

SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL — OBLATES OF THE VIRGIN MARY



THE LANTERIAN

AUGUST 17, 2025—TWENTIETH SUNDAY



Outdoor Mass and Picnic Misa al Aire Libre y Picnic

Sunday, September 7,

12:00 noon

South Garden

Prudential Center, Boston

BYOP (bring your own picnic)

Domíngo, 7 de septiembre

12:00 pm

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Por favor, traiga su comida

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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.

PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING AN OFFERING TODAY.

St. Francis Chapel is open 365 days a year. It exists thanks to the generous support of countless visitors and regular attendees. Thank you for helping us continue this ministry which touches the lives of so many people every single day.



St. Clement Young Adult Group AMICIZIA CRISTIANA

Every Monday from 7-8:30 PM

St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine

1105 Boylston Street, Boston

Amicizia Cristiana (Christian Friendship) is a young adult initiative in collaboration with the Oblates of the Virgin Mary at Saint Clement Eucharistic Shrine. The name comes from the group that was so integral to the life of Venerable Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary.

Membership is limited to ages 20-29 to respect differences in practical life experience.

Reach out to stclementac@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 17, 2025

8:00 AM - +John Ryan

9:15 AM - Julia Fernandez—birthday

10:30 AM - +Shirley Tozzi

11:45 AM - +Blake Lungenbeel

1:15 PM - +Alden Contreras

4:00 PM - +Danny & +Maria Cortes

5:30 PM - +Mary Madden

Monday, August 18

8:00 AM - Dianne Check

12:05 PM - Angela Flavin—birthday

4:00 PM - +Peter & +Mary and Family

Tuesday, August 19

8:00 AM - +John P. Cummings

12:05 PM - Mark Quinn—90th birthday

4:45 PM - +Mary Chon

Wednesday, August 20

8:00 AM - +Marion Glennon

12:05 PM - +Robert Clancy

4:45 PM - +Nancy Connelly

Thursday, August 21

8:00 AM - +Bridie & +Raymond

Mulkerrins

12:05 PM - +Teresa Fitts

4:45 PM - +Robert Jeltsch—3rd anniv.

Friday, August 22

8:00 AM - +William Clancy

12:05 PM - +Charles DiGiovanni

4:45 PM - +Joseph Timilty

Saturday, August 23

9:00 AM - +Beatrice Ward

12:00 PM - +Mary Lu

4:00 PM - +Jaime Davison

5:30 PM - Acción de Gracias a Padre Pio

Reflection by Fr. Jeremy Paulin, OMV

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The reading from St Paul's Letter to the Hebrews today is powerful, and gives us an opportunity to reflect on where each of us is in relation to the love of God. Jesus shed his blood on the cross so that you and I might be forgiven and live in his grace:

"Brothers and sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God. Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood." (Hebrews 12:1-4)

Here at the Chapel we have over 40 hours of confession available every week, and many people, both local and from all over the world, receive God's mercy and a new beginning here, and are a Joy to Jesus. If it's possible even to say, the Sacrament of Reconciliation here is probably the greatest work of the Chapel.

"Christ instituted the sacrament of Penance for all sinful members of his Church: above all for those who, since Baptism, have fallen into grave sin, and have thus lost their baptismal grace and wounded ecclesial communion. It is to them that the sacrament of Penance offers a new possibility to convert and to recover the grace of justification. The Fathers of the Church present this sacrament as "the second plank [of salvation] after the shipwreck which is the loss of grace." (Catechism of the Catholic Church #1446). Elsewhere in the bulletin, please find a handy examination of conscience according to the 10 Commandments, which can help in preparation for your next Confession. Please don't be afraid to go to Confession! The priest is happy and honored to gently help you if it's been awhile. May we all know deeply the peace that comes to our hearts through the Mercy of God!



