

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Genesis 18:1-10 Col 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42

Readings Next Weekend:

Genesis 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13



Today we welcome Fr. William Odeke, a priest from Kenya, in Central Africa, who will speak to us of the Missionary Activity of the Church. The Catholic Church in Africa is flourishing in terms of growth in numbers. The Liturgies are vibrant and the Faith is strong and deeply rooted in the Gospel. Vocations are also strong and Africa is now sending many missionary priests to distant lands. And, yet, though flourishing in human resources, the Church is in many African nations and in need of financial and material resources. Poverty and persecution take their toll. Please listen carefully today to Father's message and contribute generously to the second collection if you can. If you write a check, make it out to Holy Comforter and we will forward the funds through the Missions Office of the Archdiocese of Washington. God bless you.

To the Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian Parish Family: Thank you for your love and support during the recent passing of **Sterling Savoy**, my husband, our father and brother. May God bless each of you for your kindness. Regards, Michelle Savoy and Family.



Sunday, July 17

8:00am For those listed in our Book of Intentions
 11:00am Eunice A. White † (birthday)
 7:00pm For the souls lost to terrorism and hatred †

Monday, July 18

7:00am For those who "Protect and Serve"

Tuesday, July 19

7:00am For the intentions of Tricia Lindsay

Wednesday, July 20

7:00am For the intentions of Helen Fieldings

Thursday, July 21

7:00am Marian Turner † (birthday)

Friday, July 22

7:00am Christopher Eckl †

Saturday, July 23

8:00am For the People
 4:30pm For those who died protecting others †

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: Micah 6:1-4, 6-8 Matthew 12:38-42
Tuesday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 Matthew 12:46-50
Wednesday: Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10 Matthew 13:1-9
Thursday: Jeremiah 2:1-13 Matthew 13:10-17
Friday: Jeremiah 3:14-17 John 20:1-2, 11-18
Saturday: Jeremiah 7:1-11 Matthew 13:24-30

Music Schedule

Processional
 * Come Now, Almighty King LMGM #334
 ** The Glory of the Lord Stephen Hurd

Responsorial Psalm
 He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation
 Alleluia!

Offertory
 * In the Garden LMGM #425
 ** Great is thy Faithfulness Kenneth Louis

Communion Hymn
 Sweet, Sweet Spirit LMGM #327

Post Communion
 Total Praise Richard Smallwood

Recessional
 A Follower of Christ LMGM #628

* 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor – George Stewart, Director of Music
 ** 11:00am Church Choir – George Stewart, Director of Music

Mass Attendance for July 10, 2016

4:30pm	53
8:00am	121
11:00am	200
7:00pm	111
Total:	485

Stewardship Report 2016—2017

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (7/10)	\$21,301
Actual Surplus (+)	+ \$4,955



JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CORNER

Praying for the living and the dead is a spiritual work of mercy that undergirds and is present in all of the other works of mercy. Feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, admonishing sinners, and all the rest are all works of Christian mercy because they are manifestations of our prayer that all people would encounter the merciful face of God. The Christian Life is rooted in prayer, where we dialog with God, listening, seeking, thanking, praising, and especially asking, "Thy will be done." Pray for the living and the dead that God's will is lived out in their lives every day and purifies their souls in eternity. Learn more about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy at mercy.adw.org.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (7/17) **Friday (7/22)**
 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm NA
 8:00pm AA

Tuesday (7/19) **Saturday (7/23)**
 7:00pm Adult Choir 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

MISSION WEEKEND AT HCSC: Missionary priest, Fr. William Odeke, a Kenyan national (Tanzania), is a member with the Society of the Divine Word (SVD). He is currently pursuing his doctoral studies in Systematic Theology at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium. He is visiting our parish **July 16—17th** to celebrate Mass and share the experiences of mission work and apostolates. A special collection will be taken to support this mission. We ask you to please be generous. Thank you and God bless you!

