



The Oblates of the Virgin Mary at
SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL
Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 23, 2018

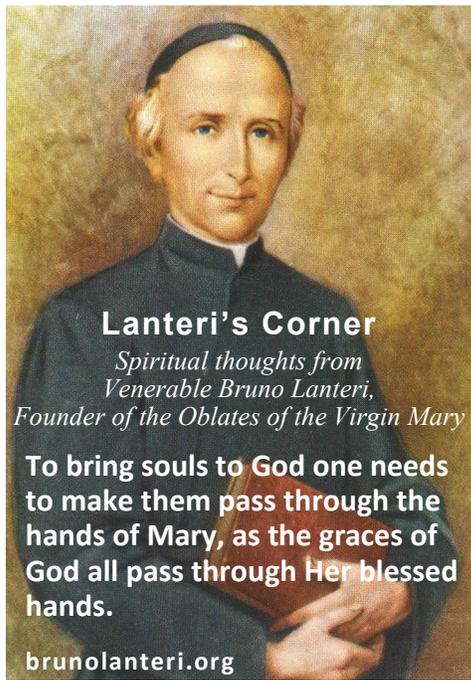


Jesus Christ with the Children, Carl Bloch



SFChapel

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If you are interested in joining our choir for the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass on Saturdays, please email Kim at kim.araiza@gmail.com. Rehearsals are at 4:45 PM every Saturday.

Is God calling you to join the Oblates of the Virgin Mary?



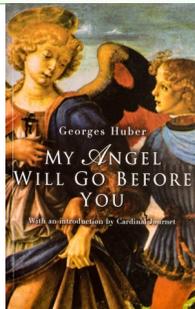
Contact our Vocation Director
 Fr. John Luong, OMV
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The Chapel Gift Shop Item of the Week...

My Angel Will Go Before You

By Georges Huber

Do angels exist? Are they not just a pious fiction invented to please children like Santa Claus? This book on angels...is not a theoretical treatise; it answers questions people are asking and does so in a very practical way.



CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

**Sat. Vigil 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM,
 7:00 PM en español;
 Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:15 AM,
 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 1:15
 PM en español,
 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM**

Weekday Masses:

**Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM,
 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM;
 Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 PM**

Confessions:

**Mon. - Fri. 11:15 -11:50 AM,
 12:45 - 4:15 PM;
 Saturday 9:45 - 11:45 AM,
 12:45 - 3:30 PM**

Devotions:

**Tuesday after Mass:
 Memorare,
 5:30 p.m. Vespers;**

**Thursday after Mass:
 St. Jude;**

**Monday -Friday after
 4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosary**

Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament:

**Mon. - Fri. 8:30-11:45 AM,
 1:00-4:30 PM;
 Saturday 9:30 - 11:30 AM,
 12:30 - 3:30 PM;
 Sunday 2:30-3:30 PM**

Gift Shop Hours:

**Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.
 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM;
 Tuesday - closed;
 Sat. 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM*;
 Sun. 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM*
 (*Closed during
 Sunday Masses and
 Saturday Vigil Masses)**

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THE ARCHANGELS

Feast day: September 29

The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation.

Saint Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host," the leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in Daniel 10 and 12, in the letter of Jude, and in Revelation.

Michael, whose forces cast down Lucifer and the evil spirits into Hell, is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. Pope Leo XIII, in 1899, having had a prophetic vision of the evil that would be inflicted upon the Church and the world in the 20th century, instituted a prayer asking for Saint Michael's protection to be said at the end of every Mass.

Christian tradition recognizes four offices of Saint Michael: (I) to fight against Satan (II) to rescue the souls of the faithful from the power of the enemy, especially at the hour of death. (III) to be the champion of God's people, (IV) to call away from earth and bring men's souls to judgment.

"I am Gabriel, who stand before God." (Luke 1, 19)

Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength," is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias, and the at Incarnation of the Word in the womb of Mary.

