

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 2:14, 36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10



The Gospel today speaks to us of how better to see Jesus, to have our eyes opened. Interestingly enough the answer is the Mass. For this gospel has the form of a Mass. There is a gathering of two disciples just as we gather for Mass. And sure enough, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matt 18:20). As Jesus walks with them he engages them in a sort of Penitential Rite as he inquires as to what they are discussing and doing. So too for us, we are asked to reflect on what we are doing and saying at the beginning of Mass. Then comes the Liturgy of the Word where Jesus draws from Scripture and explains its meaning to them. So too for us in the Mass as the readings and the homily break open God's Word. Next, Jesus sits at table, breaks the Bread, says the blessing and gives it to them. This is for us done in the celebration of Holy Communion. With all this, their eyes are opened and they recognize him. How? In effect, by the celebration of the Mass. It is the same for us. One last thing—they run to tell others what they have experienced, which is exactly what you are asked to do when the Deacon says, "The Mass is ended, go in peace."

FUNERALS: Norma Jackson (May 2nd)
Elise Lee (May 7th)



Sunday, May 4 Third Sunday of Easter

4:30pm (Sat) Charles Gorham, Jr. (birthday)
8:00am Stanlie M. Barton †
11:00am Leola E. Greenfield (34th anniversary) †
7:00pm Clarence Lindsey (birthday)

Monday, May 5

7:00am James O. Neal (47th anniversary) †

Tuesday, May 6

7:00am Carla Gorham (birthday)

Wednesday, May 7

7:00am For the People

Thursday, May 8

7:00am Norma Jackson †

Friday, May 9

7:00am Eva D. Greene (birthday) †

Saturday, May 10 Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest

8:00am Ray Simpson (26th anniversary) †
4:30pm Jaroslaw & Natalia Bodnaruk †

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Acts 6:8-15 John 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1 John 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1-8 John 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40 John 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20 John 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42 John 6:60-69

Music Schedule

Processional
"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" LMGM #415
"Rejoice" LMGM #310
Responsorial Psalm
"Lord you will show us the path of life"
Gospel Acclamation
"Alleluia!"
Offertory
* "Because He Lives" LMGM #303
** "For God So Loved the World" L. Wolfe
Communion
"Holy Is the Lamb of God" In the Pews
* 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
** 11:00am Church Choir

Mass Attendance for April 27, 2014

4:30pm 51
8:00am 110
11:00am 285
7:00pm 50
Total: 496

Stewardship Report 2013—2014

Actual Tithes (4/27)	\$11,311
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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. (HCSC church code: DC59). Call Kim Peaks at the rectory office for more information. It's easy and it's FREE!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (5/4) 9:30am Sunday School 9:30am RCIA/Inquirers 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Thursday (5/8) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Tuesday (5/6) 6:30pm Youth Ensemble 7:00pm Adult Choir 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (5/9) 8:00pm NA
Wednesday (5/7) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 6:30pm Liturgical Dance 7:00pm Bible Study	Saturday (5/10) 9:30am Liturgical Dance 10:00am Sunday School Teachers 10:30am Social Concerns mtg 1:00pm Holy Name Society 4:30pm Mass

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.

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

YOUTH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK—Every second Sunday we celebrate our parish youth at the 11am Mass. We invite all our youth to come and sit together at Mass. Please feel free to invite a friend!



CANNED GOODS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND—We invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (**canned** meats, stews, tuna, peanut butter, fruit) to Mass to restock our food pantry. Our ushers will collect your items during offertory. If you are unable to donate canned goods, please give to the Poor Box located on the wall near the exits since the funds support this effort.

MOTHER'S DAY CORSAGES—Support the National Oblate Sisters of Providence Alumni Association (NOSPAA) and honor your Mother/Grandmother by ordering beautiful floral corsages after Mass this Sunday. Corsages will be available for purchase thru **May 11th**. Contact Bertha Colbert on 301-567-9786.

