

Jan. 22, 2017 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 56

The Canon: Per omnia saecula saeculorum. The Canon of the Mass is entirely said in a low voice with the exception of the *nobis quoque peccatoribus* where the priest elevates his voice slightly. The choreography of the movements and the ringing of the bells allow the attentive faithful to follow the prayer very closely and truly participate in the sacrifice. At the conclusion of the Canon, the priest says out loud, or sings in the case of a High Mass, the *Per Omnia* and all the faithful respond with the *amen*. The *amen* brings to an end this wonderful prayer, and we have the opportunity to give the fervent response of a soul united to this sacrifice by giving our own "so be it, amen".

The last part of the prayer is somewhat broken off from the rest of the prayer since the priest has to place the host back on the altar, cover the chalice, and genuflect. He then turns the page of the missal (at least in most altar missals), to this concluding line and the *Pater Noster*. A similar situation occurs at the end of the Secret Prayer, where the same conclusion is said loudly, or sung, at the beginning of the Preface. The repeated action, in a sense, opens and closes the Canon, such that even the melody that is used to sing the *Per Omnia* at the conclusion of both prayers is the same. This melody will be used again before the intinction, after the breaking of the host and the separating of a small particle to drop in the chalice.

The repetition of the same melody and words acts as a framework to enclose this beautiful prayer before moving on to the next part of the Mass, which is the communion of the Body and Blood of Christ offered for the remission of our sins.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



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Announcements

2017 Boxed Envelope Sets are on the hall table for pick up. *If you have not already done so, please pick up your box and save the parish postage.*

FSSP 2017 Liturgical Calendar on sale at the table, \$13 each, cash or check payable to parish. Once these are gone, there are no more.

Ushers requested. Gentlemen, if you can serve as an usher at the Sunday Masses and on certain holy days of obligation, please sign up at the hall table. Ushers greet guests, help find seating for the faithful when Masses are especially full and take up collections during the offertory.

Weekend church hours. In order to keep the church open on Friday/Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons, we need two different persons/families signed up for each hour, even if someone has already signed up for consecutive hours. This is so that, if scheduled hour(s) cannot be met, there will still be another person at the church. Open time slots are:

Fridays, 5-7 p.m. Saturdays, 4-7 p.m. Sundays, Noon-1 p.m., 2-5:30 p.m.

Mon., Feb. 20, 7-9:30 p.m., Hugh Owens, director and founder of the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation, will present "Marriage Made In Heaven: The Special Creation of Adam and Eve as the Foundation of the Church's Teaching on Holy Marriage." The Kolbe Center is dedicated to the defense of the Traditional Catholic view of creation and related topics.

~ If you are interested in helping advertise this event, please contact Fr. Van Vliet.

~ The private evening Mass will be at 6 p.m. to allow the faithful to attend the Mass and/or seminar.

Men's altar server training. Young servers are not always available during the weekdays. If you are interested in serving a Low Mass, please contact John Burford at johnburford@comcast.net for one-on-one training at a mutually agreeable time.

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.

Lost and Found. Lost and found items are kept in the parish office for 30 days. If unclaimed after 30 days, items will be donated to Goodwill or other charity, discarded, or added to the parish inventory, as appropriate.

Today:

~ Sign up sheet to serve as usher is on the hall table (more information above)

~ Please sign up if you can commit to silent prayer in the church on Friday or Saturday evenings, or on Sunday afternoons (see above for more information).

Tues., Jan. 24, 9:30 a.m., Traditional Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Czestochowa for Joseph Barr. Mr. Barr, may he Rest in Peace, is the uncle of parishioner Helena Brown.

Thurs., Feb. 2, 7 p.m. Blessing of candles before the High Mass in celebration of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. You may bring candles to be blessed to the altar area 15 minutes before Mass. Please see the website for information on the types of candles that can be blessed.

Fri., Feb. 3, and Sun., Feb. 5, Blessing of Throats after each Mass in honor of St. Blaise

Wed., Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m., Ladies Social at private home. Please bring appetizer or dessert. Contact Gayle Misner for more information at gaylemisner@gmail.com.

PRIVATE MASSES CANCELLED: Mon., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m. & Tues., Jan. 24, 6:30 a.m.

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Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Jan. 22-29, 2017

Sun., 1/22, Third Sunday after Epiphany

7:30 a.m., RIP Anthony Hung; requested by Ron Truong

10:00 a.m., Pro Populo

Mon., 1/23, Votive Mass for Peace I

6:30 a.m., All Souls; by Nhan Truong

Tues., 1/24, St. Timothy

7:00 p.m., All Souls; by Nhan Truong

Wed., 1/25, Conversion of St. Paul

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

Thurs., 1/26, St. Polycarp

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

Fri., 1/27, St. John Chrysostom

6:30 a.m., RIP John Bapt. Thom Van Tran; requested by Mr. & Mrs. Duc Tien Do

Sat., 1/28, St. Peter Nolasco

7:30 a.m., RIP Carolyn Robinson; by Cody Sain

Sun., 1/29, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

7:30 a.m., Pro Populo

10:00 a.m., RIP Johnnie Marie Upton; requested by Raschel Elliott



Mon., Jan. 23, no 7:00 p.m. private Mass

Tues., Jan. 24, no 6:30 a.m. private Mass

Mon., Feb. 20 private evening Mass will be at 6:00 p.m.

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

Contact in person or email

Men's Schola

Practice Wednesday nights, 7 p.m.
Contact: Mark Holt or Kyle Lartigue
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Young Adult Group

Contact: Stephen Gann
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Contact: Rev. Joshua Houck

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Contact: Jennifer McDonald
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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. Planned absence of a priest 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)
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