

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

1 Kings 19:9-13 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33

Readings Next Weekend:

Is 56:1, 6-7 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28



The Gospel for this Sunday reminds us to keep our eyes on the prize. Notice first of all, how the Gospel describes **Distance** as a source of problems. The text says that Jesus had the disciples get in a boat and head to the other side of the lake while he remained behind. This distance between Jesus and his disciples leads to the second stage of the Gospel which is **Distress**. The text says while out on the lake a bad storm blew up causing the disciples to be distressed for their safety. Further, as Jesus approaches the disciples by walking on the water they think he is a ghost. This then leads to the third stage of the Gospel which is **Decision**. Jesus tells them to take courage and Peter decides to step out in faith. At Jesus' command he steps out of the boat and walks on the water. But then comes the fourth stage, which is **Distraction**. Peter is distracted by the fierceness of the storm and takes his eyes off the prize, which is Jesus. Sure enough Peter begins to sink and calls out to Jesus to save him. Grabbing hold of Peter, Jesus takes him back to the boat to join the others and there comes the final stage of the Gospel which is **Development**. In this final stage their faith has been strengthened and their faith develops for they say of Jesus, "Truly you are the Son of God." (Matthew 14:33)



Sunday, August 10

4:30pm (Sat) William B. Simmons, Sr. †
 8:00am Rita Brown (1st anniversary) †
 11:00am Rita G. Holland †
 7:00pm Anika Williams (birthday)

Monday, August 11 *Saint Clare, Virgin*

7:00am Andrew J. Barnes, Sr. (birthday) †

Tuesday, August 12 *Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

7:00am Ann Elaine Wilson (birthday) †

Wednesday, August 13 *Sts Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs*

7:00am HCSC Youth Ministry

Thursday, August 14 *Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr*

7:00am Intentions of Bishop John Kalloor

Friday, August 15 *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:00am DeVon "Tony" Turner †
 10:00am Virginia H. Washington †
 7:00pm For the People

Saturday, August 16 *Saint Stephen of Hungary*

8:00am Ollie & June Johnson (6th wedding anniversary)
 4:30pm William G. Williams, III †

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: Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28 Matthew 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4 Matthew 18:1-5, 10-14
Wednesday: Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Matthew 18:15-20
Thursday: Ezekiel 12:1-12 Matthew 18:21-19:1
Friday: Rv 11:19, 12:1-6, 10 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Saturday: Ezekiel 18:1-13, 30-32 Matthew 19:13-15

Music Schedule

Processional
 "One More Day" LMGM #485
Responsorial Psalm
 "Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation."
Gospel Acclamation
 "Alleluia!"
Offertory
 * "Lead Me, Guide Me" LMGM #538
 ** "Choral Praise"
Communion
 "Praise Him!" LMGM #446
Post Communion Music
 ** "Choral Praise"
 * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 * 11:00am Terrence & Kathy Richburg, Guest Ministry

Mass Attendance for August 3, 2014

4:30pm	48
8:00am	118
11:00am	205
7:00pm	47
Total:	418

Stewardship Report 2014—2015

Actual Tithes (8/3)	\$16,830
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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 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. Your deductions are taken out twice a month and you can change it at any time. Enrollment forms are available in the rectory office or enroll online at: www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is DC59. Call Kim Peaks (202-546-1885) with questions.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (8/10) 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Friday (8/15) 10:00am Mass 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm NA
Tuesday (8/12) No Choir rehearsal 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Saturday (8/16) 4:30pm Mass
Wednesday (8/13) 6:30pm Vacation Bible School	

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



RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS— Through **Wed., August 27th** the Rectory Office will close on **Wednesdays** at **5pm**. Regular Wednesday evening hours will resume on **Wed., September 3rd**.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY—HCSC is hosting its Annual Family Vacation Bible School on **Wednesdays thru August 20st at 6:30pm** at **St. Benedict the Moor**. Because dinner will be served you must register. **Over 100 adults/youth were in attendance last week!** See flyer in rear for details.



