Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 1, 2018

Father Serra Celebrates Mass at Monterey, Léon Trousset. July 1st is the feast day of St. Junipero Serra, Founder of California.

4th of July Schedule
Masses — 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM
Confessions — 9:30 — 11:30 AM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament — 9:30 — 11:30 AM
The Chapel closes after the noon Mass

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Save the Date!
35th Anniversary Celebration September 12
5:30 PM Mass followed by a reception at the Sheraton Hotel

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The Chapel Gift Shop
Item of the Week…

The Examen Prayer: Ignatian Wisdom for Our Lives Today
by Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV

Lanteri’s Corner
Spiritual thoughts from Venerable Bruno Lanteri,
Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary

One must love the difficulty of virtue and be enamored of it more than of virtue itself.

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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; Mon.-Fri. 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)

SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND
We make this appeal to you to participate in the Chapel’s transformation through funding, prayer and suggestions. Please use the special envelopes found in the chapel entrance for this purpose. You may also use the giving kiosk in the entrance or visit stfrancischapel.org, click on the Donate button and enter “renovation” in the Special Instructions box.

Thank you and God bless you for all you do in helping the mission.
The Examen Prayer
The Unexamined Life Is Not Worth Living
Fr. Tom Carzon, OMV & Br. Paul Kallal, OMV

Gratitude
• St. Ignatius, “… to give thanks to God our Lord for the benefits received.”
• I note the gifts that God’s love has given me this day, and I give thanks to God for them.
• Consciously recall and consider the gifts of God bestowed upon me to affirm that God is a gracious giver and that we are loved.
• Overcoming our “failure to recognize” the good things, graces, and gifts received from God in the day.
• Do not hurry past this first step. Recognizing God’s loving presence through His gifts really matters. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT STEP!

Petition
• I ask God for an insight and a strength that will make this Examen a work of grace, fruitful beyond my human capacity alone.
• We seek a twofold grace: understanding and freedom to become more aware of God’s concrete working in our lives.

Review
• With my God, I review the day. I look for the stirrings in my heart and the thoughts that God has given me this day. I look also for those that have not been of God I review my choices in response to both, and throughout the day in general.
• We consider the day in review, hour by hour, or from one time period to another.
• We review those moments of spiritual consolation and spiritual desolation. Each of our days is filled with a richness of interior experiences: love, hope, anxiety, joy, fear, attraction, resistance, desire. In this part of the Examen, I ask: “Where was God in all of this?”

Forgiveness
• I ask for the healing touch of the forgiving God who, with love and respect for me, removes my heart’s burdens.
• I ask to receive God’s forgiveness for my failings in this day.
• I recall my image of God. Can I ask God for forgiveness or is my image of God a poor image, such that I fear His presence and do not believe in His limitless love for me?

Renewal
• I look forward to the following day and, with God, plan concretely how to live it in accord with God’s loving desire.
• I now move from a looking back to a looking forward. I look ahead at the day to come with a renewed spirit to practice the spiritual growth I have received this day.
• I plan appropriately how I will respond to God’s call for growth
• Through this step, we grasp the meaning of new situations of health, in the family, or at work. We move forward amid the complexities of life with a reassurance a greater sense of peace and surety.

Questions for Reflection
• What am I gracious for in my life? What are the gifts God has given me?
• Do I recognize God’s presence in my daily life? Do fears and anxieties overwhelm me? Do I see the glass as “half empty or half full?”
• What is my image of God? What is my self-image?
• In what areas of my life do I still seek forgiveness or need to forgive others?
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The OMV US Province House is at St. Clement’s in Boston.

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