

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 10:34-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31



Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his Blood, who has made us into a Kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming amid the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. All the peoples of the earth will lament him. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "The one who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." Rev (1:5-8). Today we acknowledge Jesus' triumph over death. Just when all seemed a total loss, the disciples experienced his resurrected glory. To those of us who remain faithful, Jesus' story is our story too. Whatever our crosses, disappointments, trials or set-backs, the truth is that troubles don't last always. The Book of Psalms reminds us, "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy will come with the morning light." (Ps 30:5). The Easter message is one of victory for us. Whatever situation you may be going through just say, I'll rise! Tell Satan, "Victory is mine!" Address every fear with the words of an old song: Because he lives, I can face tomorrow! This is the feast of Jesus' victory and ours too. Rejoice today that you're on the winning team!



Sunday, April 5 Easter Sunday

8:00pm (Sat) Elizabeth Hill Colston (birthday)
 8:00am For the Intentions of Janice Jones-Berry
 11:00am For the Intentions of Mark Nugent
 7:00pm For the People

Monday, April 6

7:00am Cruz Antonio Burke (birthday)

Tuesday, April 7

7:00am Alice Saunders †

Wednesday, April 8

7:00am For the Intentions of Alicia Trejo

Thursday, April 9

7:00am For the Intentions of Alicia Trejo

Friday, April 10

7:00am Maurice Anthony Middleton †

Saturday, April 11

8:00am For the Intentions of Cyrus Artz
 4:30pm For the Intentions of Alicia Trejo

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: Acts 2:14, 22-33 Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41 John 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10 Luke 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26 Luke 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12 John 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21 Mark 16:9-15

Music Schedule

Processional
 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" LMGM #315
 "Rejoice" LMGM #310
Responsorial Psalm
 "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia"
Gospel Acclamation
 "Alleluia!"
Offertory
 * "Because He Lives" LMGM #303
 ** "Hallelujah Is the Highest Praise" A. Patten/arr. K. Louis
Communion Hymn
 "Your Sacrifice" LMGM #761
 * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 ** 11:00am Church Choir

Mass Attendance for March 29, 2015

4:30pm	109
8:00am	152
11:00am	447
7:00pm	70
Total:	778

Stewardship Report 2014—2015

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (3/29)	\$15,728
Actual Deficit (-)	-\$618

THE LORD IS RISEN! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code **DC59** or mail in an enrollment form from the parish office. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks on 202-546-1885 or at: pam@hccscchurch.org. It's FREE and convenient!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (4/5) No RCIA No Sunday School 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Thursday (4/9) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Monday (4/6) RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (4/10) 8:00pm NA
Wednesday (4/8) 6:30pm Liturgical Dance 7:00pm Bible Study	Saturday (4/11) 10:00am Liturgical Dance 10:30am Social Concerns mtg 4:30pm Mass

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



CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mark Nugent who was Baptized at the Easter Vigil. Also during the Vigil, **Janet Jones-Berry** was Confirmed and received First Holy Communion. May God bless each of them in their journey of faith. May the power of Christ in his Sacraments be a transformative reality for each of you.

EASTER SCHEDULE

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED—Easter Monday, April 6th and will reopen on Tues., April 7th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLOSED—Classes resume April 12th, at 9:30am in the school cafeteria.

YOUTH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK—Every second Sunday we celebrate our parish youth at the 11am Mass.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—Msgr. Pope will celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on **April 12th** from 2—4:00pm. The message of Divine Mercy is that God loves us no matter how great our sins. His mercy is greater than our sins. Trust Him, receive His mercy, let it flow through us to others, and all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy Chaplet at the Basilica will start at 2pm followed by Mass.

2015 ANNUAL MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES—Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate the annual Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on **Sun., June 21st**, at 2pm at the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**. Married couples preparing to celebrate one of these specific anniversaries and want to attend the Mass at the Basilica **must submit your names to the rectory by Mon., April 13th**. Questions? Call the rectory office at 202-546-1885.



CHRISTIAN PRIDE—You've seen them worn proudly by some HCSC members. If you would like to demonstrate your pride of being a Christian and want the world to know who you are, this beautiful crucifix is available in the Candlelight store. **Cost: \$10.**

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!—The latest book by Msgr. Charles Pope, **THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**, seeks to explore the deeper meaning of each of the Ten Commandments. Msgr. Pope draws extensively from the Catechism of the Catholic Church and seeks to address questions many people have about the Commandments. Copies available in the Candlelight store. **Cost: \$6.**



2015 HCSC 10—DAY PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL, SPAIN, and FRANCE—We need an idea of how many are preparing to pilgrimage in **October**. Please contact Deborah Vanzego at: DVanzego@cmht.com or on 202-277-1823. Pick up a brochure in the rear of the church.



HCSC MUSIC MINISTRY CD "WE OFFER PRAISE" still available in the Candlelight Store and the rectory. At **only \$10** this music collection makes an excellent Easter gift.

Youth Ministry News

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HCSC YOUTH RETREAT—April 18th at the Oblate Sisters of Providence Motherhouse, Baltimore, MD. **We need your registration as soon as possible. COST: \$55 age 12 and above; \$25 age 11 and under.** See flyer in rear of Church for details!

YOUTH MINISTRY TRIP TO "JOSEPH" at the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, on **Sat., June 20th**. **COST: \$125 (13 & above); \$65 (3-12). Deposit of \$25 due.** Contact Shirley Austin at 202-368-7231. Adults are welcome to come also!

HCSC—SINGLETERARY EDUCATION AWARDS—Are you a registered member of HCSC graduating high school this Spring? Are you applying to a college, technical or trade school? Active in church activities and community service? Is your grade point average 2.5 or higher? You may be eligible for one of three monetary awards from the HCSC—Singletary Education Fund. First award is \$4,000; Second is \$3,000; and the third is \$2,000. Stay tuned for details.

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH!!! If you have a birthday in March, April or May and would like it listed in the next HCSC Youth Ministry Newsletter please submit your name, the day, and month of your birthday to the Youth Director.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

SPRING THEOLOGY ON TAP—Series on Marriage, **April 7th—May 12th** at Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle on **Tuesday evenings**. All young adults 21 yrs. and over are invited for Happy Hour specials from 6-7pm with a talk and Q/A to follow from 7-8pm.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY—meets every Monday evening at 8pm in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at sakeene@gmail.com.

We'd like to hear from our young adults (age 18 to 40^{ish})! Tell us what activities interest you. Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** and tell us your thoughts and follow us on Twitter at HCSCYoungAdults!

OUR VERY OWN ROBERT PERSON'S NEW CD, LOVE DIVINE, is available in the Candlelight Store for \$10 (and online at iTunes and CDBaby). For more information, to hear his music, and view his videos, visit www.roberteperson.com.



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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.

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

Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, 9am—8pm;
Thursday, 9am—5pm;
Saturday, 9am—1pm and Sunday, 9am—2pm

For information on sacraments & funerals call the rectory office.
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