PLEASE, we still need your help to make our Vacation Bible School an event to remember. If you can help with set-up or food distribution contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or pam@hscchurch.org.



FAITH DAY AT NATIONALS PARK—on **Sat., Sept. 6th at 4:30pm** as the Washington Nationals take on the Philadelphia Phillies. Stay after the game for a special presentation of Nationals players testimonials and a **FREE Postgame Concert** featuring contemporary Christian musician Lincoln Brewster! If you are interested in discount group tickets contact Jimmie Walker at the rectory on 202-546-1885.



HCSC Friends & Family Picnic is **Sat., Sept. 13th** at Cosca Park in Clinton, MD. This change of date allows us to return this event to its original intent as part of our celebration of our patron Saint Cyprian. We need help from many parishioners to make this a successful event. Many different types of talents are needed, so please come to the meeting. Call Annette Brooks on 202-361-4699 to find out how you can help plan and carry out this activity.

BAPTISM FOR INFANTS—If you have an infant or young child who needs to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org and leave your name and contact information. **Baptismal preparation class will be held on Sat., Sept. 6th at 10:00am in the rectory.** Please call the rectory to register to attend.

200 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE CATHOLIC FAITH—is a publication written by our own pastor, Msgr. Pope. It first appeared in OUR SUNDAY VISITOR and is now available in the Candlelight store. Donation: \$5.



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

VACATION NOTE—While you are on vacation this summer don't forget to attend Mass wherever you may be visiting. Go to: www.masstimes.org for Mass times and locations around the country.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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"BACK TO SCHOOL WITH GOD"—A day of fun, food and fellowship at **Incarnation Church, 880 Eastern Ave., SE, Sun., Aug. 17th at 2pm**. Students, parents, and teachers are invited to attend this special service to receive a special blessing before our students return to school. There will be school supply giveaways, backpack raffles and light refreshments.

EAST OF THE RIVER REVIVAL—Oct 6-8, 2015—will sponsor a *Combined Dance Ministry Team* which will minister on the second night of the revival which is **Youth Night, Tues., Oct. 7th**, at St. Joseph in Largo, MD. Rehearsals are held every Saturday until the event. The Combined Dance Ministry is open to all youth over 5 years old in the Archdiocese of Washington. If you are interested in being a part of this event, contact Keisha Jackson at 202-486-2152 or kemg78@gmail.com.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

CHRIST IN THE CITY—Young Adult Mass every 2nd Thursday of each month at Immaculate Conception (8th & N Streets, NW)! Adoration and Confession at 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm. Contact: DCCatholic@adw.org or visit www.facebook.com/DCCatholic/events.

HCSC YAM is planning a **YAM "Grill the Priest" Cookout** event this summer, so please make sure to **"Like"** us on Facebook for more details.

To help us plan future event, tell us what activities interest you. **Please complete the brief survey** at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KHJML7Q>. Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** or send an email: yam@hscchurch.org. **Do you Tweet?** Follow us on Twitter at **HCSCYoungAdults!**

CAG FAMILY & FRIENDS COOKOUT—Sat., Aug. 16th at Oxon Run Park, Mississippi Ave., & Wheeler Rd., SE, from 12 noon to 7pm. Entertainment by DJ Raymond. Monetary donations accepted. Contact: Shanta on 202-415-0677.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON—is seeking a **Counselor** for Mount Olivet Cemetery. The position involves extensive interaction with the public and assists families with the purchase of at-need and pre-need services for burials and entombments. The candidate will also perform a variety of administrative duties that require maintaining pristine records and filing. Knowledge of Microsoft Windows (Word and Excel) is needed. Some office experience preferred. The ability to work with grieving family members in a compassionate manner required. Email resumes to David Webb at: mto1@ccaw.org.

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

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

