

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Readings This Weekend:**

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6      1 Cor 1:1-3      John 1:29-34

**Readings Next Weekend:**

Isaiah 8:23-9:3      1 Cor 1:10-13, 17      Matthew 4:12-23



The Gospel today follows up on last Sunday's feast and, as Jesus comes up out of the water asks the question: Who is Jesus Christ? We learn in the Gospel that Jesus is Prefigured, pre-existent, preeminent, powerful and the presence of God. In is **Prefigured** since John calls him the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. And this points back to the blood of the Lamb that saved the Jewish people at the first Passover. It also points the the question of Isaac, soon to offered in Sacrifice by Abraham" "Where is the Lamb? Abraham said, God will provide the Lamb." And Jesus is the Lamb that God provides. Jesus is **preexistent**, since John says, " He existed before me" Jesus is **preeminent** since John says that Jesus must increase and he (John) must decrease. He is **powerful** since John says Jesus will baptize us with the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit is the very life and love of God. And Jesus is the **Presence** of God, for John says Jesus is the Son of God. Not a bad summary of who Jesus is in this brief Gospel.



**Sunday, January 19**

4:30pm (Sat) Mary Hudson †  
 8:00am David Booth †  
 11:00am Deborah Addison-Jones (birthday) †  
 7:00pm Ray Simpson †

**Monday, January 20** *St Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St Sebastian, Martyr*

7:00am Lillian Yates (2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary) †

**Tuesday, January 21** *Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr*

7:00am Margaret Gordon †

**Wednesday, January 22** *Pray for Legal Protection of Unborn*

7:00am Robert Gordon †

**Thursday, January 23**

7:00am June Holton-Johnson (birthday)

**Friday, January 24**

7:00am Joseph Bailey & Helen Tyler †

**Saturday, January 25**

8:00am For the People  
 4:30pm Beatrice Warren (birthday)

**MASS INTENTIONS**—It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. To offer a Mass for a friend or family, call 202-546-1885. Note that dates fill in quickly. The customary donation is \$5 per intention.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**Monday:** 1 Samuel 15:16-23      Mark 2:18-22  
**Tuesday:** 1 Samuel 16:1-13      Mark 2:23-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51      Mark 3:1-6  
**Thursday:** 1 Samuel 18:6-9, 19:1-7      Mark 3:7-12  
**Friday:** 1 Samuel 24:3-21      Mark 3:13-19  
**Saturday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22      Mark 16:15-18

**Music Schedule**

**Processional**  
 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" LMGM #492  
**Responsorial Psalm**  
 "Here am I Lord, I come to do your will"  
**Gospel Acclamation**  
 "Alleluia!"  
**Offertory**  
 \* "Here I Am Lord" LMGM #643  
 \*\* "Walk in the Light" arr. by T. Whitfield  
**Communion**  
 "Your Sacrifice" LMGM #761  
 \* 8:00am *Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate*  
 \*\* 11:00am *Church Choir*

**Mass Attendance for January 12, 2014**

4:30pm	229
8:00am	116
11:00am	207
7:00pm	32
<b>Total:</b>	<b>584</b>

**Stewardship Report 2013—2014**

Actual Tithes (1/12)	\$19,236
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**2014 CARDINAL'S APPEAL BEGINS**—Many of our parishioners received a mailing last week from Cardinal Wuerl asking you to pledge to the 2014 Appeal. The Appeal not only funds the operations of the Archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. This year's theme is "Seek First the Kingdom of God" (Mt 6:33). As we seek first the kingdom of God, we have the capability of helping it to be present in our lives and in the lives of those around us. We do this through our works of charity. Your contribution allows us and the Archdiocese to respond to the needs of others. Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to the 2014 Appeal.

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

<b>Sunday (1/19)</b> 9:30am Sunday School 9:30am RCIA/Inquirers 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	<b>Thursday (1/23)</b> 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus
<b>Monday (1/20)</b> <b>RECTORY CLOSED</b>	<b>Friday (1/24)</b> 8:00pm NA
<b>Tuesday (1/21)</b> 6:30pm Youth Ensemble 7:00pm Adult Choir	<b>Saturday (1/25)</b> 9:00 am S.O.M.E. 9:30 am Liturgical Dancers 10:30 am Sodality Bd Mtg 4:30pm Mass
<b>Wednesday (1/22)</b> <i>March for Life</i> 11:00 am Friendly Seniors 6:30 pm Liturgical Dancers 7:00 pm The Alpha Program	

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**  
 Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Roman Catholic Church, empowered by the Holy Spirit, exists to evangelize and to uphold Christian values by promoting the teachings of the Church in Word, Sacrament and Witness.


**OUR VISION STATEMENT:**  
 A welcoming, embracing and joyful faith family richly rooted in the community today, tomorrow and forever.


