

**MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

**Readings This Weekend:**

Exodus 24:3-8 Hebrews 9:11-15 Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

**Readings Next Weekend:**

Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Mark 4:26-34



As we work to evangelize, one of the key texts of Scripture to commit to memory is John 6:53 "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." Jesus was referring to the Holy Communion we must receive every Sunday. He references the situation of the Jewish people in the wilderness. They had finally been led out of slavery in Egypt and passed through the Red Sea into freedom. This is an image of baptism. But they were not in the promised land yet. They had to journey across the desert before they could enter the Promised Land. Food was scarce in the desert and when they were near death God gave them manna from heaven each morning. Manna was a dough-like substance they collected from the field and could be kneaded and baked like bread. Hence, they called it "bread from heaven." Without that bread they would not have made it to the Promised Land. Jesus is saying the same to us. It is not enough to be baptized. We have to journey across the desert of this life to the Promised Land of heaven. In order to make it we also have to eat or perish. This is why Jesus says "UNLESS you eat..." Unless we regularly receive Holy Communion we are starving spiritually and Jesus warns that we will not make it. He says we are dying and have no life in us. Share this warning with your loved ones who have fallen away from receiving Holy Communion and also tell them how you find nourishment in Mass every weekend.

**FUNERALS**—Frances Young (June 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Agnes Chase (June 15<sup>th</sup>)



**Sunday, June 7** *Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*  
4:30pm (Sat) Mary McPherson (birthday)  
8:00am Denise Rodgers (birthday 6/3)  
11:00am Rita G. Holland †  
7:00pm Lilia Jacob †

**Monday, June 8**  
7:00am Louise Chase † (birthday 6/4)

**Tuesday, June 9** *Saint Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church*  
7:00am Marie Moten † (birthday 6/4)

**Wednesday, June 10**  
7:00am Rev. Msgr. Eddie Tolentino (birthday)

**Thursday, June 11** *Saint Barnabas, Apostle*  
7:00am For the Intentions of Cyrus Artz

**Friday, June 12** *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
7:00am Nannie Williams (birthday)

**Saturday, June 13** *Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
8:00am For the People  
4:30pm For the Intentions of Andrea Morton

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**Monday:** 2 Corinthians 1:1-7 Matthew 5:1-12  
**Tuesday:** 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 Matthew 5:13-16  
**Wednesday:** 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 Matthew 5:17-19  
**Thursday:** Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3 Matthew 5:20-26  
**Friday:** Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8-9 Eph 3:8-19 John 19:31-37  
**Saturday:** 2 Cor 5:14-21 Is 61:9-11 Luke 2:41-51

**Music Schedule**

**Processional**  
"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" LMGM #383

**Responsorial Psalm**  
"I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord."

**Gospel Acclamation**  
"Alleluia!"

**Offertory**  
\* "I want to walk as a Child of the Light" LMGM #420  
\*\* "Feed Us Lord" C. Petty

**Communion**  
"Jesus in the Morning" LMGM #391

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

**Mass Attendance for May 31, 2015**

4:30pm	65
8:00am	98
11:00am	309
7:00pm	56
<b>Total:</b>	<b>528</b>

**Stewardship Report 2014—2015**

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (6/00)	\$13,167
Actual Deficit (-)	-\$3,179

**ELECTRONIC TITHING**—What is the best way to ensure your parish receives the support needed for our operating expenses and ministries during the busy summer months? eGiving through Faith Direct! Please enroll today by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) or call Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885. Our church code is DC59. Increased enrollment with Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances during the coming summer months when many families are away on vacation. Thank you for your continued support of your parish family with your time and talents, as well as your treasure.

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

**Sunday (6/7)**  
1:15pm Liturgical Dance  
7:00pm Mass  
8:00pm AA

**Monday (6/8)**  
7:00pm Powell Memorial Mass  
8:00pm YAM Bible Study

**Tuesday (6/9)**  
6:30pm Youth Ensemble  
7:00pm Adult Choir

**Wednesday (6/10)**  
11:00am Friendly Seniors  
6:30pm Liturgical Dance  
7:00pm Bible Study

**Thursday (6/11)**  
2:00pm Unbound Training  
7:00pm Knights of Columbus

**Friday (6/12)**  
8:00pm NA

**Saturday (6/13)**  
10:30am Social Concerns  
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 Rev. Mr. Charles and Doris Edelin who celebrated their **65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary** on Wed., June 3<sup>rd</sup>. May God continue to bless their union.

