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Item of the Week…

Discerning the Will of God
and other books by Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV

Fr. Gallagher, an Oblate of the Virgin Mary, popular retreat leader, Ignatian scholar, and lecturer around the world, holds a doctorate from the Gregorian University and is the author of several bestselling books.

FR. TIMOTHY GALLAGHER SEMINAR 2019

A Weekend Seminar on Discerning the Will of God
An Ignatian Guide to Christian Decision Making

“IS IT TIME TO CHANGE JOBS?”
“SHOULD I MARRY?”
“AM I CALLED TO THE PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE?”

Sooner or later, every thoughtful Christian asks such questions. This seminar will help you to make spiritual sense of your major life decisions. This seminar will walk you through each step of the time-proven methods of St. Ignatius of Loyola, including opening your heart to whatever God asks; making use of silence, the Eucharist, Scripture, and spiritual direction; and finding clarity (and what to do when you lack clarity). Insights gained in this seminar on the major questions of life can be adapted to other significant life decisions as well. Be certain that this weekend will assist you in discerning God’s will in great and small questions as you seek to serve Him fully.

Saturday and Sunday, January 26 and 27, 2019
at St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine
1105 Boylston Street, Boston

To Register, email OMVUSA@gmail.com or call St. Clement’s at (617) 982-7264 (Please include the spelling of your name and phone number)

Weekend Fee: $50
Students/Seminarians: $30

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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.

If you are interested in joining our choir for the 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays, please email Michael at michael enwright@me.com.

St. Francis Chapel
January 20, 2019
Prudential Center, Boston

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 and Saturday Vigil Masses)

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

The first means for persevering is the holy fear of God. Then, another means is devotion to the Virgin Mary.

brunolanteri.org

Is God calling you to join the Oblates of the Virgin Mary?
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THE WEDDING FEAST AT CANA

The Lord was invited and came to a wedding. Is it any wonder that he who came to that house for a wedding came to this world for a wedding? ... Therefore he has a bride here whom he has redeemed by his blood and to whom he has given the Holy Spirit as a pledge. He wrested her from enslavement to evil, he died for her sins. He arose again for her justification. Who will offer such great things to his bride? Men may offer some trinket or other from the earth, such as gold, silver, precious stones, horses, slaves, farms or estates. Will any offer his blood? For if he gives his blood to his bride, he will not be alive to take her as his wife. But the Lord, dying free of anxiety, gave his blood for her in order that when he arose, he might have her whom he had already joined to himself in the womb of the Virgin. For the Word was the bridegroom, and human flesh was the bride.

— from St. Augustine, "Tractates on the Gospel of John," 8.4.1-3

January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

— Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae, no. 100

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God’s providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord’s help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.”

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms as penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Call your local diocese or parish to find out what events might be taking place in your area.

— usccb.org

JOIN US AT THE CHAPEL AT 3:30 PM FOR A HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE
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 Invoca” “Think of Mary, Call on Mary” is taken from a homily by St. Bernard.