

February 7, 2021, Sexagesima Sunday

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 48: The Canon, Per Omnia Saecula Saeculorum

The Canon of the Mass is entirely said in a low voice with the exception of "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 "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

May God reward you!

2020 Donation Acknowledgement Letters have been mailed. You may receive 1 or 2 letters. The parish sends a letter for stewardship donations and the Fraternity sends a letter for capital campaign donations. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions or concerns about the letter(s) you receive.

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. Thank you!

Announcements

RELIGIOUS ITEMS TO BE BLESSED.

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

- ~ The cart for placing items to be blessed will **only** be available on the days leading up to the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month. **The next blessing of religious items will be Saturday, Feb. 13.**
- ~ 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 on the day of the blessing or by the end of the last Sunday Mass the next day.

2021 DSF WALK IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST - PARISH GOAL: \$15,000.

DSF funds more than 60 programs that benefit the faithful in our area. Each parish is required to meet its goal and a shortfall is financed out of operating cash. The home page of our website has a direct link to the Archdiocesan webpage that provides information on the programs funded by DSF and allows for online donations. You can also pick up a pledge card/envelope off the hall table. Please specify Regina Caeli Parish when you make your donation so the parish gets credit. Thank you for supporting DSF.

RETURN YOUR BLESSED PALMS to Regina Caeli **no later than Sun., Feb. 14**, to be burned for use on Ash Wednesday.

Fr. Rock will be temporarily assigned to Houston until July. He will make a short trip to Phoenix, then return. Please pray for him to have a safe trip.

TODAY:

- ~ Launch of the 2021 DSF Walk in the Light of Christ fundraiser. Parish goal is \$15,000 (see above for more information).
- ~ 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.
- ~ Please visit the Legion of Mary table for information and materials if you intend to make or renew a Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary on Thurs., March 25th. Those who consecrated in December 2020 will renew their consecration in December of this year.

Sat., Feb. 13:

- ~ Blessing of religious items after the 7:30 a.m. Mass. See above for more information.
- ~ 8:30 a.m., Parish Wide Work Day. RSVP Matt Anderson at workcrew@reginacaeliparish.org if you plan to attend or want to learn more. Open to all families.

Wed., Feb. 17, Ash Wednesday. (Low) Mass times: 6:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Fri., Feb. 19, 7-9 p.m., Men's Recollection. Holy Hour, confession, spiritual conference. Open to all men.

Sat., Feb. 20, First day of the 33-day preparatory exercise for the Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary on Thurs., Mar. 25.

Fri., Feb. 26, 7-9 p.m., Women's Recollection. Holy Hour, confession, spiritual conference. Open to all women.

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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

February 7 - 13, 2021

Sun., 2/7, Sexagesima Sunday

7:00 a.m. ("at risk" Mass), Ruth & Arrel Carrier +
8:15 a.m., Private intention
10:30 a.m., (High), Pro Populo
2:00 p.m., Private intention
5:30 p.m., Turman Family - John, Kathryn, Reed

Mon., 2/8, St. John of Matha

6:30 a.m., Conversion of Samuelson Family

Tues., 2/9, St. Cyril of Alexandria

* 9:00 a.m., **CANCELLED**
7:00 p.m., Conversion of Green Family

Wed., 2/10, St. Scholastica

6:30 a.m., Lisa Lynn Pertuso
* 9:00 a.m., **CANCELLED**

Thurs., 2/11, Our Lady of Lourdes

* 6:30 a.m., **CANCELLED**
7:00 p.m., Yok Family

Fri., 2/12, Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servites

6:30 a.m., Patricia Tigner †

Sat., 2/13, Saturday of Our Lady

* 6:30 a.m., **CANCELLED**
7:30 a.m., Coelho Family

* 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.

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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.