Glorification of the Virgin stained glass window, Chartres Cathedral, France
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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;
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:**
Monday — Friday
10:00 AM - 5:30 PM;
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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A Letter from an Unborn Child

Dear Christians,

I was very much looking forward to my life in this world. I wanted to have dolls, ride a bike, go to the circus, and see the zoo. I looked forward to celebrating Christmas and receiving Jesus in Holy Communion.

I'm very sad I never got to do any of these things. My parents did not let me be born.

But I just don't understand one thing -- why didn't any of you help me? I wish you had. Nobody heard my crying voice.

From,
An unborn baby

Prayer Books by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary

These books introduce the reader to the joys of praying the Rosary and of Eucharistic Adoration, while providing new insights, prayers and meditations for those who pray and adore regularly. Available at the gift shop!
Daily reflections on Our Blessed Mother from the saints. On the kiosk in the chapel entrance and at stfrancischapel.org.

August is the month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Below is an excerpt from a 1986 address by St. John Paul II.

We see symbolized in the heart of Mary her maternal love, her singular sanctity and her central role in the redemptive mission of her Son. It is with regard to her special role in her Son’s mission that devotion to Mary’s Heart has prime importance, for through love of her Son and of all of humanity she exercises a unique instrumentality in bringing us to him. The act of entrusting to the Immaculate Heart of Mary that I solemnly performed at Fatima on May 13, 1982, and once again on March 25, 1984 at the conclusion of the Extraordinary Holy Year of the Redemption, is based upon this truth about Mary’s maternal love and particular intercessory role. If we turn to Mary’s Immaculate Heart she will surely help us to conquer the menace of evil, which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today, and whose immeasurable effects already weigh down upon our modern world and seem to block the paths towards the future.

Our act of consecration refers ultimately to the heart of her Son, for as the Mother of Christ she is wholly united to his redemptive mission. As at the marriage feast of Cana, when she said "Do whatever he tells you", Mary directs all things to her Son, who answers our prayers and forgives our sins. Thus by dedicating ourselves to the heart of Mary we discover a sure way to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, symbol of the merciful love of our Savior.

The act of entrusting ourselves to the Heart of Our Lady establishes a relationship of love with her in which we dedicate to her all that we have and are. This consecration is practiced essentially by a life of grace, of purity, of prayer, of penance that is joined to the fulfillment of all the duties of a Christian, and of reparation for our sins and the sins of the world.

Mission Doctors Association will offer the **2019 Midwest Retreat/Seminar, Sept 13-15, 2019** for Catholic Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants, and their spouses, considering Short-term mission service in Africa or Latin America. This will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School, Chicago.

Information and Accreditation Statement are available on the website: [MissionDoctors.org](http://MissionDoctors.org) or by calling (213) 368-1872.
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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.