

Nov. 13, 2016 - Resumed 6th Sunday after Epiphany

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 46

*This is a continuation of a series of articles explaining the Mass.
Past articles can be found on our website.*

The Canon: Qui Pridie. The "Qui Pridie" prayer is part of the immediate preparation for the consecration where the priest identifies himself with Christ and acts in His person to bring about the consecration. During this prayer, the priest takes the bread in his hands, raises his eyes to heaven to the Father, blesses the bread, and bows down profoundly to recite the words of consecration. This first part of the prayer is important for setting the scene, so to speak, for the words of consecration. These words took place in an historical setting over 2,000 years ago, and it is this setting in which the priest makes present once again the Body of Christ through the words of consecration over the bread.

Let us look at the words of this prayer more carefully: "Who the day before He suffered". This expression manifests that the Last Supper was an anticipation of the Sacrifice of the Cross, as the Mass makes present once again this one same sacrifice. While the following is said, "Took bread into His holy and venerable hands," the priest follows the actions of our Lord at the Last Supper and takes the bread into his own hands, since He is now acting in the person of Christ, which he can do because he has been ordained by a bishop and given the power to confect the sacrament.

Then follow the words, "and with His eyes lifted up to heaven". This action was performed by our Lord when He performed the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves (Mark 6:41), which was a foreshadowing of the Eucharist. The priest then continues with the words "unto Thee, God, His Almighty Father, giving thanks to Thee, He blessed, broke and gave it to His disciples". The priest in this prayer recalls the end of the Mass, that of thanksgiving to the Father, which is where we get the word "Eucharist," from the Greek (*eucharistia* = thanksgiving).

Finally the priest says the words of consecration acting in the person of Christ, therefore he says "for This is My Body" and not "this is the Body of Christ". He says the words just as our Lord Himself recited them at the Last Supper, and our Lord becomes present on the altar just as He was present to the apostles at the Last Supper .

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

*Information on the Traditional Mass and sacraments
can be found on our website, reginacaeliparish.org.*

Friendly Reminder

Regina Caeli Parish sits on forty acres of land, but the fenced section is the private life estate of our benefactress, who manages livestock while living on a fixed income. Please be respectful of her property. Children should be supervised at all times. Gates are not to be opened without prior permission and livestock are not to be fed. There have already been a couple of incidents that have caused hardships for Miss White. Let us be respectful of her life estate and property, particularly since she has blessed us with the donation of this beautiful land held by her family since 1839.

Announcements

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, CHANGE IN PUBLIC MASS SCHEDULE. We are making this change to assist SEAS with Confessions at their parish, in gratitude for their years of support of our parish. We will continue to offer both a public and a private Mass on weekdays and you are welcome to attend either. Please note, however, that private Masses are subject to cancellation due to an emergency or planned absence of a priest. We will announce planned absences in the bulletin.

PUBLIC MASSES: M, W, F 6:30 a.m. T, TH 7:00 p.m. Sat. 7:30 a.m. Sun. 7:30 & 9:30 a.m.

PRIVATE MASSES: M, W 7:00 p.m. T, TH 6:30 a.m. Sat. 6:30 a.m.

There is also a 11 a.m. Mass every Friday at University of St. Thomas. The first Friday of every month, there will be a third Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by First Friday devotions.

FSSP 2017 Liturgical Calendar on sale at the hallway table, \$13 cash or check payable to the parish

FSSP Christmas Card Packets for a Novena of Masses for your loved ones. Each packet includes a form to list their names and an envelope for mailing directly to the Fraternity, along with any donation you would like to make.

TODAY:

~ Second collection: FSSP Missions

~ Please be patient with us as we continue to work out space arrangements for CCD. We are moving CCD Confirmation and Church History classes to different locations. Confirmation will now meet in Fr. Van Vliet's office and Church History will meet in the sacristy. We hope this arrangement will be sufficient.

If you are joining the parish and would like to enroll your child in CCD, please contact Mary Haddox, CCD Director at ccd@reginacaeliparish.org or C.C. Grant at office@reginacaeliparish.org.

If you would like to volunteer for counting collections after any of the Sunday morning Masses, please contact Michael Charba at 281-392-6011.

Sun., Nov. 20, Regina Caeli Moms Group invites all families in the parish to join them in a "bring your own picnic basket" lunch on the parish grounds after CCD ends. To learn more, contact Jennifer Wingate at smwingate@sbcglobal.net.

The Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy ends Nov. 20. The Archdiocesan Holy Doors will close at varying dates in the month of November. To find the scheduled close dates and learn how to obtain a Jubilee indulgence, please go to our website.

May 6-16, 2017, Fr. Erik Deprey, FSSP invites you on a pilgrimage to the Canadian Catholic Shrines in Ontario and Quebec. Additional information at www.oc-travel.com/Quebec-2017/ or call 1-778-655-0387.

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Liturgical Calendar &

Mass Intentions

Nov. 13-Nov. 20, 2016

Sun., 11/13, Resumed 6th Sunday after Epiphany

7:30 a.m., Pro Populo

9:30 a.m., RIP Tom Umphreyville; requested by Robert and Patricia Billi

Mon., 11/14, St. Josaphat

6:30 a.m., Poor Souls in Purgatory; requested by Ron Truong

Tues., 11/15, St. Albert the Great

7:00 p.m., Rev. Charles Van Vliet; by a friend

Wed., 11/16, St. Gertrude the Great

6:30 a.m., Poor Souls in Purgatory; requested by Ron Truong

Thurs., 11/17, St. Gregory the Wonderworker

7:00 p.m., Sharon Brennan; by a friend

Fri., 11/18, Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul

6:30 a.m., RIP A.B. Seal; by a friend

Sat., 11/19, St. Elizabeth of Hungary

7:30 a.m., Anthony Vu; by Nhan Truong

Sun., 11/20, 24th & Last Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 a.m., Anthony Vu; by Nhan Truong

9:30 a.m., Pro Populo

First Friday of each month, there is an additional public Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by First Friday devotions.

Private Mass Schedule

Mon., Wed. 7:00 p.m.

Tues., Thurs., Sat. 6:30 a.m.

You are welcome to attend private Masses, but they are subject to cancellation if a priest is not available. Planned absence of a priest will be posted in the bulletin whenever possible.

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Parish Organizations

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Men's Schola

Practice Thursday nights
Contact: Mark Holt or Kyle Lartigue

Young Adult Group

Contact: Stephen Gann

Youth Group

Contact: Rev. Joshua Houck

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.



Regina Caeli Parish

The Priestly Fraternity of St Peter
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



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Mass and Confession Schedule

Sundays 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (High)

Mon., Wed., Fri. 6:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays 7:30 a.m.

Confession 30 minutes before each Mass; ends 5 minutes before Mass starts