

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Readings This Weekend:

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16 1 Cor 10:16-17 John 6:51-58

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19



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 fallen away loved ones and also tell them how you find nourishment in Mass every weekend.



Sunday, June 22 *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

4:30pm (Sat) Ruby Roberts
 8:00am J. D. MacDonald †
 11:00am Thelma Harvey †
 7:00pm Stanlie M. Barton †

Monday, June 23

7:00am David Wilson †

Tuesday, June 24 *The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*

7:00am Msgr. Pope (25th Anniversary of Ordination)

Wednesday, June 25

7:00am Hasina & Justin Reed (wedding anniversary)

Thursday, June 26

7:00am John B. Macon (birthday—6/25) †

Friday, June 27 *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

7:00am Beatrice Warren †

Saturday, June 28 *Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00am For the People
 4:30pm Ruby Roberts

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: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-18 Matthew 7:1-5
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66, 80
Wednesday: 2 Kings 22:8-13, 23:1-3 Matthew 7:15-20
Thursday: 2 Kings 24:8-17 Matthew 7:21-29
Friday: Deut 7:6-11 1 John 4:7-16 Matthew 11:25-30
Saturday: Lament 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Luke 2:41-51

Music Schedule

Processional
 "Let All the People Praise Thee" (Refrain Only) LMGM #475
Responsorial Psalm
 "Praise the Lord, Jerusalem"
Gospel Acclamation
 "Alleluia!"
Offertory
 * "Glorious is the Name of Jesus" LMGM #374
 ** "Do This in Remembrance of Me" LMGM #763
Communion
 "Holy Is the Lamb of God"
 * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 ** 11:00am Church Choir

Mass Attendance for June 15, 2014

4:30pm	62
8:00am	108
11:00am	264
7:00pm	35
Total:	469

Stewardship Report 2013—2014

Actual Tithes (6/15)	\$9,984
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TITHING WHILE ON VACATION—Church attendance during summer months tends to drop as families go on vacation. But the services we provide within the parish community continue year round, as do their associated expenses. Your consistent financial support of our parish is vital to achieve our stewardship mission. The easiest way to be sure that your gift of treasure reaches us, even when you can't be here, is to enroll in our electronic offertory program: **Faith Direct**. Once enrolled, you can relax knowing that Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian will receive your gifts throughout the summer. Enrollment forms are available in the rectory office or to enroll online, go to: www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is DC59. Call Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 if you have questions.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (6/22) 2:00pm St. Thomas Aux #64 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Thursday (6/26) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Tuesday (6/24) 7:00pm Adult Choir 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (6/27) 8:00pm NA
Wednesday (6/25) 7:00pm Bible Study	Saturday (6/28) 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



CORPUS CHRISTI—This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ or Corpus Christi, which commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist, the 5th Luminous Mystery of the rosary.

*"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you; he who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."
-- John 6:53—54*



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO MSGR. POPE who will celebrate the **25th anniversary of his ordination Tues., June 24th**. May you receive a multitude of blessings as you continue to preach, teach and live the Word of God. **Stay tuned for information on a parish-wide celebration to be held this fall.**

CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the *HCSC—Bonnie Singletary Education Fund!* The funds for the 2013-14 academic year are awarded to: **Kelly Peaks** (\$4,000) who will attend Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY; **Atiya Dorsey** (\$3,000) who will attend the University of Florida in Gainesville; and, **LaKisha Wilson** (\$2,000) who will attend Livingstone College, Salisbury, NC. Also, thank you to the HCSC parish family for your donations to this education fund offering our college-bound students valuable assistance. Pray for continued success for each recipient and God bless each of you.

THANK YOU **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**—Thanks to all who supported our annual Father's Day Breakfast. Because of your support the breakfast was a tremendous success. Enjoy your summer.

SOME (So Others Might Eat): Volunteers Needed—HCSC Ministries prepare lunch every 4th Saturday at **SOME, 71 "O" St., NW**. Your cooked chicken is desperately needed (**see flyer for recipe**) for **Sat., June 28th**. Your non-frozen chicken may be dropped at the rectory before close of business on Fri., June 27th. Questions? Contact Earlene Capers 301-910-1763.



HCSC FRIENDLY SENIORS—hosts the **Annual Luncheon Cruise on Wed., July 16th** to Suicide Bridge Restaurant. **Cost: \$65 per person.** See flyer in rear of church.

2015 HCSC PILGRIMAGE TO PORTUGAL, SPAIN and FRANCE—Msgr. Pope is planning a 10-day pilgrimage in October of 2015. If you are interested in participating in the experience contact Deborah Vanzego at 202-277-1823 or DVanzego@cmht.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY—HCSC will host its Annual Family Vacation Bible School on Wednesdays from **July 30th thru August 20st at 6:30pm at the school**. Sessions are planned for every age group from youth to adults and dinner will be served. The theme is **"REAL LIFE AT THE TIME OF JESUS"** focusing on *daily life at the time of Jesus*. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!** Call Kim Peaks (202-546-1885 or pam@hcschurch.org).

Youth Ministry News



Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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END OF THE YEAR TRIP—to Busch Gardens, **Thurs., July 10th**. Registration forms still available. **COST: \$68** includes transportation, park entrance, refreshments on bus, and a meal ticket. Contact: Nicki Gebrehiwot on 202-546-1885 ext. 25. **We need to know who is interested in this trip, otherwise it may have to be cancelled. See flyer for details.**

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hcschurch.org

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!

BLOOD DRIVE—sponsored by the HCSC Sodality & the American Red Cross—**Sun., July 13th** from 9am-2pm in the rectory basement. **You must sign up prior to the event to donate and we need a minimum of 50 people to participate before we can hold the blood drive. Sign-up after each Mass beginning Sat., June 28th.**



For information, contact Natleen Chance at 202-526-7st02 or nghan@comcast.net. For info on the American Red Cross, visit www.pleasegiveblood.org/gcp or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. Please consider giving the gift of life by donating blood. Thank you.

VACATION TIME IS HERE—Whether you stay at home or travel, visit relatives or friends, 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. Of course, the time spent on vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments. 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 for Mass times and locations around the country.



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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 hcsstaff@hcschurch.org.

Mass Schedule: Monday thru Friday at 7:00am (Chapel)
Saturday at 8:00am (Chapel) and 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm

Office Hours: Monday thru Wednesday, 9:00am—8:00pm,
Thursday, 9:00am—5:00pm; Friday, 9:00am—8:00pm; Saturday,
9:00am—1:00pm; and Sunday, 9:00am—2:00pm.

For information on sacraments & funerals call the rectory office.

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