

September 25, 2016 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 41

At the beginning of the Canon, the priest makes a full circle with his hands and then, bringing them together on the altar, he begins the "Te Igitur". After saying the words "we humbly pray and beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord," the priest bows down slightly and kisses the altar, which represents Christ. This prayer is very ancient. It is mentioned by Pope Innocent I in a letter written in 416 AD and also by St. Leo the Great (died 461), who speaks of the usage of mentioning the Bishop united to the Pope. The inclination at this part of the Liturgy was probably introduced in the 9th century and the kissing of the altar in the 12th century.

The Canon then makes a triple reference to the "oblata" with the words "receive and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy unblemished sacrifices." As these words are being said, the priest makes three signs of the Cross over them. The crosses evoke our Lord's Passion and the triple signs evoke the Holy Trinity.

It is characteristic of the Catholic liturgy to join signs and words together since we are both body and soul. Our whole being should be taking part in the offering and therefore we must be physically present for the sacrifice of the Mass and not just praying privately in our own room or wandering in the wilderness. The choreography of the Mass helps the faithful follow the priest during the silence of the Canon. Though the words cannot be heard audibly, we can hear them with our heart in following the gestures of the priest. This intimacy with the Mass and its ceremonies may not happen the first time we assist at the Tridentine Mass; even so, the movements and silence have a way of speaking to the heart that words cannot, such that even children can be captivated by it.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

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

Pew Assembly on October 1

Please Signup at the FLC Table to Help in this Critical Project!

Volunteers needed on October 1 to move pews from the storage unit to St. Athanasius. Heavy lifting involved so many hands will help. Work begins at 10 a.m. at the storage unit. Later in the day, if all goes well, pews will be assembled.

Welcome to Regina Caeli Parish

We appreciate the effort it takes to find and attend the Traditional Latin Mass. May God reward you.

We ask both men and women to respect modesty. The way we dress says something about our values and influences, how we behave and feel. God and His House are important. In His House, we should express this importance by our actions, our reverence, our silence, and most importantly, by the way we dress.

Announcements

Every Saturday, work at site, 10-4 p.m. Volunteers needed and much appreciated!

New Mass Schedule, effective Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016 is posted on the FLC Table.

TODAY:

~ Signup sheet to join the Saturday volunteer work crew. The list of items to be done before Oct. 29 keeps growing. Even a few hours would be greatly appreciated. Special skills not required. Open to men, women and teenagers.

Sun., Oct. 2, no CCD. Classes resume Oct. 9.

Sat., Oct. 8, to honor Our Lady of the Rosary and get the property ready for Oct. 29:

- ~ 7:30 a.m. Low Mass at SEAS
- ~ 10 a.m. Rosary procession at the property
- ~ Couple of hours of general grounds clean up. All hands, big and small, please pitch in!

Sat., Oct. 8, 8:30a.m.-12:30 p.m., March of the Surviving Youth. Mass celebrated by Cardinal DiNardo, Catholic Charismatic Center, followed by breakfast, rally and prayer at Planned Parenthood, Gulf. Fwy.

Sat., Oct. 15, Boys' altar server practice, 6:30 p.m. in FLC

Please pray for less rain.

October 29 Preparations: How You Can Help

ADMIN ASSISTANCE—stuffing and sealing envelopes for invitations, etc. Work can be done at SEAS or possibly taken home to complete. If you can assist, please contact C.C. Grant or email office@reginacaeliparish.org.

ASSISTANCE NEEDED NOW AT SITE (Saturdays and other weekdays)

- ~ More clearing needed along the entryway and entrance.
- ~ Soon the next section of the fence can be installed.
- ~ Pick up sticks and other garbage from all over the site.
- ~ Hand seed areas along the drive that are ready for seeding.
- ~ Weed control on south side of property. Wear protective clothing—a lot of poison ivy.
- ~ Prepare bell tower for move to St. Athanasius Chapel Hall.

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Regina Caeli Parish

The Priestly Fraternity of St Peter
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Liturgical Calendar &

Mass Intentions

Sept. 25-Oct. 2, 2016

Sun., 9/25, 19th Sunday after Pentecost

8 a.m. Mass, Pro Populo

11 a.m., RIP Domenick Martone; requested by John and Barbara Martone

Mon., 9/26, Sts. Jean Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues & Companions

6:30 a.m., RIP Domenick Martone; requested by John and Barbara Martone

Tues., 9/27, Sts. Cosmas & Damian

6:30 a.m., Deceased Classmates of Notre Dame H.S., Class of 1964; by the Martones

Wed., 9/28, St. Wenceslaus

6:30 a.m., Deceased Classmates of Notre Dame H.S., Class of 1964; by the Martones

Thurs., 9/29, Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel

6:30 a.m., FSSP priests; by the Martones

Fri., 9/30, St. Jerome

6:30 a.m., FSSP priests; by the Martones

Sat., 10/1, Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

7:30 a.m., Donna Siman & living and deceased clients of Angel Hair Design; by Mary Dang

Sun., 10/2, External Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary

8 a.m., Pro Populo

Sun. 10/2, 20th Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m., RIP Ruth & Arrel Carrier; by Cindy Limes

Directory

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Parish Organizations

Contact in person or email
office@reginacaeliparish.org

Men's Schola

Practice Tuesday nights
Contact: Mark Holt or Kyle Lartigue

Young Adult Group

Contact: To be announced

Youth Group

Contact: Daniel Bui

Regina Caeli Moms

Contact: Jennifer McDonald

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.



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YOU'RE INVITED!

*Saturday, October 29, 10 a.m.
Blessing of St. Athanasius Chapel Hall*

Followed by a High Mass celebrated by Fr. Van Vliet
in the presence of His Eminence.
Reception afterwards



Mass Schedule

Sundays
8:00 a.m. (High), 11:00 a.m.
Mondays—Fridays
6:30 a.m.
Saturdays
7:30 a.m.

Confessions

30 minutes before each Mass
Confession ends 5 min. before Mass.
Wednesdays and Fridays
5:45-6:45 p.m.