

# May 14, 2017 - Fourth Sunday after Easter

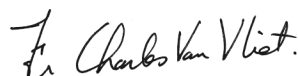
## From the Pastor

### *Series on the Mass, Part 72*

*First Apology Prayer Before Communion.* The *Agnus Dei* having been said, the priest now prays three prayers before receiving communion. These prayers are sometimes referred to as apology prayers since the priest is acknowledging that we are dependent on God and that we are sinners in need of His mercy. The first of the prayers is the one where we ask for peace, and it is a sort of extension of the last invocation of the *Agnus Dei*, "grant us your peace". This prayer is also the preparation for the kiss of peace that is used in the High Mass when there is a deacon and subdeacon assisting at the altar. Our Lord at the Last Supper pronounced the words "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you..." just prior to the first communion of the Apostles and, therefore, it is appropriate that we pray for this peace at this time, just prior to our communion.

The peace of a heart united to God can exist despite the trials and difficulties that we are faced with, be it our daily crosses or even time of war and persecution. Peace is not only the absence of trouble, but it is primarily the tranquility of order. That is why if we are properly ordered to God with the state of grace interiorly, we can have this interior peace and order despite the lack of exterior peace because of the disorder in the world around us. Only we can lose that interior peace by sin. God alone knows the order of His creation: true peace can only come from Him. What we are praying essentially, is that despite our sins, we are asking God to grant peace to His Church .

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



Men's Recollection, Friday, May 19, 7 - 9 p.m.  
Holy Hour, Confession, Spiritual Conference  
Open to all men

There will be Vespers after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.

## *Announcements*

**2017 DSF Campaign.** PARISH GOAL \$10,000. RAISED TO DATE \$4,200. If the goal is not met, the shortage will be financed out of parish operating funds. Please complete a pledge card and mail it in the envelope provided or make a donation online at [archgh.org/dsf](http://archgh.org/dsf). *Please check if your company will match your contribution, thereby increasing your gift.* If Regina Caeli is not your home parish, you may still donate on our behalf by adding our name to the pledge card and listing the amount you want allocated to the parish. Thank you for participating in DSF. More on DSF can be found at [archgh.org/dsf](http://archgh.org/dsf).

**Weekend church hours.** The church is open for private prayer on Fridays-Sundays as noted below. Please consider committing to one hour of prayer at least one day a month. Signup is at the hall table.

Fridays & Saturdays, 4-7 p.m.      Sundays, Noon-5:30 p.m.

**Saturday work days,** 10-4 p.m. If you can spare time on Saturday to assist on parish projects and grounds maintenance, please come. You can also assist during the week, but check with Fr. Van Vliet first.

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena,** 6:40 p.m. every Wednesday

**Legion of Mary meeting,** 7 p.m. every Thursday

**May 27, no private Mass.** Fr. Houck will be in Nebraska for priestly ordinations, leaving May 24 and returning May 27. Please pray for him to have a safe and holy trip.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! 3 Events, May 28-31,** mini-mission given by (Traditionalist) Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., blessing of the outdoor Stations of the Cross and celebration of our titular feast day!

*HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!*

*CONGRATULATIONS, FIRST COMMUNICANTS!*

### **TODAY:**

- ~ First Communion at 10 a.m., followed by reception in honor of the children
- ~ Second collection: Mosaic adornment to the Trinity Dome at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.

Fri., May 19, Men's Recollection, 7-9 p.m.

Sun., May 21:

- ~ Youth Group meet with Fr. Houck after the 10 a.m. Mass
- ~ Young Adults Group is on summer break. Meetings resume this fall.

Mon., May 22, Troops of St. George meeting, 7:15-8:30 p.m. Open to men and boys, ages 6 and older. More information on the parish website.

Tues., May 23, 7:15 p.m. in large room, Troops of St. George planning meeting for upcoming year

Thurs., May 25, Holy day: Ascension of Our Lord. Mass times: 6:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Upcoming FSSP events (see parish website for more details)

June 8-11, Men's Ignatian Retreat led by Fr. Buckley at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary. Cost is \$195.

Aug. 14-23, FSSP Camp Mater Dei for girls in the Black Hills of Rapid City, South Dakota

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## Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

*May 14-May 20, 2017*

### Sun., 5/14, Fourth Sunday after Easter

7:30 a.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

### Mon., 5/15, St. John Baptist de la Salle

6:30 a.m., Rev. Charles Van Vliet; by the Grants

### Tues., 5/16, St. Ubald

7:00 p.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

### Wed., 5/17, St. Paschal Baylon

6:30 a.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

### Thurs., 5/18, St. Venantius

7:00 p.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

### Fri., 5/19, St. Peter Celestine

6:30 a.m., Healing and purification of I. Ramirez;  
requested by Carlos & Marie Aguirre

### Sat., 5/20, St. Bernardine of Siena

7:30 a.m. Genevieve Troquille; requested by  
Gretchen Richardson



First Friday of each month, there is an additional public Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by First Friday devotions, which includes exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

First Saturday of each month, First Saturday devotions follow the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

## Directory

Parish Office office@reginacaeliparish.org  
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## Parish Organizations

### Men's Schola

Practice Wednesday nights, 7 p.m.  
Contact: Mark Holt or Kyle Lartigue  
schola@reginacaeliparish.org

### Young Adult Group

Contact: Stephen Gann  
youngadults@reginacaeliparish.org

### Youth Group

Contact: Rev. Joshua Houck

### Contacts for Altar Society and other groups

Please check the bulletin boards or go to the parish website and click on Groups/Ministries

## 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.

### Private Mass Schedule

Mon., Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Tues., Thurs., Sat. 6:30 a.m.

Private Masses are subject to cancellation if a priest is unavailable. Cancellations will be posted in the bulletin whenever possible.

# *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., 10:00 a.m. (High), 5:30 p.m.
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