

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 1 John 4:11-16 John 17:11-19



The Gospel today speaks of three fruits of love. First there is **Justice**. Jesus says that he loves us and that we should remain in his love. How do we know and experience that we remain in his love? By keeping the Commandments. Notice that keeping the commandments is not the cause of God's love it is the fruit of God's love. God's love for us causes us to keep the commandments. To keep the commandments is justice and hence justice is the first fruit of love. The second fruit of Love is **Joy**. Jesus says that he tells us all this so that his joy may be in us and our joy may be complete. God didn't give the commandments to take away our fun but, rather that we might find joy and happiness. The Greek word translated here as joy is *chiara* and is better translated as "calm delight." The keeping of the commandments and a life of justice brings this calm delight. The third fruit of Love is **Jesus**. He calls us his friends in this passage if we keep his commandments. Here too note the connections. God's love in us causes us to keep the commandments which brings forth joy and an experience of friendship with the Lord Jesus



Sunday, May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:30pm (Sat) For the Intentions of Alicia Trejo
 8:00am Joseph R. Washington †
 11:00am For the Intentions of Cyrus Artz
 7:00pm For the People

Monday, May 11

7:00am For the Intentions of George T. Holton, III

Tuesday, May 12 Sts Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr

7:00am For the Intentions of Kimberly Peaks

Wednesday, May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

7:00am Mary Velma Plater Gordon †

Thursday, May 14 The Ascension of the Lord

7:00am For the Intentions of Candis Stretcher

Friday, May 15 Saint Isidore

7:00am For the Intentions of our Graduating Youth

Saturday, May 16

8:00am Helen B. Tyler †
 4:30pm Joseph Bailey †

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 16:11-15 John 15:26—16:4
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 John 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11 Eph 4:1-13 Mark 16:15-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18 John 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28 John 16:23-28

Music Schedule

Processional
 * "Crown Him with Many Crowns" LMGM #344
 ** "Rejoice" LMGM #310
Responsorial Psalm
 "The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power"
Gospel Acclamation
 "Alleluia!"
Offertory
 * "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" LMGM #752
 ** "Give Love a Chance" G. Brown
Communion
 "Glorious is the Name of Jesus" LMGM #374
Marian Hymn
 * "Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly" LMGM #271
 ** "Immaculate Mary" LMGM #732
 * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 ** 11:00am Youth Ensemble – L'Tanya Holley, Choir Coordinator

Mass Attendance for May 3, 2015

4:30pm	47
8:00am	116
11:00am	320
7:00pm	47
Total:	530

Stewardship Report 2014—2015

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (5/3)	\$19,845
Actual Surplus (+)	+ \$3,499

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 pam@hccscchurch.org. It's **FREE** and convenient!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (5/10) 9:30am Sunday School 9:30am RCIA 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Thursday (5/14) 7:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Youth Ensemble 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Monday (5/11) 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (5/15) 8:00pm NA
Tuesday (5/12) 7:00pm Adult Choir	Saturday (5/16) 9:00am "Exit Plan" Workshop 10:00am Liturgical Dance 11:00am Knights of St John Aux 4:30pm Mass
Wednesday (5/13) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 7:00pm Bible Study	

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



MAY PROCESSION—Thank you to the Sodality, the May Queen (**Kayla Scott**), her Attendants (**Anna Burns and Natalie Goffney**), and Statue Bearers (**Conner Burns, Zion Humphrey, Justin Shepard, and Sean Smart**), the families, volunteers and all ministries who made our annual tribute to honor our Mother-in-Faith a beautiful celebration. May is the **“Month of Mary”** and an occasion for a tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world offer to the Queen of Heaven. Please find time to pray the rosary and offer from our hearts up to Mary an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration.



YOUTH SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND—Every second Sunday we celebrate our parish youth at the 11am Mass. All youth are invited to sit together in front of the clergy. Parents are welcome to sit with their children.

CONFIRMATION—Seven HCSC youth will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation **Thurs., May 14th** at 7pm at HCSC. They are: **Anna Burns, Monchelle Gray, Valerie Jackson, Ava Johnson, Sydney Johnson, Miles Somerville, and Alyssa Thomas**. The celebrant is the Most Reverend Herbert A. Bevard, Diocese of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. Pray for these young people that they stay strong in their faith and in this faith community.



CANNED GOODS COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND—On the second Sunday, we invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (tuna, canned meats, fruit, stews, and peanut butter) to Mass to restock our food pantry. Or, please give to the Poor Box located on the wall near the exits. These funds support this effort. Thank you.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY—will concentrate on the **Book of Ruth** starting **Mon., May 11th** in the rectory basement at 8pm.

FREE CHORAL CONCERT—The American University Chamber Singers will perform at HCSC **Tues., May 12th** at **6:45pm**. Conducted by HCSC neighbor Daniel Abraham, the program will include Renaissance, contemporary choral music, spirituals and gospel traditions. Families with small children welcome to attend any portion of the one-hour concert.

“EXIT PLAN” WORKSHOP—in preparation for your final resting place. The workshop, **“What My Family Needs To Know”**, includes speakers experienced in: medical directives, estate planning, funeral services, and burial preparations. Co-sponsored by the Women’s Ministry & the Holy Name Society, **Sat., May 16th 9am—1pm**, at the school. See the flyer in your bulletin.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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LEADERS INSPIRED TO EVANGELIZE (LITE)—Attention all youth entering grades 10 through 12! The Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring **Leaders Inspired To Evangelize (LITE)**, a five-day / four-night program (June 28—July 2, 2015) focusing on evangelization and leadership development of Catholic youth. For more information contact the Youth Ministry Director. **Spaces are limited.**

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

FINAL THEOLOGY ON TAP—The DCCATHOLIC Series on Marriage, ends May 12th at **Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle, 6—8pm. Topic for May 12: “Is Lifelong Love Possible?”** Young adults (21 yrs. +) are invited for Happy Hour from 6-7pm, with presentation 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.

HCSC YAM would 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** or follow us on Twitter for updates at HCSCYoungAdults!

HCSC SINGLETARY SCHOLARSHIP 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. Pick up an application in the rear of the church or in the rectory. **Deadline Extension Mon., May 18th**. See flyer in rear of the church.



SAVE THE DATE—HCSC FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST June 21st, hosted by the Holy Name Society, at the Center City Charter School (former HCSC School) from **9 to 11am**. Stay tuned for more details."

PRAYER BREAKFAST w/ LADIES OF GRACE—Join the Knights of Peter Claver 4th Degree Ladies of Grace, **Sat., May 30th, 9am - 12pm** at **St. Thomas More, 4275 Fourth St., SE**. Speaker: Very Reverend William Norvel, SSJ. Topic: **"We Know Something About God's Grace."** Donation: \$20 per person. No ticket sales at the door. Questions? Contact Connie Tardy 202-321-5346.

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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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