

Jan. 5, 2020, Holy Name of Jesus

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 13: The Gloria in Excelsis Deo, conclusion

Series on the Mass was first published in 2015 and is being repeated at the request of parishioners.

The *Gloria* expresses the four ends of the holy sacrifice of the Mass. The first end is the adoration of God, which is the essence of the hymn. This adoration is expressed in several of the verses, first, in recalling the song of the angels, "Glory to God in the highest and peace on earth to men of good will"; second, with words like "we adore you, we bless you", etc. and again, toward the end of the hymn, with the words "You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the most high".

The second end of the Mass is thanksgiving, which is expressed very clearly with the words "we give you thanks." The third end is asking for forgiveness, which is expressed with the words, "You, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us." Finally, the fourth end of the Mass is petition or the asking for graces, which the words "receive our prayer" expresses. This chant was elaborated over the course of the first four centuries, starting with the words of the angels to the shepherds on that first Christmas morning and ending in its present form, probably by the end of the 4th century. At first, it was used in the office of Matins. Then it began to be used in the Mass at Christmas and Easter and, by the Middle Ages, was extended to other feasts.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



SAVE THIS DATE: JANUARY 26, 2020

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

following the 10 a.m. Mass

More information coming soon!

Exciting News! Due to the generosity of the faithful, we have sufficient funds to begin construction! Our funding goal, based on current construction bids, has been met. If some additional gifts are received and the faithful continue to make their pledge payments, we may be able to fully fund construction without taking on debt.

There are two unfunded costs: a contingency related to widening of Breen Dr. and furniture costs to be incurred upon completion of the building. If you have not yet been contacted by a volunteer during this follow-up campaign and are ready to pledge, please contact the parish office for the form(s).

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity to this parish. God love you all.

Announcements

Church hours for private prayers. The church is open for private prayer as noted below.

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

Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Bookstore kiosk, open Sundays between the morning Masses unless noted otherwise below.

Items to be Blessed are placed on the blessing table located next to the holy water container near the baptismal font. After the priest blesses the items, he will move them to the "Blessed" basket for pick up.

Low Gluten Hosts. If you require low gluten host, please see the instructions on the bulletin board.

Safe Environment Training, mandatory for those who work with children. More on our parish website.

NEW! Mass calendars are open. There is a limit on the number of Mass requests that will be accepted per family in the hopes of keeping the calendars open throughout the year. Thank you for your understanding.

TODAY:

- ~ Bookstore kiosk open.
- ~ CCD resumes.
- ~ Blessing of the Epiphany Water after the 5:30 p.m. Mass instead of Vespers.

Tues., Jan. 7:

- ~ Tower of David resumes.
- ~ 7-8:30 p.m., Troops of St. George meeting. Open to boys, ages 6 and up.

Fri., Jan. 10, 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus meeting in large room.

Sat., Jan. 11, starting 8 a.m., Parish Work Day. Fence maintenance and brush clearing. Wear protective clothing and bring water. Chain saws and tools helpful. To learn more, contact Matt Anderson or email workcrew@reginacaeliparish.org.

Sun., Jan. 12,

- ~ Breakfast Tacos on sale. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus for the benefit of the Altar Guild.
- ~ Free Throw Competition after the morning Masses for children, ages 9-14 as of Jan. 1. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Winners progress to the Regional Competition, Feb. 9, 2020, at St. Pius X High School. Birth certificate or passport required to participate.
- ~ Reception for Fr. Kodet, who will be leaving Jan. 19.
- ~ Youth Group meeting cancelled.

Cake Reception in Honor of Fr. Kodet

Sunday, Jan, 12, after the 10 a.m. Mass

Join us in thanking Fr. Kodet and wishing him the best at his new assignment!

Please pick up your 2020 stewardship envelopes. If you are registered and in need of envelopes, but do not see an envelope set in your name, please contact the parish office.

Jan. 5, 2020, Holy Name of Jesus

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Jan. 5 - Jan. 11, 2020

Sun., 1/5, Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 a.m., Thu Ha's Family

10:00 a.m. (High), Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Ruth & Arrel Carrier †

Mon., 1/6, Epiphany of the Lord

6:30 a.m., Pellerin Family

* 8:00 a.m., Cancelled

7:00 p.m., Intention of celebrant

Tues., 1/7, Votive Mass of the Holy Angels

* 9:20 a.m., Private intention

7:00 p.m., United States of America

Wed., 1/8, Votive Mass of St. Joseph

6:30 a.m., Tom Tigner Family †

* 9:30 a.m., Intention of celebrant

Thurs., 1/9, Votive Mass of Jesus Christ the High Priest

* 6:30 a.m., Private intention

7:00 p.m., Pellerin Family

Fri., 1/10, Votive Mass of the Holy Cross

6:30 a.m., Special intention

Sat., 1/11, Saturday of Our Lady

* 6:30 a.m., Private Intention

7:30 a.m., Special intention

* Mass is subject to cancellation if a second priest is not available. Advance notice will be posted in the bulletin whenever possible.

First Friday of each month, there is an additional public Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by First Friday devotion.

First Saturday of each month, the 7:30 a.m. Mass includes First Saturday devotion.



Parish Organizations

Altar Guild - Juana Maria Olvera

*Meets second Saturday of month after 7:30 a.m. Mass
altarsoc@reginacaeliparish.org*

Altar Servers - Wayo Dorsey

*Training second & third Sat. of month after 7:30 a.m. Mass
altarserve@reginacaeliparish.org*

CCD - Cheryl Hand; ccd@reginacaeliparish.org

Legion of Mary - Joseph Nwachukwu

*Meets Mondays, 7 p.m.
nwachukwuju@yahoo.com*

Little Flowers Girls' Group - Jennifer Wingate

Meets second Saturday of month, 9:30 a.m.

Men's Schola - Kyle Lartigue

*Practice Thursdays, 7 p.m.
schola@reginacaeliparish.org*

Pro-Life - Melody Reece, pro-life@reginacaeliparish.org

St. Philomena Toddler Group - Katherine Nwachukwu

*Meets Wednesdays, 9:30-12 noon
st.philomenatoddlers@yahoo.com*

Tower of David Study Group - Jennifer McDonald

Meets Tuesdays, 8:25 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Youth Group - Rev. John Kodet

Meets second Sunday of month after 10 a.m. Mass

Welcoming Committee - Rae Bielakowski

welcome@reginacaeliparish.org

Work Crew - Matt Anderson

*Saturday work projects at property
workcrew@reginacaeliparish.org*

Contacts for other groups

Please check the bulletin boards or go to the parish website and click on Groups/Ministries

St. Joseph Hour for Holiness for men over 18 years struggling with sins against purity. Contact Fr. Van Vliet by email.

Sacraments - Please see parish website.

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



Pastor: Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

pastor@reginacaeliparish.org

Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Kodet, FSSP

frjkodet@reginacaeliparish.org

8121 Breen Dr., Houston, Texas 77064

Telephone: 832-328-0876

Hours: Mon. & Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Website: reginacaeliparish.org

Email: office@reginacaeliparish.org

Mass Schedule

Sundays 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (High), 5:30 p.m.
Rosary 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass

Mon., Wed., Fri. 6:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays 7:30 a.m.

Adoration Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.

Confession 30 minutes before each Mass; ends 5 minutes before Mass starts

Vespers Sundays after the 5:30 p.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesday, 6:40 p.m.