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

La lectura de la carta de San Pablo a los Hebreos de hoy es impactante y nos brinda la oportunidad de reflexionar sobre dónde nos encontramos cada uno en relación con el amor de Dios. Jesús derramó su sangre en la cruz para que tú y yo pudiéramos ser perdonados y vivir en su gracia:

"Hermanos: Rodeados, como estamos, por la multitud de antepasados nuestros, que dieron prueba de su fe, dejemos todo lo que nos estorba; librémonos del pecado que nos ata, para correr con perseverancia la carrera que tenemos por delante, fija la mirada en Jesús, autor y consumidor de nuestra fe. Él, en vista del gozo que se le

proponía, aceptó la cruz, sin temer su ignominia, y por eso está sentado a la derecha del trono de Dios. Mediten, pues, en el ejemplo de aquel que quiso sufrir tanta oposición de parte de los pecadores, y no se cansen ni pierdan el ánimo, porque todavía no han llegado a derramar su sangre en la lucha contra el pecado." (Hebreos 12, 1-4)

Aquí en la Capilla, ofrecemos más de 40 horas de confesión cada semana, y muchas personas, tanto locales como de todo el mundo, reciben la misericordia de Dios y un nuevo comienzo, y son una alegría para Jesús. Si es posible decirlo, el Sacramento de la Reconciliación aquí es probablemente la obra más grande de la Capilla.

Cristo instituyó el sacramento de la Penitencia en favor de todos los miembros pecadores de su Iglesia, ante todo para los que, después del Bautismo, hayan caído en el pecado grave y así hayan perdido la gracia bautismal y lesionado la comunión eclesial. El sacramento de la Penitencia ofrece a éstos una nueva posibilidad de convertirse y de recuperar la gracia de la justificación. Los Padres de la Iglesia presentan este sacramento como "la segunda tabla (de salvación) después del naufragio que es la pérdida de la gracia" (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica #1446). En otra parte del boletín, encontrarán un práctico examen de conciencia según los Diez Mandamientos, que les ayudará a prepararse para su próxima confesión. ¡No tengan miedo de confesarse! El sacerdote estará encantado de ayudarles con amabilidad si ha pasado tiempo. ¡Que todos experimentemos profundamente la paz que llega a nuestros corazones por la Misericordia de Dios!

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

[1] **I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.** • Do I give God time every day in prayer? • Do I seek to love Him with my whole heart? • Have I been involved with superstitious practices, new age, astrology, fortune tellers or the occult? • Do I seek to surrender myself to God's Word as taught by the Church? • Have I ever received Communion in a state of mortal sin? • Have I ever deliberately told a lie in confession or have I withheld a mortal sin from the priest in confession?

[2] **You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.** • Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly? • Have I been angry with God? • Have I insulted a priest or consecrated religious person or abused a sacred object? • Have I spoken about a priest or consecrated religious person in a derogatory manner? • Have I damaged the reputation of anyone?

[3] **Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.** • Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation? • Have I tried to observe Sunday as a day of prayer and rest? • Do I do needless work on Sunday?

[4] **Honor your Father and your Mother.** • Do I treat my parents with honor? • Have I neglected my duties toward anyone? • Have I given my family good religious example? • Do I try to bring peace into every setting in my life? • Do I care for my aged and infirm relatives?

[5] **You shall not kill.** • Have I had an abortion or encouraged anyone to have an abortion? • Have I promoted pro abortion (pro choice) causes or persons? • Have I physically harmed anyone? • Have I wished evil upon another person? • Do I waste time at work, school or at home? • Do I gamble excessively? • Do I pay my debts promptly? • Do I seek to share what I have with the poor? • Have I treated beggars and others in need with charity? Have I abused alcohol or drugs? • Have I lead anyone into sin? • Have I been angry or resentful? • Have I harbored hatred in my heart? • Have I mutilated myself in any way? • Have I encouraged or condoned sterilization?