Christian tradition suggests that it is he who appeared to St. Joseph and to the shepherds, and also that it was he who "strengthened" Jesus during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

"I am the angel Raphael, one of the seven, who stand before the Lord" (Tob 12:15)

Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy.

Raphael is also identified with the angel in John 5:1-4 who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.

— from *catholicnewsagency.com*

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI AND ST. FAUSTINA NOVENA MASS CARDS

Now available in the chapel entrance

*Enroll your loved ones in a novena of Masses
beginning on September 26*

The feast of St. Francis is on October 4

The feast of St. Faustina is on October 5



The San Damiano Cross

Seeking an oasis from the life of a playboy merchant, Francis of Assisi made his way to the church of St. Damian in Assisi in the 1200's. There, in deep contemplation before the crucifix, Francis heard the words from the Cross, "Go repair my Church." From that point on, Francis would become the saint we now know him to be and indeed rebuild the Church and the world. The San Damiano Cross is a Byzantine style crucifix. It was painted in the twelfth century by an unknown artist, probably a monk of Syrian origin.



On October 5, 1938, a young religious by the name Sister Faustina (Helen Kowalska) died in a convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Cracow, Poland. She came from a very poor family that had struggled hard on their little farm during the terrible years of WWI. Sister had had only three years of very simple education. Hers were the humblest of tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or the vegetable garden, or as a porter.

On February 22, 1931, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ appeared to this simple nun, bringing with Him a wonderful message of Mercy for all

mankind. Sister Faustina tells us in her diary under this date:

"In the evening, when I was in my cell, I became aware of the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From the opening of the garment at the breast there came forth two large rays, one red and the other pale. In silence I gazed intently at the Lord; my soul was overwhelmed with fear, but also with great joy. After a while Jesus said to me, 'paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in You.'"

Some time later, Our Lord again spoke to her:

"The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My most tender Mercy at that time when My agonizing Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross....Fortunate is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him." — *from catholicculture.org*



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 23

8:00 AM + Sarin Yorin
9:15 AM + Robert Ormond Sr.
10:30 AM + Jeremiah McLaughlin
11:45 AM Widows and Widowers
1:15 PM (esp) + Adreina Cuevas
4:00 PM + Helen Valleli — birthday
5:30 PM + Arthur Sutherland Jr.

Monday, September 24

8:00 AM + Mark Gowrie
12:05 PM + Michael Kallal
4:45 PM + Antonio Carnevale

Tuesday, September 25

8:00 AM + Emilio Jimenez
12:05 PM Regan Family
4:45 PM Hiwet — in thanksgiving to
St. Stephen

Wednesday, September 26

8:00 AM St. Francis Novena
12:05 PM Sara Maria Oviedo — birthday
4:45 PM Special Intention

Thursday, September 27

8:00 AM Marie Dooley
12:05 PM + Richard Troy
4:45 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena

Friday, September 28

8:00 AM + Juan Castaño
12:05 PM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena
4:45 PM + Bernard Cardinal Law

Saturday, September 29

9:00 AM Sts. Francis & Faustina Novena
12:00 PM + Charles Verdieu
4:00 PM + Roger Rice Sr. — birthday
5:30 PM + Luis Carvalho
7:00 PM (esp) + Felicita Matos

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

September 27: St. Vincent de Paul

Priest

Patron of charitable societies

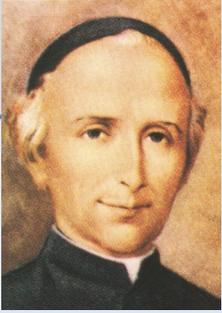
September 29: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Archangels

St. Michael — Patron of soldiers and police

St. Gabriel — Patron of messengers,
telecommunications workers, postal workers

St. Raphael — Patron of Catholic singles,
and healing

Oblates of the Virgin Mary – USA



Fr. Bruno Lanteri
(1759-1830)

