

## From the Pastor

### *Series on the Mass, Part 32: The Sanctus*

The Sanctus, or the Holy, Holy, Holy, is the canticle of the angels in heaven which we sing or recite at the end of the Preface before we enter the silence of the Canon. The Sanctus is used by all the liturgies of the East and West. The priest recites it with a slight inclination like the Seraphim, who covered their face because they were unworthy to proclaim the praises of God (Is. 6:2). He makes the Sign of the Cross at



the second part since it is by the Cross that we receive every blessing. In the Canon, heaven and earth are united when the Second Person of the Holy Trinity once again becomes present in the Blessed Sacrament, and so it is fitting that before we enter that silence, we keep company with the angels who are in heaven adoring the Triune God. There is only one God, and so we use "sanctus" in the singular form in the Latin, but we repeat it three times because there are three Persons.

The first part of the Sanctus comes from the prophet Isaiah (6:3), who heard the Seraphim singing before the Lord. The word Sabaoth means the celestial armies, the angels who do God's will at all times in order to help govern the universe.

The second part of the Sanctus is composed of the words of the children of Israel in greeting our Lord on His triumphant entrance into Jerusalem, an event which the Church celebrates on Palm Sunday. "Hosanna"

signifies "safe" and is an exclamation of joy and praise. Hosanna is followed by "blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord". The expression "to bless" has two senses: firstly, that God blesses us when He gives us His graces; secondly, that we bless God when we celebrate His praises, which is the sense of the Sanctus, for it is the Son of God Who will come at the consecration.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Catholic Church Led by Fr. Malain  
10:30 a.m., Sat., Oct. 17, 2020

We will walk downtown from Annunciation Catholic Church to St. Joseph Catholic Church praying for the spiritual needs of the Archdiocese and for the City of Houston. There is an opportunity to gain a Plenary Indulgence during the visit to Saint Joseph's. For more info on the Indulgence see the home page of our website.

More info to come regarding parking and shuttle arrangements.



## Announcements

Religious Items to be blessed are placed on the table located in the small meeting room. **Place your name on every item to be blessed. Pick up your items within one week** of dropping them off. Please read all the rules listed on the blessing table and/or on the parish website before dropping off your items.

Public Mass calendar is closed. Private Mass calendar remains open. There is a limit on the number of Mass requests that will be accepted per family.

2020 DSF Campaign, 69% Funded. PARISH GOAL \$10,000. PLEDGED/GIFTED TO DATE \$6,855.

Each parish is required to meet its goal and a shortfall is paid from operating cash. Please mail in a completed pledge card or donate online at [archgh.org/dsf](http://archgh.org/dsf). Thank you for participating in DSF.

### TODAY:

- ~ 9:15-10:00 a.m., In-person First Communion and Confirmation classes begin.
- ~ Leaflets on the hall table reflecting on the Mass and the Passion of our Lord. Provided by the Legion of Mary.

Tues., Sept. 29, 10 a.m., In-person TOD First Communion and Confirmation classes begin.

Week of Sept. 27, Home Study CCD program begins.

Thurs., Oct. 1, Last day to submit essay to the Knights of Columbus Catholic Essay Contest for children in grades 8-12. A winner will be selected from each grade level and will receive a \$25 gift card. The 5 winning essays will be forwarded to the KC District competition. See the bulletin board for specifics.

Wed., Oct. 7, 6:30 p.m., Rosary Procession in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary. More information next week.

Mediatrix Press, a Catholic book publisher, is offering a 10% discount to parishioners who buy their books. Use the coupon code "REGINACAEIPARISH" at checkout. Join their Book Club and get a hardcover book in the mail every month plus other exclusive benefits. Cost to join is \$50/mo. Go to <https://mediatrixpress.com> to learn more and browse their catalog.



*May God reward you!*

*We are deeply moved by the continuing support of the faithful during this crisis. As an all volunteer parish, our operating budget is as low as humanly possible, but there are inflexible expenses, such as utilities, that need to be paid and ongoing costs to build the Gatehouse. Please continue to make stewardship and capital campaign donations if you can. Donations may be made online or at the church.*

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*ParishSoft Online Giving is available for stewardship and capital campaign donations. Give online at the parish website using credit card or bank account. Gifts may be one-time or recurring, at your option. PayPal is available for the capital campaign only.*

## September 27, 2020, Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Please read Rules for Mass in Pastor's Letter to Faithful (link on home page of parish website). The daily Mass is live streamed and a link posted on the home page of our parish website for viewing throughout the day.

### Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

*September 27-October 3, 2020*

#### Sun., 9/27, 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

7:00 a.m., Jordin Kirkland  
8:15 a.m., Private intention  
10:30 a.m., (High), Pro Populo  
2:00 p.m., Private intention  
5:30 p.m., Peace in USA

#### Mon., 9/28, St. Wenceslaus

6:15 a.m., Safety of Pres. Trump and his family

#### Tues., 9/29, Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel

\* 9:00 a.m., Private Intention  
7:00 p.m., Francisco & Angelita Olvera Wedding Anniversary

#### Wed., 9/30, St. Jerome

6:15 a.m., Conversion of loved ones of Thu Ha Le  
\* 9:00 a.m., Private intention

#### Thurs., 10/1, St. Remigius

\* 6:15 a.m., Private intention  
7:00 p.m., The Campaigne & Robichaux Family

#### Fri., 10/2, Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:15 a.m., Renata Ortiz & Family  
7:00 p.m., Sara & Antonio Fernandez †, followed by First Friday devotion

#### Sat., 10/3, Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

\* 6:15 a.m., Private intention  
7:30 a.m., Angelina & Federico Martinez †, followed by First Saturday devotion



### Parish Organizations ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED

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, 9-11 a.m.*  
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 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, 10:15 a.m.*  
*Text or call 832-744-4125.*

Tower of David Study Group - Jennifer McDonald  
*Meets Tuesdays, 8:25 a.m.-12:30 p.m.*

Youth Group - Rev. Michael Malain  
*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*

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Mass Schedule - Please read Rules for Mass contained in the Pastor's Letter to Faithful. Link is on the home page of the parish website. Daily Masses are live-streamed.

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| Sundays          | See back page for temporary Sunday schedule |
| Mon., Wed., Fri. | 6:15 a.m.                                   |
| Tues., Thurs.    | 7:00 p.m.                                   |
| Saturdays        | 7:30 a.m.                                   |

Adoration Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.

Confession Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. / Tues.-Thurs. 6:30 p.m. / Sat. 8:30 a.m.

Vespers **SUSPENDED**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesday, 6:40 p.m.