

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 84

Purification of the Fingers of the Priest. The priest will purify his fingers once the wine has been consumed from the chalice along with any particles that were gathered from the paten and ciborium. Until this is done, the priest holds his thumb and index finger together lest any particles that may be on them are lost. The priest takes the chalice – or the ciborium if there is one to be purified – and holds it with his thumbs and index fingers held over the chalice so that the wine and water that is poured on his fingers by the altar server will wash these particles into the cup of the chalice. While doing this, the priest recites the following prayer: "May Thy Body, O Lord, which I have received, and Thy Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my inmost parts, and grant that no stain of sin may remain in me, whom these pure and holy sacraments have refreshed." As our body has received the Body and Blood of our Savior and He cleaves to our inmost parts, so should our intellect and will cleave to our Savior also. If we sin, we separate ourselves from Him, and so with the reception of this sacrament, we should desire that all trace of sin be removed and our nature be restored. This prayer dates from the 7th c. in Gaul. In earlier times, there existed rites for the purification of the faithful, which disappeared when communion was only given under one species on the tongue.

After consuming the water and wine in the chalice, the priest uses the purificator to dry the chalice and ciborium, then builds up the chalice like it was at the beginning of Mass. The purificator is placed over the chalice, then the paten followed by the pall. The corporal is folded and placed in the burse, the chalice veil is placed over the chalice, and the burse is placed on top. In the meantime, the altar servers have transferred the missal back to the epistle side of the altar where the priest will read the communion antiphon.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



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

Please stay current on your pledge commitment.  
May God reward you!

Announcements

**2017 DSF Campaign, 99% pledged/funded!** Parish goal \$10,000; raised/pledged to date \$9,940. 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

Registration forms to become a member of the parish are on the hall table. You must be registered to enroll your child in CCD. If you are not sure if you are registered, please contact the parish office by phone or email at office@reginacaeliparish.org.

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.

**Sun. Aug. 6, Troops of St. George** will have an informational table in the hallway after the morning Masses. Members will be available to answer questions.

**Mon., July 31 - Sat., Aug. 12, no private Masses.** Fr. Van Vliet will be on holidays. Please pray for him to have a safe and holy trip.

**Sat., Aug. 12,** no Saturday work at the property. Saturday work days resume August 19.

TODAY:

- ~ Stop by the Troops of St. George informational table after the morning Masses and meet some of the members.
- ~ CCD registration continues. Forms and class schedule are on the hall table.

Sat, Aug. 12, Altar Society meeting after the 7:30 a.m. Mass

Mon., Aug. 14, First Vespers of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary after the 7 p.m. Mass

Tues., Aug. 15, Holy day: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 6:30 a.m. Low Mass and 7 p.m. High Mass

Fri., Aug. 18, Men's Recollection, 7-9 p.m. Open to all men.

Pope Francis and the Bishops want to hear from you!  
October 2018 Synod on Youth and Faith  
Survey link is on our website, reginacaeliparish.org

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

## August 6, 2017 - Transfiguration of Our Lord

### Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

*August 6– August 12, 2017*

#### Sun., 8/6, Transfiguration of Our Lord

7:30 a.m., RIP Ruth and Arrel Carrier; requested by Cindy Limes

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., RIP Maureen Pette; by Heidi Kalian

#### Mon., 8/7, St. Cajetan

6:30 a.m., Francis Truong; by Ron Truong

#### Tues., 8/8, St. John Mary Vianney

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

#### Wed., 8/9, Vigil of St. Lawrence

6:30 a.m., Francis Truong; by Ron Truong

#### Thurs., 8/10, St. Lawrence

7:00 p.m., Souls in Purgatory; by Ron Truong

#### Fri., 8/11, Sts. Tiburtius & Susanna

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

#### Sat., 8/12, St. Clare

7:30 a.m., Thomas Drake; by the Cena Family



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.

**THERE WILL BE NO PRIVATE MASSES**

*Mon., Aug. 7-Sat., Aug. 12*

### Directory

Parish Office office@reginacaeliparish.org  
Open: Mon. & Fri., 8:30-4 p.m.  
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To confirm Mass requests or dates:  
registrar@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.



## *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