CONGRATULATIONS to the *HCSC/Singletary Education Fund* award recipients!!! The scholarships for the 2016-17 academic year were awarded to: **Jordan Shepard** (\$4,000) who will attend Morgan State University in Baltimore, MD; **Kayla Scott** (\$3,000) who will attend Stevenson University in Owings Mills, MD; and, **Emmari Lancaster** (\$2,000) who will attend Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, WV. Also, **Thank You** to the HCSC parish family for your donations to this education fund and offering our college-bound students invaluable assistance. We pray for continued success for each of the recipients and to all of our students who submitted impressive applications. God bless each of you.



FOR THE FAMILY: Every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the school beginning **July 27—August 17**, HCSC will host Family Vacation Bible School for **adults and youth** of all ages. The theme will focus on 'Mercy'. A light meal will be provided. See flyer for more info and to RSVP.

"The Journey—A Summer Concert": **HCSC MUSIC MINISTRY CONCERT, Sunday, July 31st at 4pm** in the church. **Free admission** but you must pick up a ticket from the rectory office. All are invited to come and worship in song with George Stewart and our Music Ministry for a special summer concert.



S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat)—Parishioners are invited to help prepare meals for S.O.M.E. located at 71 "O" St., NW, on **Sat., July 23rd**.

Your cooked chicken is **desperately** needed (**see flyer in rear of the church for recipe**). Drop off your non-frozen chicken at the rectory before close of business on Fri., July 22nd. Questions? Call Earlene Capers on 301-910-1763.

COMMENT BOX: The HCSC Parish Pastoral Council wants your input for strengthening our Parish and spreading God's Word. Comment cards and a collection box will be available in the vestibule of the church. All input is welcome.



ELECTRONIC TITHING/FAITH DIRECT: We are very grateful to everyone who is a part of our HCSC family. We appreciate all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. Your participation in the life of our parish helps us fulfill our vision and mission. Please consider that HCSC continues to be open for Mass, numerous activities and the Sacraments. Your generosity through our electronic tithing program called Faith Direct helps provide consistent resources to operate our parish and ministries. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use **our church code: DC59**.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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Many thanks to all the youth and their families who attended the HCSC Youth Ministry End-of-Year Trip. Also, thanks to the Youth Leaders for their assistance in making this a memorable event.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins July 27th and we have prepared special sessions for our youth from grades Pre-K to 12th. The Youth component will gather to focus on the 23rd Psalm, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Please plan on attending with your family.

SAMPSON: The HCSC Youth Ministry is sponsoring a trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, **Sat., Nov. 26th** to see the biblical production of **Sampson**. Transportation and meal included. For ticket information, contact Shirley Austin (202-368-7231) or Terri Scott (301-922-3763).

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org



WORLD YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION for YOUNG ADULTS: On **Sat., July 30th** at

Catholic University of America join thousands of young adults (18-39, married and single) from across the region at **Kraków in the Capital**, a day-long experience coinciding with the celebration of World Youth Day with Pope Francis in Kraków, Poland. Experience Kraków, and encounter Christ through: Polish food and music, bilingual talks from bishops and national speakers, a visit to the National Holy Door of Mercy, Adoration, Confession, Stations of the Cross, Vigil Mass with Cardinal Wuerl, a late-night concert, and more! Get information by testing 'wydDC' to 84576 or register at wydDC.org. #wyddc.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets every Monday evening at 8pm in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at sakeene@gmail.com.

We'd like to hear from our young adults (age 18 to 40^{ish})! Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** and follow us on Twitter at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)

ATTENTION MINISTRY/ORGANIZATION CHAIRS: The annual Parish Calendar meeting is **Monday, July 25th** at 6:30 pm in the rectory basement. Please plan on attending or sending a representative. More details to follow.

VACATION TIME IS HERE: No matter where you are, vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments. Visit **DiscoverMass.com** for Mass times and locations around the country. Make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass and keep the Lord's day sacred.

PARISH CONNECTIONS: Visit our Parish-related social media links, websites and apps to help spread the word:

- ♦ Parish Website: www.hscchurch.org
- ♦ Fr. Pope's Sermons online: www.frpope.com
- ♦ Fr. Pope's Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>
- ♦ **NEW!!** HCSC App: [myParishapp](https://myParishapp.com)

