

# August 21, 2016 - 14th Sunday after Pentecost

## From the Pastor

### *Series on the Mass, Part 36*

The Preface of the Mass can vary according to the liturgical season or the feast day; however, all the Prefaces have the end of giving thanks to Almighty God. There are fifteen different Prefaces for the Universal Church that bring out a particular aspect of a feast or liturgical season. Where there is no particular Preface that applies to a Mass, then the Common Preface is used, which simply presents more universal reasons for adoring God, such as His existence and infinite perfection.

The Council of Trent reduced the number of Prefaces from the great number that was being used everywhere and limited it to the few in the Missal. Other proper Prefaces were approved for use in particular dioceses, such as the Preface for Advent, Corpus Christi, St. John the Baptist, the Dedication of a Church, and patron saints for religious orders. At High Masses, the Preface is sung. These melodies are very ancient and quite beautiful.

The priest recites or sings the Preface with his arms held out at least shoulder width apart. At one time, the arms were held out stretched like Christ on the Cross, and certain religious orders still do this. The Preface is the beginning of the Canon where the sacrifice of the Cross is made present sacramentally, and so even the posture of the priest pointed to what he was silently praying at the altar. I suspect that the bringing in of the arms to shoulder width was the result of the heavier vestments that developed in later centuries and the advanced age of pontiffs at times, making the full arms extension for the length of the Canon too difficult. For the sake of uniformity in the celebration of Mass, the shoulder width position of the arms was mandated.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



## Welcome to Regina Caeli Parish.

We appreciate the effort it takes to find and attend the Traditional Latin Mass. May God reward you.

We ask both men and women to respect modesty. The way we dress says something about our values and influences, how we behave and feel. God and His House are important. In His House, we should express this importance by our actions, our reverence, our silence, and most importantly, by the way we dress.

### Announcements

**Every Saturday, work at site, 10-4 p.m.** Volunteers needed and much appreciated!

**DSF donations** are mailed directly to the Archdiocese. Please be generous. This is the final year that we receive 100% of the funds donated by those who list Regina Caeli Parish on their DSF forms.

#### **TODAY:**

- ~ Last day of adult catechism class, FLC Rm. 14, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
- ~ Donut sign up at FLC Table or online. Please sign up to bring donuts on a Sunday in September or October. Donut socials are after the 8 a.m. Mass and before CCD begins.

Mon., Aug. 22, Troops of St. George are meeting at the property, 7:15-8:30 p.m. (This is a re-schedule of the Aug. 14 meeting, which was cancelled.) The troops meet on the first and third Mondays of the month. Men and boys at least 6 years of age are welcome to join. Additional information is available on the parish website or by contacting Jeff Carpenter at 281-796-2486.

Sun., Sept. 11, First day of CCD in FLC Rms. 9-14, 9:35-10:30 a.m.

Sat., Sept. 17, Boys' altar server practice, 6:30 p.m. in FLC

*Please stay current on your pledge commitment.  
Pledges finance construction and retire interim bridge loans. May God reward you!*

*Check the website home page for events Around the Archdiocese.*



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The Priestly Fraternity of St Peter  
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

**Liturgical Calendar &  
Mass Intentions**

**Aug. 21-Aug. 28, 2016**

**Sun., 8/21, 14th Sunday after Pentecost**

8 a.m. Mass, Pro Populo  
11 a.m., RIP Peter Van Vliet

**Mon., 8/22, Immaculate Heart of Mary**

6:30 a.m., James J. Carson, Jr.; by Joan Carson

**Tues., 8/23, St. Philip Benizi**

6:30 a.m., James J. Carson, Jr.; by Joan Carson

**Wed., 8/24, St. Bartholomew**

6:30 a.m., James J. Carson, Jr.; by Joan Carson

**Thurs., 8/25, St. Louis IX**

6:30 a.m., Souls in Purgatory; by Joan Carson

**Fri., 8/26, St. Zephyrinus**

6:30 a.m., Souls in Purgatory; by Joan Carson

**Sat., 8/27, St. Joseph Calasance**

7:30 a.m., Scott Edwards; by M.H. LaRose

**Sun., 8/28, 15th Sunday after Pentecost**

8 a.m., Meredith & Scott Edwards; requested by M.H. LaRose  
11 a.m., Pro Populo

**Directory**

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**Parish Organizations**

Contact in person or email  
office@reginacaeliparish.org

**Men's Schola**

Practice Tuesday nights  
Contact: Mark Holt or Kyle Lartigue

**Young Adult Group**

Contact: To be announced

**Youth Group**

Contact: Daniel Bui

**Regina Caeli Moms**

Contact: Jennifer McDonald

**Sacraments**

Please check the parish website for more information.

Infant baptism—contact parish at least one month before due date.

Marriage—contact parish eight months before proposed date.



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**SAVE THE DATE!**

*Saturday, October 29, 10 a.m.  
Blessing of St. Athanasius Chapel Hall*

Followed by a High Mass celebrated by Fr. Van Vliet  
in the presence of His Eminence.  
Reception afterwards



**Mass Schedule**

Sundays  
8:00 a.m. (High), 11:00 a.m.  
Mondays—Fridays  
6:30 a.m.  
Saturdays  
7:30 a.m.

**Confessions**

30 minutes before each Mass  
Confession ends 5 min. before Mass.  
Wednesdays and Fridays  
5:45-6:45 p.m.