[6] **You shall not commit adultery.** • Have I been faithful to my vows in thought and action? • Have I engaged in any sexual activity outside of marriage? • Have I used any method of contraception or artificial birth? • Has each sexual act in my marriage been open to the transmission of new life? Have I been guilty of masturbation? • Have I sought to keep my thoughts pure? • Have I respected all members of the opposite sex, or have I thought of other people as objects? • Have I been involved in any homosexual activity? • Do I seek to be chaste in my words and actions? • Am I careful to dress modestly?

[7] **You shall not steal.** • Have I stolen what is not mine? • Have I returned or made restitution for what I have stolen?

[8] **You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.** • Have I lied? • Have I gossiped? • Have I spoken behind someone else's back? • Am I sincere in my dealings with others? • Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others? • Do I keep secret what should be kept confidential?

[9] **You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.** • Have I dwelt upon the desire of someone's spouse? • Have I allowed impure thoughts by my reading, movies, conversations or curiosity? • Do I seek to control my imagination? • Do I pray at once to banish impure thoughts and temptations?

[10] **You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.** • Am I jealous of what other people have? • Do I envy the families or possessions of others? • Am I greedy or selfish? • Are material possessions the purpose of my life? • Do I trust that God will care for all of my material and spiritual needs? • Do I share what I have with those in need?

EXAMEN DE CONCIENCIA

[1] **Yo soy el Señor tu Dios. No tendrás dioses ajenos delante de mí.** • ¿Le doy tiempo a Dios todos los días en oración? • ¿Busco amarlo con todo mi corazón? • ¿He estado involucrado con prácticas supersticiosas, new age, astrología, adivinos o lo oculto? • ¿Busco rendirme a la Palabra de Dios tal como la enseña la Iglesia? • ¿He recibido alguna vez la Comunión en estado de pecado mortal? • ¿He dicho alguna vez deliberadamente una mentira en confesión o he ocultado un pecado mortal del sacerdote en confesión?

[2] **No tomarás el nombre del Señor tu Dios en vano.** • ¿He usado el nombre de Dios en vano: a la ligera o sin cuidado? • ¿He estado enojado con Dios? • ¿He insultado a un sacerdote o religioso consagrado o he abusado de un objeto sagrado? • ¿He hablado de algún sacerdote o religioso consagrado de manera despectiva? • ¿He dañado la reputación de alguien?

[3] **Acuérdate de santificar el día del Señor.** • ¿He faltado deliberadamente a misa los domingos o días de precepto? • ¿He tratado de observar el domingo como un día de oración y descanso? • ¿Hago trabajo innecesario los domingos?

[4] **Honra a tu Padre ya tu Madre.** • ¿Trato a mis padres con honor? • ¿He descuidado mis deberes para con alguien? • ¿Le he dado buen ejemplo religioso a mi familia? • ¿Trato de traer paz a todos los ambientes de mi vida? • ¿Cuido a mis parientes ancianos y enfermos?

[5] **No matarás.** • ¿Me he hecho un aborto o he animado a alguien a abortar? • ¿He promovido causas o personas pro aborto (pro elección)? • ¿He dañado físicamente a alguien? • ¿Le he deseado el mal a otra persona? • ¿Pierdo el tiempo en el trabajo, la escuela o en casa? • ¿Juego en exceso? • ¿Pago mis deudas puntualmente? • ¿Busco compartir lo que tengo con los pobres? • ¿He tratado a los mendigos y otros necesitados con caridad? • ¿He abusado del alcohol o de las drogas? • ¿He llevado a alguien al pecado? • ¿He estado enojado o resentido? • ¿He albergado odio en mi corazón? • ¿Me he mutilado de alguna forma? • ¿He alentado o tolerado la esterilización?

[6] **No cometerás adulterio.** • ¿He sido fiel a mis votos en pensamiento y acción? • ¿He participado en alguna actividad sexual fuera del matrimonio? • ¿He utilizado algún método anticonceptivo o parto artificial? • ¿Cada acto sexual en mi matrimonio ha estado abierto a la transmisión de nueva vida? • ¿He sido culpable de masturbarme? • ¿He buscado mantener mis pensamientos puros? • ¿He respetado a todos los miembros del sexo opuesto o he pensado en otras personas como objetos? • ¿He estado involucrado en alguna actividad homosexual? • ¿Busco ser casto en mis palabras y acciones? • ¿Tengo cuidado de vestirme modestamente?

