

October 15, 2017 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

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## From the Pastor

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### *Series on the Mass, Part 94*

*The Last Gospel, conclusion.* "Et Verbum caro factum est..." – "and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). With these few words, St. John underlines the grandeur of the mystery of the Incarnation. He who is God by nature, who is the Word of God, the Wisdom of God, who is pure spirit, took on our flesh, the nature of a creature. We can never fully grasp this mystery, and the more we try to penetrate it, the more it will impress upon us the great love God has for us. The genuflection that we do at these words expresses liturgically this admiration and adoration that we should have in the face of this mystery. He was made flesh, meaning that He did not have it before the Incarnation, and so this text also highlights that He was God from the beginning and of His own will became man, or flesh as St. John writes.

The next passage, "He dwelt among us" (John 1:14), highlights the fact that He not only took on our nature but He also lived a humble life among us, just as the rest of men. In spending thirty of His thirty-three years in His private life, He is teaching us how we should live also, humbly fulfilling our duties and working out our salvation.

"We saw His glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). This man is the infinitely glorious Son of God the Father, who sent Him into the world. His glory was revealed at the Transfiguration to St. John and two others. But it is on the Cross that our Savior's glory shines forth, which glory bursts forth at the resurrection.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



SUN., OCT. 29, End of Our First Capital Campaign!  
Celebration Reception after the 10 a.m. Mass

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

## *Announcements*

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 at any time during these hours.

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

Altar Server Practice, second Saturday of every month immediately following the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Open to all boys who have received First Communion.

Little Flowers Girls Club, second Saturday of every month, 9 –10:30 a.m. Open to girls, ages 5-11.

Knights of Columbus. If any members of the parish are already members of the Knights and would like to establish a council in our parish, please let Fr. Van Vliet know so he can evaluate whether it is feasible at this time.

Plaque to Honor Donors. October 29 marks the official end to our first capital campaign. In thanksgiving, Regina Caeli Parish is preparing a plaque honoring donors to the campaign. You can review the names that will be listed on the plaque this weekend by looking at the printed list on the bulletin board. Please keep in mind that the break down of the list generally follows the ranges of donations as they were in our campaign brochure. If you see any errors, please contact the office.

Confraternity of St. Peter enrollment forms are on the hall table. There will be a Confraternity Ceremony on Sunday, Oct. 22, for new members. New members will receive a solemn blessing and may gain a plenary indulgence. Additional information can be found on our parish website.

Nov. 2, All Souls Masses. If you wish to have the names of your deceased loved ones and friends placed on the altar during the All Souls Masses, please write their names on the sheets provided on the hall table and place in the basket. Please note that these are not Mass requests and there is no stipend offered. The priest during the Memento of the Dead will bring to mind this list of names and pray for their souls at each Mass on All Souls Day.

### TODAY:

- ~ Altar Society bake and craft sale after all the Masses
- ~ Youth Group meeting after the 10 a.m. Mass in the large meeting room
- ~ No Young Adults meeting today. Future meetings will be in a different format and open to all. The new format will be a series of adult lectures/classes.

Mon., Oct. 16, 7-8:30 p.m., Troops of St. George meeting. Open to boys and youth, ages 6 and older.

Fri., Oct. 20, 7-9 p.m., Men's Recollection, including Holy Hour, confession and spiritual conference. Open to all men.

Sun., Oct. 22, Confraternity of St. Peter Ceremony for new members after all the Masses. Please bring your Confraternity certificate for use during the ceremony. Certificates will be collected at the hall table.

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### Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

*October 15– October 21, 2017*

#### Sun., 10/15, 19th Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 a.m., Rev. Charles Van Vliet; requested by the Grants

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Souls in Purgatory; by Ron Truong

#### Mon., 10/16, St. Hedwig

6:30 a.m., RIP Fidel Garcia; by Bill & Isela Pellerin

#### Tues., 10/17, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

7:00 p.m., Vickie M. LeBlanc; by the LeBlancs

#### Wed., 10/18, St. Luke the Evangelist

6:30 a.m., RIP Victoria Dawn Tannos; requested by Stuart Ormsbee

#### Thurs., 10/19, St. Peter of Alcantara

7:00 p.m., Rev. John Izral; by Teresa Gee

#### Fri., 10/20, St. John Cantius

6:30 a.m., RIP Lucia Sabido; by Marietta Sabido

#### Sat., 10/21, Saturday of Our Lady

7:30 a.m., Rev. John Izral; by Teresa Gee



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

*First Saturday of each month*, First Saturday devotion with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

#### 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.

### Directory

Parish Office office@reginacaeliparish.org  
Open: Mon. & Fri., 8:30-4 p.m.  
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### Parish Organizations

#### Men's Schola

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

#### Altar Society

Contact: Juana Maria Olvera  
altarsoc@reginacaeliparish.org

#### Youth Group

Contact: Rev. Joshua Houck

#### Contacts for 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*

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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