

August 22, 2021, 13th Sunday after Pentecost

From the Pastor

Series on the Mass, Part 73: Communion of the Faithful, conclusion

In the liturgy, the priests and other clerics who are going to approach for communion come forward in order of precedence and receive communion at the footpace of the altar. They usually assist at Mass from a place in the sanctuary inside the communion rail. At a Pontifical Mass, when the bishop is distributing communion, it used to be the custom that, after he made the sign of the cross with the Host but before giving communion, the communicant would kiss the bishop's ring as a sign of respect, fidelity and affection toward the one who brings us Christ.

When a priest is distributing communion, he simply makes a small sign of the cross with the Host and says the formula: "May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve your soul to life everlasting. Amen." Many times during Mass the priest had said "the Lord be with you," and now the moment arrives when this promise is truly fulfilled with communion of the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Savior.

The priest also asks that this sacrament preserve our soul. We receive communion through the body, but it is the soul that is preserved. Our body will fail us eventually, but the soul lives forever. In preserving the soul, our Lord helps us to remain faithful to our baptismal promises and to remain in friendship with Jesus so that when the hour of death arrives, we will be welcomed to life everlasting.

The priest also says the "Amen, so be it" confirming, so to speak, the effects that the Eucharist can have in our souls, even if imperceptible to the senses. It is up to each one to realize the effect of these graces in our life.

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

SAVE THE DATE!

2021 Fall Festival, Sat., Oct. 30, 12 Noon - 8 p.m.

REGISTER NOW!

REGISTRATION CLOSING AUG. 29!

Sunday CCD

Register online at our parish website.

Tower of David (homestudy assistance)

Classes full. *Stand by registration only.*

Contact Amy Podraza

director.towerofdavid@gmail.com.



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.

- ~ Items to be blessed may be left the Sunday through Friday prior to the date of the blessing. Please do not leave items to be blessed if the "To Be Blessed" cart is not there.
- ~ 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.

PUBLIC MASS INTENTIONS are **no longer being accepted for 2021.** The private Mass intention list remains open, but please understand that these Masses are not scheduled for a specific date or time.

BOOKSTORE KIOSK. Open Sundays, 9:15-10:25 a.m. Located in the short hallway.

GROUPS MEETING WEEKLY. Legion of Mary, Mon., 7 p.m.; St. Philomena Toddler Group, Wed., 10:15 a.m.

2021 DSF CAMPAIGN, 53.4% FUNDED. PARISH GOAL: \$15,000; PLEDGED/GIFTED: \$8,005.

Online donations may be made by clicking on the DSF link on the home page of our website or pick up a donation form off the hall table. Please specify Regina Caeli Parish when donating so the parish gets credit. If goal is not met, the parish pays the difference. Thank you for supporting DSF!

DRESS CODE REMINDER. As the weather warms up, please keep in mind the dress code, written in English and Spanish, which is posted at the entrance to the chapel and on the bulletin board. It is also on the parish website. This is a place of worship where God is present. Our dress and demeanor should reflect this.

CONSTRUCTION AT ST. ATHANASIUS CHAPEL HALL. Construction of a portico at the main entrance to the building has begun. When visiting during the week, please use the side entrance to avoid the ongoing work.

*Inaugural meeting of the Junior Legion of Mary
Saturday, Aug. 28 at 10 a.m. More information below.*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SIGN UP ONLINE AT OUR PARISH WEBSITE

- ~ Fall Festival volunteers. Adults and children, ages 13 and up may volunteer.
- ~ Sunday CCD teacher and aides. Adults only, please.

TODAY - KC Tamale Sale after the morning Masses; \$10/dozen.

Fri., Aug. 27, 7-9 p.m., Women's Recollection. Holy Hour, confession, spiritual conference. Open to all women.

Sat., Aug. 28:

- ~ Blessing of religious items after the 7:30 a.m. Mass. More information above.
- ~ 9:30 a.m., Altar Server High Mass practice.
- ~ 10-11 a.m., Junior Legion of Mary inaugural meeting in the large room. Meets weekly. Open to youth who have received First Communion up to 17 years of age who want to serve God, family and neighbors by performing works for Our Lady under the guidance of Fr. Van Vliet and Senior Legion members.

Sun., Aug. 29, Little Flowers Bake Sale after the Masses.

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Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Aug. 22 – 29, 2021

Sun., 8/22, 13th Sunday after Pentecost

7:00 a.m. ("at risk" Mass), Emma Wingate

8:15 a.m., Private intention

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

2:00 p.m., Private intention

5:30 p.m., Joe & Jerry Grant †

Mon., 8/23, St. Philip Benizi

6:30 a.m., Christine Clark

Tues., 8/24, St. Bartholomew

* 6:30 a.m., Private intention

7:00 p.m., Erasto Alcauter

Wed., 8/25, St. Louis IX

6:30 a.m., Gonzalo Gutierrez

* 9:00 a.m., Private intention

Thurs., 8/26, St. Zephyrinus

* 6:30 a.m., CANCELLED

11:00 a.m., Funeral Mass for Shirley Strubing

10:00 a.m., Viewing

10:30 a.m., Rosary

7:00 p.m., Erasto Alcauter

Fri., 8/27, St. Joseph Calasanctius

6:30 a.m., Pia Hill

Sat., 8/28, St. Augustine

* 6:30 a.m., Grant 40th Wedding Anniversary

7:30 a.m., Private intention

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



Parish Organizations

Altar Guild - Juana Maria Olvera

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

Altar Servers - Wayo Dorsey

Training 2nd & 4th Saturday of month, 9:30-11:30 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 - Mary Catharine Maxian

mcmxian@gmail.com; see website for details.

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.

Youth Group - Rev. William Rock

Meets third Saturday of month, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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 click Groups/Ministries on the parish website.

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

Tower of David - Amy Podraza,
director.towerofdavid@gmail.com.

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 - *The Masses listed below are the public Masses. See full Mass schedule on back page.*

Sundays 7:00 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

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.