

July 16, 2017 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 81

Communion of the Faithful, cont'd. The faithful are not required to communicate at Mass, but if they choose to do so, communion of the faithful takes place after the priest's communion of the Chalice. If there are communicants at the Mass, the priest genuflects, takes the ciborium or the paten with a small host elevated, turns to the faithful, and says the *Ecce Agnus Dei* ("Behold the Lamb of God..."). This is what St. John the Baptist said in presenting our Lord to the people.

The faithful respond using the same text as the priest did, which is from Matthew 8:8: "Lord I am not worthy that Thou shouldst enter under my roof, say but the word and my soul shall be healed." In reciting this prayer three times, we recognize that a simple creature is naturally unworthy to receive his Creator; however, by baptism we have become children of God. Secondly, we are unworthy because we were conceived and born in original sin and, as a result of this, there is a disorder in our being. Communion, however, will help re-establish the proper order within us. Finally, we are not worthy to receive our Lord because of our personal sins. Communion will again make us stronger to combat temptations and fight off the tempter. We ask our Lord to say but a word so that we can cease opposing His grace. We have to have confidence in Him, and if we cooperate with Him, we can become a saint.

The faithful approach the altar rail in the Traditional Mass to receive communion kneeling while the altar boy holds the communion paten under the person's chin. The kneeling position shows our humble attitude before God and is the means whereby we acknowledge that we are receiving the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. The communion paten is used to make certain that if the host or even a particle of the host should fall, that it would not fall to the ground. The Church teaches that every particle of the host is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Savior. The communion rail is like an extension of the altar to which it has an intimate relationship. The faithful, in approaching the communion rail, are also approaching the altar. Hence, there is often a communion rail cloth that is used like the one on the altar.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



Announcements

2017 DSF Campaign, 92% pledged/funded! Parish goal \$10,000; raised/pledged to date 9,175. Many thanks to all who contributed to DSF on behalf of Regina Caeli Parish. May God reward you.

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.

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.

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

Legion of Mary meeting, 7 p.m. every Thursday unless noted differently below

CCD Registration. Register your child for CCD, which starts in September. Registration forms and class schedule are on the website and the hall table. Registration deadline is August 27.

TODAY: CCD registration begins today. Forms and class schedule are on the hall table.

Tues., July 18, 7:15 p.m., Troops of St. George will meet in large meeting room

Fri., July 21, Men's Recollection, 7-9 p.m.

Sat., July 29, 4-7 p.m., Altar server get-together at a private residence. Altar servers, please join us for prayer, food, fun and games! Contact Gayle or Michael Misner for address and more information. RSVP Regrets Only to michael.misner-elias@earthlink.net.

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

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

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

Men's Recollection, Friday, July 21, 7 - 9 p.m.
Holy Hour, Confession, Spiritual Conference
Open to all men

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Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

July 16-July 22, 2017

Sun., 7/16, Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 a.m., Rodolfo Hinojosa; requested by Juana Maria Olvera

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Caleb Wingate; by Gayle Misner

Mon., 7/17, St. Alexis

6:30 a.m., Elijah Misner; by Gayle Misner

Tues., 7/18, St. Camillus de Lellis

7:00 p.m., Souls in Purgatory, especially deceased FOSS members on account of membership of Flora Bascos; by Evelyn Bulan

Wed., 7/19, St. Vincent de Paul

6:30 a.m., Souls in Purgatory, especially deceased FOSS members on account of membership of Francisco Bascos; by Evelyn Bulan

Thurs., 7/20, Jerome Emiliani

7:00 p.m., Souls in Purgatory, especially deceased FOSS members on account of membership of Jorge M. Bulan; by Evelyn Bulan

Fri., 7/21, St. Laurence of Brindisi

6:30 a.m., Jason Sublett, birthday and conversion; requested by Estella LeBlanc

Sat., 7/22, St. Mary Magdalene

7:30 a.m., Souls in Purgatory, especially deceased FOSS members on account of membership of Cardinal Burke; by E. Bulan



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.

You are welcome to attend private Masses, but they are subject to cancellation if a priest is not available. Advance notice of 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