In memory of **Mary "Winnie" Freeman**, please join **WINNIE'S WALKER'S** in the fight against pancreatic cancer at the **Purple Stride 5K Run and Walk** in Washington, DC, on **Sat., June 14th**. For information go to: http://purplestride.kintera.org/dc/winnies_walkers or call Missy Freeman Booze 240-416-1204. Flyer in rear of church.

20th ANNUAL BLUE MASS—to remember and pray for those in law enforcement and the public safety community who have fallen in the line of duty. Archbishop Donald Wuerl will celebrate Mass **Tues., May 6th at 12:00 noon at St. Patrick Church at 10th and G Streets, NW.**

SUMMER CAMPS & SCHOOLS

CAMP ST. CHARLES will hold an **Open House May 18th from 11am—4pm** for the **Boys and Girls Catholic Overnight Summer Camp**. Come for lunch, a tour, a ride on the giant swing and meet the camp staff. Visit www.campstcharles.com or call 301-934-8799.

ABBEY ADVENTURES Summer programs for Boys and Girls at St. Anselm's Abbey School June 16th—August 1st. Go to: www.abbeyadventures.org to visit the 40-acre campus located at Michigan Park and Brookland and register for the summer program.

PLEASE NOTE—From time to time, it is good to remind ourselves of the courtesies to be shown when entering God's house. Please do not chew gum or eat in church. Adults are requested to remind children (and themselves) of this discipline before entering the church.

LEARN ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH—Classes are held **Sunday mornings at 9:30am** in the rectory for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Classes are intended for non-Catholics interested in becoming Catholic. This includes adult Catholics who have missed either First Holy Communion or Confirmation. This is your opportunity to inform relatives or friends who might benefit from these instructions and formation. Contact Msgr. Pope at 202-546-1885 or email: pastor1@hscchurch.org for details.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehwot, Director of Youth Ministry
202-546-1885 ext. 25 (voicemail) ♦ youthdirector@hscchurch.org

HCSC-SINGLETERY EDUCATION FUND—If you are graduating from high school this year and planning to go to college, the HCSC-Singletary Education Fund wants you to apply for a scholarship. For information pick up a flyer and visit the link on our website: www.hscchurch.org under "Links". **DEADLINE: May 18th**.

CHILD PROTECTION—is a priority of the Archdiocese of Washington. All employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children must attend child protection workshops and undergo a criminal background check, and those who suspect child abuse must report it to the authorities. Information is available online at www.adw.org (click on "CHILD PROTECTION"), or contact the Archdiocesan Director of Child Protection Services at 301-853-5328.



NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY NETWORK—is sponsoring an **African American Catholic Youth Conference** for current 8th – 12th grade youth. The Conference is **June 26th-29th, in Cincinnati, Ohio**. The trip is sponsored by the Office of Youth Ministry and the Office of Black Catholics. For more information please contact Nicki Gebrehwot.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY—Come attend bible study just for you **every Tuesday at 8pm** in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at sakeene@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE—**Sun., May 18th** after the 11am Mass for a Young Adult Forum. We want your input and ideas for growing and strengthening our ministry. If you are unable to make it, we will "Live Tweet" from the meeting so follow us on Twitter at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)

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, or send an email: yam@hscchurch.org. **Do you Tweet?** Follow us on Twitter for updates at   [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults!)

MOVING IN, OUT OR WITHIN THE PARISH? RECENTLY MARRIED OR HAD A CHILD? Please help us keep our records up-to-date. Call the office at 202-546-1885 or send your new information to hscstaff@hscchurch.org. It is important that you are registered in the parish since weddings, baptisms and other parish services require registration. Thank you.



JUST A REMINDER: Please turn off or silence all cell phones and electronic devices during Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARISH CONNECTIONS—Visit our Parish-related links and websites and spread the word:

Parish Website: www.hscchurch.org
Fr. Pope's Sermons online: www.frpope.com
Fr. Pope's Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>

