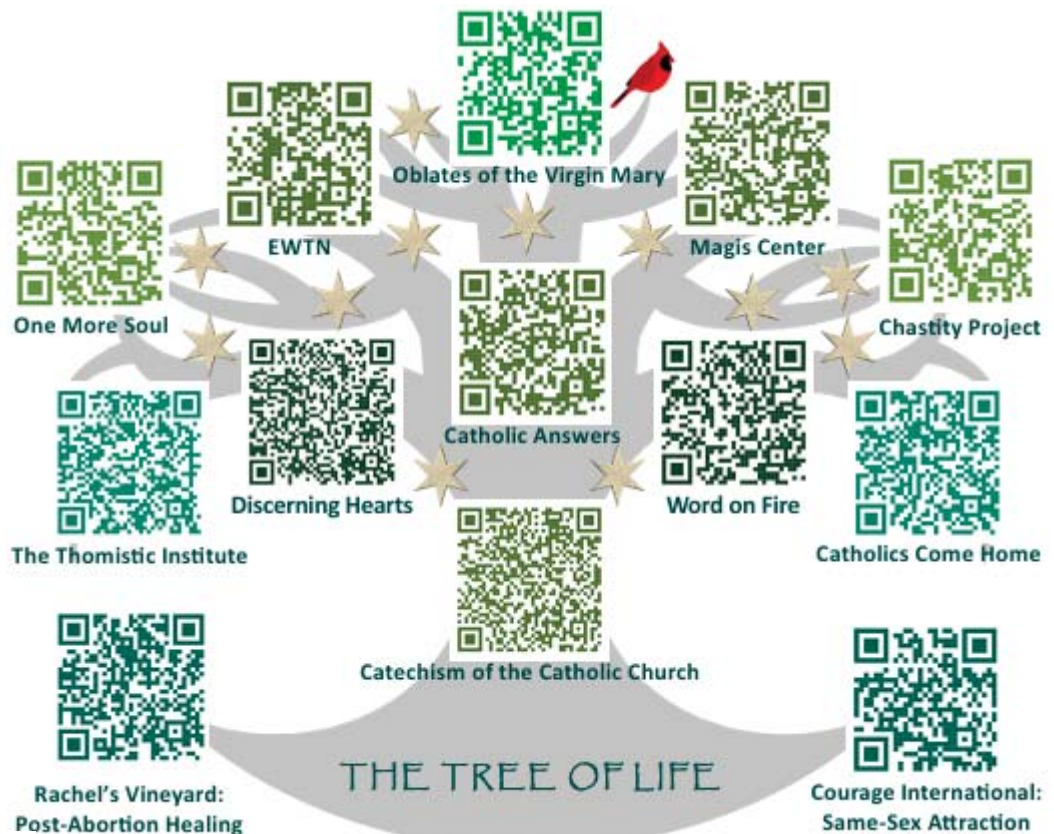
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The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

How to celebrate at home:

- Renew your baptismal vows
- Light your baptismal candle or a substitute candle
- Bless your home and family with holy water
- Call your godparents and/or godchildren to wish them a happy feast
- Go to confession to return to your baptismal state of holiness
- Have pasta shells for dinner (shells are a traditional symbol of baptism)

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Dear brethren, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

V. Do you renounce Satan?

R. I do.

V. And all his works?

R. I do.

V. And all his empty show?

R. I do.

OR:

V. Do you renounce sin,
so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

R. I do.

V. Do you renounce the lure of evil,
so that sin may have no mastery over you?

R. I do.

V. Do you renounce Satan,
the author and prince of sin?

R. I do.

V. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit
and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins,
keep us by his grace,
in Christ Jesus our Lord,
for eternal life.

R. Amen.



V. Do you believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only
Son, our Lord,
who was born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead
and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting?

R. I do.

La Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor

- Cómo celebrar en casa:
- Renueva tus votos bautismales
- Enciende tu vela bautismal o una vela sustituta
- Bendice tu hogar y familia con agua bendita
- Llama a tus padrinos y/o ahijados para desearles una feliz fiesta
- Confesarse para volver a su estado de santidad bautismal
- Cena conchas de pasta (las conchas son un símbolo tradicional del bautismo)

Renovación de las promesas bautismales

Queridos hermanos, a través del misterio pascual hemos sido sepultados con Cristo en el Bautismo, para que podamos caminar con él en novedad de vida. Por eso, renovemos las promesas del Santo Bautismo, que una vez renunciamos a Satanás y sus obras y prometió servir a Dios en la santa Iglesia católica. Y por eso te pregunto:

V. ¿Renuncias a Satanás?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Y todas sus obras?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Y todo su espectáculo vacío?

R. Sí.

O:

V. ¿Renuncias al pecado?

para vivir en la libertad de los hijos de Dios?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Renuncias a la tentación del mal, para que el pecado no tenga dominio sobre vosotros?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Renuncias a Satanás, ¿El autor y príncipe del pecado?

R. Sí.

V. Y que Dios todopoderoso, Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, quien nos ha dado nuevo nacimiento por el agua y el Espíritu Santo y nos concedió el perdón de nuestros pecados, guárdanos por su gracia, en Cristo Jesús nuestro Señor, para la vida eterna.

R. Amén.

V. ¿Crees en Dios, el Padre Todopoderoso, ¿Creador del cielo y de la tierra?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Crees en Jesucristo, su único Hijo, nuestro Señor, que nació de la Virgen María, sufrió la muerte y fue sepultado, resucitó de entre los muertos y está sentado a la diestra del Padre?

R. Sí.

V. ¿Crees en el Espíritu Santo, la santa iglesia católica, la comunión de los santos, el perdón de los pecados, la resurrección del cuerpo, y la vida eterna?

R. Sí.



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