**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 FOOD COLLECTION NEXT WEEK**—We invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (**canned** meats, stews, tuna, peanut butter, fruit) to Mass to stock our food pantry. 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.



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**—The schedule for the next quarter has been issued to each minister and limited copies are also available in the sacristy. You can also view the schedule on our website at [www.hcscchurch.org](http://www.hcscchurch.org). **NOTE:** the Mass sign-in sheet is now located in the chapel.

**INFANT BAPTISM CLASS**—is scheduled for **Sat., June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am** in the rectory basement. If you are interested in having an infant or small child baptized then please contact the rectory (202-546-1885) to register.



**HONORING HCSC GRADUATES**—If you are a registered member of HCSC and graduating in June 2015 from middle/high school, college, or graduate school (any age) you will be honored at the 11am Mass on **June 14<sup>th</sup>**. Deadline for submission is this Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. See flyer in rear of church, on the HCSC website, or contact the rectory (202-546-1885).

**DELIVERENCE. FREEDOM. BELONGING**—Do you repeatedly struggle with the same sin areas? Do you feel hopeless that you'll never be free? Do you want to tap into the healing power of the Gospel? Plan to attend the **UNBOUND: Freedom in Christ Conference, June 12—13**, at Mother of God, 20501 Goshen Rd., Gaithersburg, MD. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington. Register at: [www.motherofgod.org](http://www.motherofgod.org). Registration questions? Call 301-990-2081. Conference questions? **Contact HCSC Deacon Kevin Butler:** [UnboundADW@aol.com](mailto:UnboundADW@aol.com).



**CHECK OUT OUR PARISH CALENDAR** on our website at [www.hcscchurch.org](http://www.hcscchurch.org). Events and activities for the year are posted here daily.

**SAVE THE DATE**—Vacation Bible School begins **Wed, July 29<sup>th</sup>**. Stay tuned for more details.

**Catholic Charities Food Ministry Networking Workshop**—at St. Margaret Food Pantry, on **Wed., June 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am—12 pm**. Everyone is invited to come see improvements in the St. Margaret Food Pantry, 408 Addison Rd., Suitland, MD, and share information about successes, best practices, and challenges in your own food ministry. For more information, call (301)731-4703 ext. 307. Please RSVP at [laura.yeomans@catholiccharitiesdc.org](mailto:laura.yeomans@catholiccharitiesdc.org).

**Youth Ministry News**

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

**THANK YOU** to all the catechists, youth leaders and parents who volunteered and assisted with the End-of-the-Year Cookout held last week at the school for our youth. Have a blessed summer!

**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**) focusing on evangelization and leadership development of Catholic youth. **Spaces are limited.** Questions? Contact Nicki Gebrehiwot.

**HCSC Young Adult Ministry**

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

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY**—meets every Monday evening at 8pm in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at [sakeene@gmail.com](mailto:sakeene@gmail.com).

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

**HCSC FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST** hosted by the Holy Name Society, **Sun., June 21<sup>st</sup>, 9—11am**, at the school. **Tickets: \$7** available from any Holy Name member or the rectory office. Questions? Contact Renard Blanchard (240-838-4753).

**NEPAL EARTHQUAKE RELIEF**—Catholic Relief Services (CRS) teams are distributing emergency relief supplies to earthquake survivors in Nepal. CRS is bringing aid to remote mountainous areas heavily affected by the deadly earthquake that struck on April 25. Thousands of people have received emergency shelter kits, including tarps and tools, as well as other critical items like blankets and sanitation items. To learn more about the work of CRS, please visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org). Thank you.

**VACATION TIME IS HERE**—Whether you stay at home, visit relatives or friends, or travel, it is our hope and prayer that you and your family will enjoy yourself, get some much needed rest for your mind and body, and enrich yourself physically and spiritually. The time spent on vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments of course. No matter where you are, make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass. We should remember to always keep the Lord's day sacred. What better time to pray in thanksgiving than while you are resting and recreating? Visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) for Mass times and locations around the country.



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

Parish Website: [www.hcscchurch.org](http://www.hcscchurch.org)  
Fr. Pope's Sermons online: [www.frpope.com](http://www.frpope.com)  
Fr. Pope's Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>

