

May 28, 2017 - Sunday after the Ascension

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 74

The Second Apology Prayer. The second apology prayer just prior to the priest receiving communion is a prayer particularly focused on Holy Communion. Dom Prosper Guéranger, O.S.B., calls it the prayer "par excellence" before communion. The prayer begins: "O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, who according to the will of the Father, through the co-operation of the Holy Spirit." The three Persons of the Holy Trinity participate in our salvation.

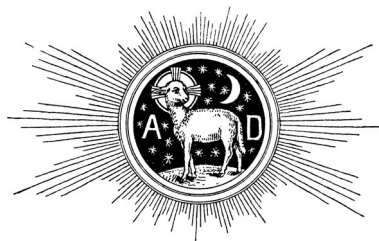
By His death on the Cross, our Lord expiated our sin; thus He removed the obstacle which prevented our being able to live the life of God. We implore our Lord to deliver us from all our transgressions and from all evils. To do this, we must obey God by adhering to His commandments. Our Lord said: "If you love Me, keep my commandments" (Jn 14:15).

We further implore Him that we may never be separated from Him. As the Church knows our weaknesses and how we flip-flop so easily, She makes us ask to remain in this obedience and love. It is precisely through the worthy reception of communion that this desire can be fulfilled. Jesus will be abiding in us for a time with His Body, but His grace will continue as long as we want it to. Thus we pray also to never be separated from Him; that is, not to commit a mortal sin. Our devotion with which we receive communion is very important, since it helps us have this correct disposition of receiving Him and abiding in His grace.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



Check the website for information on upcoming FSSP and other events!

Please stay current on your pledge commitment.

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

Announcements

2017 DSF Campaign. PARISH GOAL \$10,000. RAISED TO DATE 5,050. 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. *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.

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

LAST CHANCE to sign the spiritual bouquet card for Fr. Houck. The card will be presented to him during the reception following the 10 a.m. Mass.

TODAY:

- ~ Second collection: Catholic Communications.
- ~ Cake reception after the 10 a.m. Mass to celebrate Fr. Houck's one year anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

3 EVENTS over 3 EVENINGS!

Mini-Mission: Mass with Sermons by Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap
7 p.m., May 29-31

Blessing of Outdoor Stations of the Cross by Fr. Tuscan
6:30 p.m., May 31

Celebration of our Titular Feast Day!
Reception following 7 p.m. Mass, May 31
Please bring individual-sized desserts to share!

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Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

May 28-June 3, 2017

Sun., 5/28, Sunday after the Ascension

7:30 a.m., Fr. Houck on Anniversary of Ordination; requested by a friend

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Simon Misner-Elias; by Gayle Misner

Mon., 5/29, St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi

6:30 a.m., RIP Justo "Jake" Morones; by Christine & Steve Boss

7:00 p.m., Private intentions

Tues., 5/30, St. Felix I

7:00 p.m., RIP Samantha Polotko; by Christine & Steve Boss

Wed., 5/31, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 a.m., RIP Jeanette Cash; by the Boss Family

7:00 p.m., Private intentions

Thurs., 6/1, St. Angela Merici

7:00 p.m., Theresa Truong; by Ron Truong

Fri., 6/2,

6:30 a.m., Ss. Marcellinus, Peter & Erasmus; Theresa Truong; requested by Ron Truong

7:00 p.m., Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus followed by First Friday devotions; Theresa Truong; requested by Ron Truong

Sat., 6/3, Vigil of Pentecost, followed by First Saturday devotions

7:30 a.m., Souls in Purgatory; by Ron Truong



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

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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.

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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