SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL
Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary
Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston
Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord — August 6, 2017

**CHAPEL SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Masses**
Saturday 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**
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 Noon

**Confessions**
Monday - Friday 11:15-11:50 AM, 12:45-4:15 PM; Saturday 9:45-11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30 PM

**Devotions**
Daily 3:00 PM: Divine Mercy Chaplet; Tuesday after Mass: Memorare; Thursday after Mass: St. Jude
Monday - Friday after 4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosary

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
Monday - Friday 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., Tues., Wed., Fri. - 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM; Thursday - closed; Saturday 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM*;
Sunday 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM*

*Closed during Sunday Masses and Saturday Vigil Masses

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Saint Francis Chapel
August 6, 2017

**Lanteri’s Corner**

*Spiritual thoughts from Venerable Bruno Lanteri, Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary*

Although I may fall, even if this were a thousand times, every time, even on the thousandth, I will lift myself up tranquilly as the first, recognizing my misery and Your grand mercy.

[brunolanteri.org](brunolanteri.org)

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**CHAPEL STAFF**

Fr. James Doran, OMV
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Fr. Peter Gojuk, OMV
Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV
Fr. Robert Lowrey, OMV

Sacristan: Mary Thérèse

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Director: Rebecca Martin
Kim Araiza
Joanna Vasquez
Saul Garcia
Robert Conley
Justin Salisbury
James Agolia

Cleaning of Chapel
Environment: Nubia Viasus

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**SAVE THE DATE**

October 16, 12:05 PM
Sean Cardinal O’Malley
will celebrate a Mass
to inaugurate the public veneration
of the relics of the
Marian Saints of Mercy.

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**ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND**

As part of our continuing mission to be a spiritual oasis in the midst of the modern marketplace where the faithful may encounter the Heart of Christ, the Chapel is proposing changes to its interior which include: a permanent shrine to the first class relics of Saints John Paull II, Maximilian Kolbe and Faustina Kowalska; moving the tabernacle to the center behind the altar; a new statue of Our Lady of Mercy and a painting of Fr. Pio Bruno Lanteri, founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, with St. Ignatius of Loyola and Madonna and Child; plus a new visitors’ welcome kiosk. We make this appeal to you to participate in the Chapel’s transformation through funding, prayer and suggestions. There are special envelopes found in the bulletin for this purpose. You may also use the giving kiosk in the chapel entrance as well as our website, stfrancischapel.org.

Thank you and God bless you for all you do in helping the mission.

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**The Chapel Gift Shop**
**Item of the Week…**

**Marian Saints of Mercy Pendant Set**

Pilgrimage to Québec
with Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV
September 29 - October 1
For more information, contact Canterbury Pilgrimages at (800) 653-0017 or reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com

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**Summer of ‘17 Sale at the Gift Shop**
17% off all items until Labor Day!

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

Contact our Vocation Director Fr. John Luong, OMV at frjohnomv@gmail.com or visit omvusa.org
Marian Saints of Mercy

At the dawn of the 20th century, three voices rose up from Poland to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness.

— From Oceans of Mercy, Ignatius Press

St. Faustina Kowalska and the Divine Mercy Image

In her diary, Faustina writes:

"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.'"

St. Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar and a martyr in the German death Camp of Auschwitz during World War II. St. Maximilian Kolbe was very active in promoting the Immaculate Virgin Mary and is known as the Apostle of Consecration to Mary. Much of his life was strongly influenced by a vision he had of the Virgin Mary when he was 12.

"That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity, and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both."

St. John Paul II, The Great Mercy Pope, wrote an encyclical on Divine Mercy:

"The Message of Divine Mercy has always been near and dear to me... which I took with me to the See of Peter and which it in a sense forms the image of this Pontificate."

In his writings and homilies, he has described Divine Mercy as the answer to the world’s problems and the message of the third millennium. He beatified and canonized Sr. Faustina Kowalska, the nun associated with the message, and he did it in Rome and not in Poland to underscore that Divine Mercy is for the whole world.

— From catholic.org and divinemercy.org
Oblates of the Virgin Mary—USA

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.

The OMV motto,
“MARIAM COGITA,
MARIAM INVOCAT”
“THINK OF MARY,
CALL ON MARY”
is taken from a homily by St. Bernard.