

January 24, 2021, Third Sunday after Epiphany

## From the Pastor

### *Series on the Mass, Part 47: The Canon, Per Quem Haec Omnia*

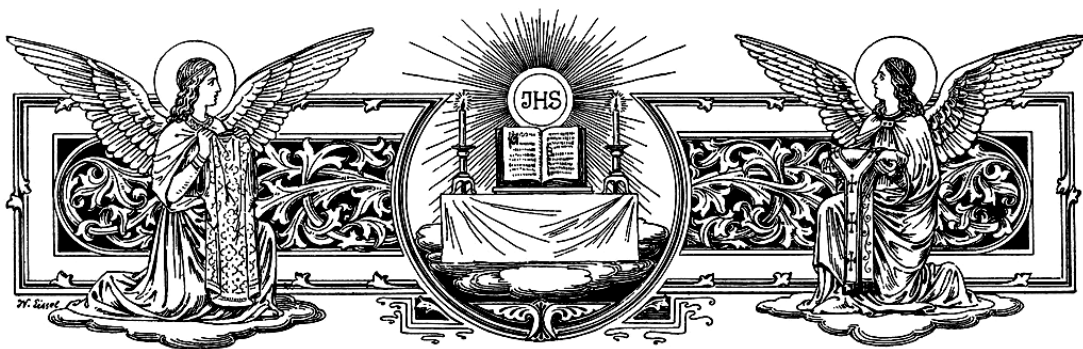
"Through Him, O Lord, Thou dost ever create these good things and dost hallow, quicken and bless them as gifts for us." This short prayer in the Canon is likely the remnant of a prayer whereby the priest blessed all the gifts that the faithful brought for the support of the clergy. In the past, the offertory was when the donations of food and other support for the clergy were brought forward, in a very organized procession, and placed to the side near the altar. Those gifts that could not be presented during the ceremony would likely be set to the side in advance. In later times, the offering was replaced with the Sunday collection through which the faithful offer their tithe (10% of their earnings in the form of cash or checks). It is an offering whereby the faithful join in the sacrifice of our Lord with something concrete that belongs to them, for it is a sacrifice to give freely.

When the gifts were in kind, the priest would make the sign of the cross three times in the direction of the gifts. The prayer was likely a longer prayer and this is what remains of it. This prayer in its shortened form, however, has a clear sense of recognizing that all the good things we have come from God through the mediation of His Son. The priest, as he says the three words "hallow, quicken and bless" makes three signs of the cross over the consecrated host and wine to show that this is where his attention is now concentrated; i.e., on the Sacrifice of Our Lord present on the altar through the consecrated species.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP



Please check the hall table to see if you have a 2021 boxed envelope set to pick up. If you do not need stewardship envelopes, please contact the parish office so that our files can be updated.

## Announcements

### NEW POLICY - RELIGIOUS ITEMS TO BE BLESSED.

Items will be blessed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month, after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

- ~ In the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month, place your items to be blessed on the cart located in the small meeting room. Please place your name on every item to be blessed and group your items according to type (i.e., rosaries, medals, crucifixes, etc.)
- ~ Please pick up your items promptly after the blessing or by the end of the last Sunday Mass the next day.

We have limited space. Please do not bring items prior to the weeks items will be blessed and please pick up your items promptly. Thank you.

2021 PUBLIC & PRIVATE MASS CALENDARS ARE OPEN. Only intentions scheduled for public Masses are listed in the bulletin. Intentions for private Masses (the starred Masses on the back page) are not listed in the bulletin. No more than 12 Mass requests per family will be accepted in 2021 in the hopes of keeping the calendars open throughout the calendar year.

Special Thanks to All Who Participated in the  
Eagle Scout Project for the St. Michael Shrine!

Please welcome Fr. William Rock from Phoenix, Arizona.

### TODAY:

- ~ Second collection: Bishops' Fund for Latin America.
- ~ Novena to Our Lady of Good Success starts today and is available on the hall table. Our Lady of Good Success appeared to a Conceptionist nun in Quito, Ecuador in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Her feast day is Feb. 2.

Sun., Feb. 7, Sale of religious wood carvings from the Holy Land after the Masses. Proceeds benefit the Melkite Catholic church in Bethlehem and in Houston. The Houston community is building St. Barbara Melkite Church, the first Melkite Catholic church in Texas.

Thank you for supporting Regina Caeli.  
May God reward you!

Your gifts fund parish operating costs and the building program. Donations may be dropped in the collection tin at the church, mailed to the parish or made online on the parish website.

Donation Acknowledgement Letters for calendar year 2020 are issued by the parish for stewardship donations and by the Fraternity for capital campaign donations. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions or concerns about the letters you receive.

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Please read Rules for Mass in Pastor's Letter to Faithful (link on home page of parish website).

### Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

January 24 - 30, 2021

#### Sun., 1/24, Third Sunday after Epiphany

7:00 a.m. ("at risk" Mass), Gloria Saldua

8:15 a.m., Private intention

10:30 a.m., (High), Pro Populo

2:00 p.m., Private intention

5:30 p.m., John Minjeroz †

#### Mon., 1/25, Conversion of St. Paul

6:30 a.m., Michael O'Brien †

#### Tues., 1/26, St. Polycarp

\* 9:00 a.m., Private invention

7:00 p.m., Jesus Esquivel †

#### Wed., 1/27, St. John Chrysostom

6:30 a.m., Mrs. Muzie Beaux †

\* 9:00 a.m., Private invention

#### Thurs., 1/28, St. Peter Nolasco

\* 6:30 a.m., Private invention

7:00 p.m., Fr. Charles Van Vliet

#### Fri., 1/29, St. Francis de Sales

6:30 a.m., Fr. Michael Malain

#### Sat., 1/30, St. Martina

\* 6:30 a.m., Private invention

7:30 a.m., Poor Souls in Purgatory

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



### 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 - Jerry Turner III

Meets Mondays, 7 p.m.  
legionofmaryrcp@gmail.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 - Amy Gorhum

Meets Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
Text or call 512-902-1427.

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 - Rules for Mass are on parish website. See link to Pastor's Letter to Faithful on home page.

Sundays See back page for temporary Sunday schedule

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.  
Saturdays, 8:30-9:00 a.m. or until all confessions are heard

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Wednesday, 6:40 p.m.