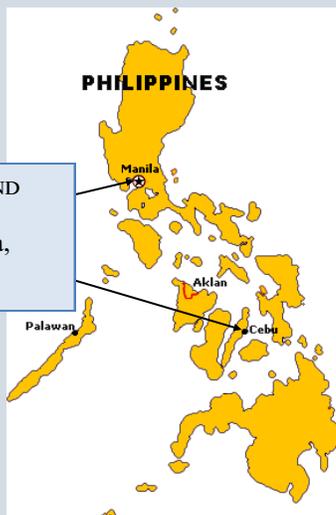
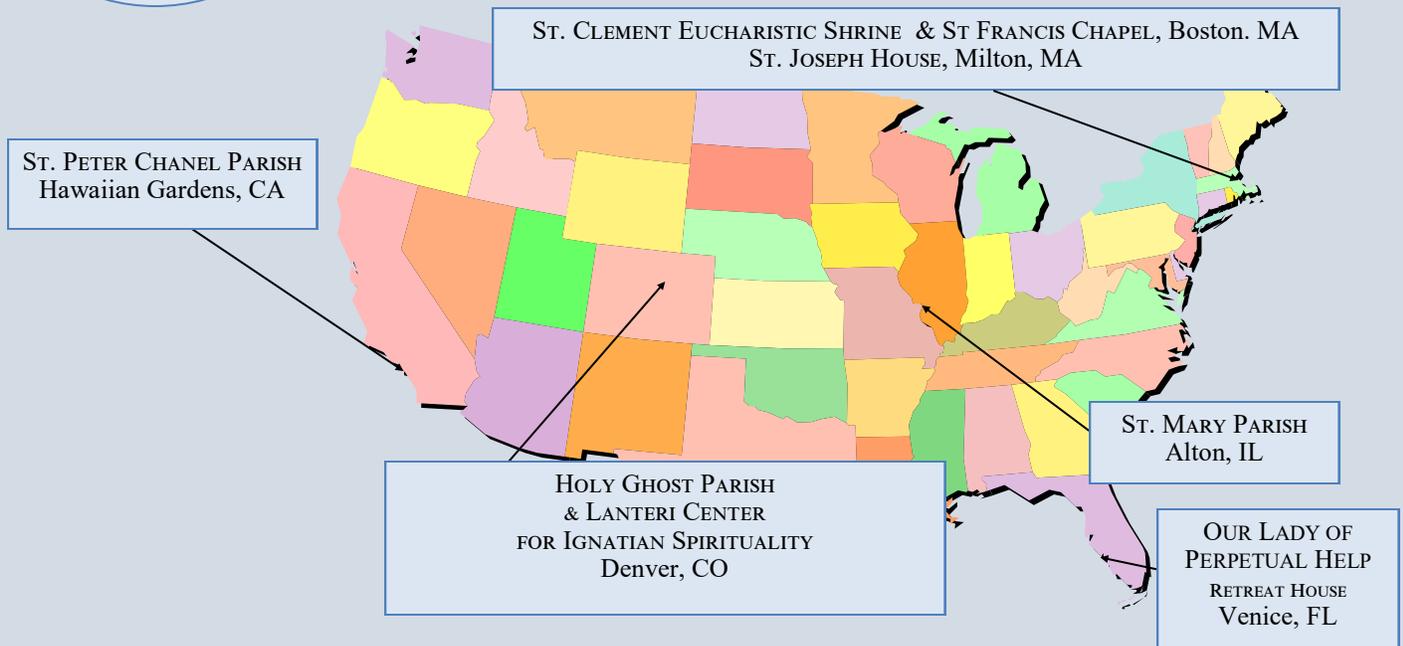
The Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary.

Declared “Venerable” - the first step to Sainthood.

The Oblates of the Virgin Mary is an international religious community of priests and brothers serving in Italy, France, Austria, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Nigeria, the United States and the Philippines. The Oblates are involved in retreat and parish missions, spiritual direction, parish work, the mass media, clergy formation, and the foreign missions.

The US Province of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary is dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola, and includes communities in Massachusetts, Illinois, Colorado, California and the Philippines.

The OMV US Province House is at St. Clement’s in Boston.



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