

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 1:12-14 1 Peter 4:13-16 John 17:1-11

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23



Today's Solemnity of The Ascension is sometimes overlooked because it falls between two other major solemnities of the Church: the Resurrection and Pentecost. The fact that it was traditionally celebrated on a Thursday forty days after the Lord's resurrection also helped to obscure this great feast. The Ascension is important for at least two reasons. First, Christ's ascension into heaven completes his earthly mission. As he was "lifted up into the heavens," the humanity of Jesus enters into its divine glory and the gates of heaven are now opened for us. We have the hope that we too might go with him as he promised: "When I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all men to myself" (John 12:32). Second, the ascension of our Lord allows for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It is this outpouring of the Holy Spirit which will give life to the Church and make it holy.



- Sunday, June 1** *Ascension of the Lord*
 4:30pm (Sat) Linda W. Simpson (birthday)
 8:00am Briana Snell (birthday)
 11:00am Robert J. Person (birthday) †
 7:00pm Alice Berdaus †
- Monday, June 2** *Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs*
 7:00am Mary Cobb †
- Tuesday, June 3** *Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, Martyrs*
 7:00am Vermelle H. Howard †
- Wednesday, June 4**
 7:00am Thelma Harvey †
- Thursday, June 5** *Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr*
 7:00am For the People
- Friday, June 6** *Saint Norbert, Bishop*
 7:00am Mary McPherson (birthday)
- Saturday, June 7**
 8:00am Margaret Gordon †
 4:30pm Annise Hurd Yates (115th 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:** Acts 19:1-8 John 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27 John 17:1-11
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30, 23:6-11 John 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13-21 John 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 John 21:20-25

Music Schedule

- Processional**
 "He Is Lord" LMG #304
 "This is the Day" LMG #305
- Responsorial Psalm**
 God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.
- Gospel Acclamation**
 "Alleluia!"
- Offertory**
 * "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" LMG #730
 ** "For God So Loved the World" L. Wolfe
- Communion**
 "Do This in Remembrance of Me" LMG #763
- Post Communion**
 "My Good Lord's Done Been Here" arr. by M. Hogan
 "My Good Lord's Done Been Here" arr. by G. Burleigh

* 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 ** 11:00am Church Choir

Mass Attendance for May 25, 2014

4:30 p.m.	53
8:00 a.m.	132
11:00 a.m.	251
7:00 p.m.	49
Total:	485

Stewardship Report 2013—2014

Actual Tithes (5/25)	\$12,583
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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

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| Sunday (6/1)
7:00pm Mass
8:00pm AA | Wednesday (6/4)
11:00am Friendly Seniors
6:30pm Liturgical Dance
7:00pm Bible Study |
| Tuesday (6/3)
6:30pm Youth Ensemble
8:00pm YAM Bible Study | Friday (6/6)
8:00pm NA |
| | Saturday (6/7)
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

YOUTH SUNDAY MOVED—Due to PENTECOST SUNDAY on June 8th, **Youth Sunday** has been moved to **June 15th** for the month of June only.

PENTECOST is **Sunday, June 8th** and on this day we pray, *“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.”* Please invite family and friends to come share this holy day with you here at Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian and **wear red** in recognition of the flame of the Holy Spirit.

“LATIN” MASS FOR PENTECOST—On **Sat., June 7th** at **4:30pm**, Msgr. Pope will celebrate a Latin Mass at Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian. All are welcome to join us at this traditional high mass.

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS—The current Liturgical schedule has been issued via e-mail to those with access to the internet and is available on our website under the heading “Worship.” Hardcopies are also available behind the altar in the sacristy.



WELCOME!—We welcome our summer seminarian **Emanuel Lucero** who is originally from Argentina. Emanuel is in his third year at the Redemptoris Mater Seminary. He is the sixth born of nine (six brothers and two sisters).



To our Minister of Religious Education, Shirley Austin, and the Catechists for Sunday School and the Children’s Liturgy of the Word **Thank You** for your commitment to bring the Word of God to our youth. Sunday School is now on summer break. Watch for an announcement in August for the start of next year’s enrollment.

CANNED GOODS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND—We invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (**canned** meats, stews, tuna, fruit and peanut butter) 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY—HCSC will host our Annual Family Vacation Bible School on **Wednesdays starting July 30th through August 20th at the school**. Stay tuned for this year’s theme. Sessions are planned for every age group from youth to adults and dinner will be served.

ANNUAL FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST—sponsored by the HCSC Holy Name Society will be **Sun., June 15th from 9—11am**. **Cost: \$7 per person**. Tickets available from Holy Name members or in the rectory office. See flyer.

“HONORING OUR BROTHERS”—The **Knights of Columbus** will hold its **First Annual Awards Banquet Sat., June 21st 6—9pm** at the school. **Donation: \$5 per person**. Tickets available from any Knight.

SAVE THE DATE—Friendly Seniors Annual Cruise Luncheon on **Wed., July 16th** at Suicide Bridge Restaurant. **Cost: \$65 per person**. Stay tuned for more details.

Youth Ministry News

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SAVE THE DATE (Sunday, June 15th)—Youth Sunday for the month of June only has been moved to the third Sunday of the month.

HONORING HCSC GRADUATES—If you are a registered member of HCSC and graduating in June 2014 from middle/high school, college or graduate school you will be honored at the **11am Mass on June 15th**. You are asked to bring your cap and gown, if available. **DEADLINE to RSVP to the rectory office is no later than Sunday, June 8th**.



SAINT JOHN’S FOOTBALL CAMP—Five separate weeklong sessions **during the month of June** for boys in grades 2 thru 9. Camp tuition is \$195 each week. Group discounts available. Visit stjohnsfootballcamp.com or call 202-380-1711 for more information.

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.

HOLY CROSS SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS—Girls basketball, soccer, softball, Pom & Cheer, lacrosse, field hockey & volleyball. Visit www.academyoftheholycross.org and click on **Summer at AHC** (on the right menu) or call 301-942-2100.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

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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@hcschurch.org. **Do you Tweet?** Follow us on Twitter for updates at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)



FAITH QUEST PILGRIMAGE—The archdiocese is sponsoring the 2nd Faith Quest Pilgrimage between June 7th and September 7th as part of its 75th Anniversary celebration. Gather some friends and visit the more than 20 churches and shrines that tell the story of the Church in the ADW. The self-guided pilgrimage is free but you will need a Faith Quest Passport to participate. Visit eight or more sites and be invited to a Mass celebration, reception, and prizes for participants. Contact Jenny Bernal de Baker (301-853-4551; jbaker@adw.org) or visit www.adw.org/faithquest.

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

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