**PARISH LIFE**

**RECTORY CLOSED**

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>** — Rectory office closed in observance of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

**WELCOME HOME RE-ENTRY PROGRAM**—This weekend, we welcome *Deacon Bobby White* as the homilist at Mass. Deacon White and Fr. Michael Bryant are representing the Welcome Home Re-Entry Program operated under Catholic Charities. The program needs mentors to be trained to walk with men and women as they transition home from jail or prison. Some of our own parishioners are active mentors and we pray that we can recruit more. See the flyer for more information.

 **SOME (So Others Might Eat): Volunteers Needed**—HCSC parishioners are invited to help prepare and/or distribute meals at S.O.M.E. located at 71 "O" St., NW, on **Sat., Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>**. Your cooked chicken is **desperately** needed (see flyer for recipe). Drop off your non-frozen chicken to the rectory before close of business on Fri., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Call Earlene Capers at 301-910-1763.

 **OUR AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION**—will begin Sun., Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, when we *Celebrate and Remember Our Ancestors*, our foremothers and forefathers who have gone before us. Please submit your completed ancestor form to the rectory by **Monday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>**. **PLEASE PRINT ALL NAMES.** Forms are in the bulletin or at the rectory office. Also, we'll need volunteers to help decorate the sanctuary for AAHM. Please contact the rectory (202-546-1885) if you can help.

**ADW YOUTH RALLY & MASS**—occurs in conjunction with the annual National March for Life on Jan. 22 at the Verizon Center & D.C. Armory. The Rally strives to encourage the youth participating in the national March for Life in their witness as disciples of Christ and promoters of the Gospel of Life. Visit <http://youthrallyandmassforlife.org> for more information. Join us in prayer and support.

**ELECTRONIC TITHING**—Have you considered electronic tithing through the **Faith Direct** program here at HCSC? You can have your tithes deducted from your bank account TWICE a month or charged to a credit card. It is a secure, convenient way to support your parish community. Enrollment forms are in the rear of the church, the rectory office, or you can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net). (HCSC church code: DC59). Call Kim Peaks at the rectory office for more information. It's easy and it's FREE!

**END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** will be prepared only upon request beginning **Mon., Feb. 3, 2014**. Statements will not be automatically mailed. You must contact the rectory during office hours to request a statement. You can have your statement mailed or left at the rectory for pick-up. Note that only cash donations (submitted in an envelope) and checks payable to Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian are included in your statement. Loose cash (not in an envelope) given at collection cannot be reflected on your statement.

**Youth Ministry News**

**Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry**  
202-546-1885 ext. 25 (voicemail) ♦ [youthdirector@hscchurch.org](mailto:youthdirector@hscchurch.org)

**ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON YOUTH RALLY & MASS FOR LIFE**—is **Wed., Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>**, 7am until 11:30am, at the Verizon Center. The Youth Ministry has a limited number of tickets for youth who are interested in attending. Youth come from all around the country come to attend this uplifting Mass. If you are interested in more information, please contact Nicki Gebrehiwot.

**SOME, INC.**—The Youth Ministry will perform monthly community service at SOME, Inc. on **Sat., Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>**, from 10am until 1pm at 71 "O" Street, NW. Any youth age 13 or older interested in volunteering, contact Nicki Gebrehiwot.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JORDAN CAMPBELL**—who is one of 300 students selected from this area by the OSSE (Office of the State Superintendent of Educ.) to attend summer programs at selected universities. Jordan, who is a Youth Usher, will be attending Syracuse University this summer to pursue studies in forensic science. **In addition**, Jordan will be available for a book signing next weekend after the 8 & 11 mass. He recently co-authored the book entitled "Trio + 1."

**SAVE THE DATE ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE**—Join the HCSC Youth on **Sat., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>** for a tour of the Blessed John Paul II Center and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (see flyer in rear of church). For information contact Shirley Austin at 202-546-1885.

**HCSC Young Adult Ministry**

**Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller** ♦ [YAM@hscchurch.org](mailto:YAM@hscchurch.org)

Join us other young adults for a **DAY OF SERVICE** at Catholic Charities on **Sat., Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>** from 10am-2pm making bagged lunches for the homeless. Sign up online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BAEAF28A1F49-dccatholic>. Great opportunity to volunteer and meet others.

We'd like to hear from our young adults (age 18 to 40<sup>ish</sup>)! Tell us what activities interest you. Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** and tell us your thoughts, or send an email: [yam@hscchurch.org](mailto:yam@hscchurch.org). **Do you Tweet?** Follow us on Twitter for updates at   [HCSYoungAdults!](https://www.facebook.com/HCSYoungAdults/)

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*Rev. Msgr. Charles Pope, Pastor*

If you want to know more about our parish community or are interested in joining, call the rectory at 202-546-1885 or [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org).

**Mass Schedule:** Monday thru Friday at 7:00am (Chapel)  
Saturday at 8:00am (Chapel) and 4:30pm  
Sunday at 8:00am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm

**Office Hours:** Monday thru Wednesday, 9:00am—8:00pm, Thursday, 9:00am-5:00pm; Friday, 9:00am-8:00pm; Saturday, 9:00am—1:00pm; and Sunday, 9:00am—2:00pm.



For information on sacraments & funerals call the rectory office.  
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