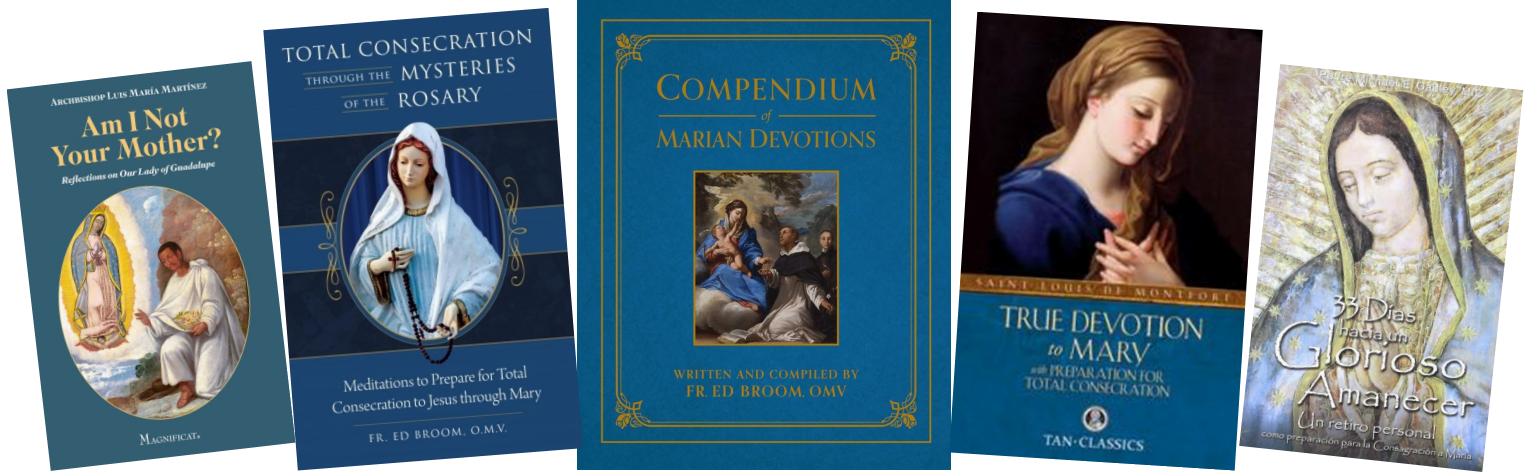
[7] **No robarás.** • ¿He robado lo que no es mío? • ¿He devuelto o hecho restitución por lo que he robado?

[8] **No darás falso testimonio contra tu prójimo.** • ¿He mentido? • ¿He chismado? • ¿He hablado a espaldas de otra persona? • ¿Soy sincero en mi trato con los demás? • ¿Soy crítico, negativo o poco caritativo en mis pensamientos sobre los demás? • ¿Mantengo en secreto lo que debe mantenerse confidencial?

[9] **No desearás la mujer de tu prójimo.** • ¿Me he detenido en el deseo del cónyuge de alguien? • ¿He permitido pensamientos impuros por mis lecturas, películas, conversaciones o curiosidad? • ¿Busco controlar mi imaginación? • ¿Rezo de inmediato para desterrar los pensamientos impuros y las tentaciones?

[10] **No desearás los bienes de tu prójimo.** • ¿Tengo celos de lo que tienen los demás? • ¿Envidio las familias o las posesiones de los demás? • ¿Soy codicioso o egoísta? • ¿Son las posesiones materiales el propósito de mi vida? • ¿Confío en que Dios cuidará de todas mis necesidades materiales y espirituales? • ¿Comparto lo que tengo con los necesitados?

Gift Shop Item of the Week: Marian Books



August is the month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

