

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Luke 4:21-30

Readings Next Weekend:

Isaiah 6:1-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11



The first reading today is of the Call of Jeremiah the Prophet. In it we learn three things about our own prophetic call. First, that there is a **Call**. Jeremiah is told by God that he has been called to be a prophet long before his birth. It is not as if God, on a whim, pointed to him and said, "He'll do." Rather, God has very carefully prepared and planned for Jeremiah's prophetic call. So it is with us too. God has summoned you to prophesy not in some sort of vague manner but in a long planned for way. Each interaction has been provided beforehand. Next, notice the **Courage** of the call. Jeremiah is to accept the fact that he will be opposed and ridiculed. But he is to stand fast and remember that God has everything under control and that Jeremiah has all he needs to accomplish his task. He is not to be afraid. The same is true for us. We may not feel up to the task of evangelization but that doesn't matter. It is God who is the real evangelizer and He will use us as he sees fit. Finally, there is the **Conclusion** of the prophetic task. An old Spiritual says: "... see what the end shall be." And the end or conclusion is always victory if we trust the Lord. So, fight on. Stay on the battlefield and know that ultimate victory awaits you.

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, February 3
 8:00am Lilian Yates †
 11:00am Carter G. Woodson †
 7:00pm Ruth E. Browder †
Monday, February 4
 7:00am Elza Moraes †
Tuesday, February 5 *Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*
 7:00am Sylvia Moraes †
Wednesday, February 6 *St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs*
 7:00am For the intentions of John Richey
Thursday, February 7
 7:00am For the intentions of Margaret Richey
Friday, February 8 *Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*
 7:00am For the People
Saturday, February 9
 8:00am Martin Paczynski †
 4:30pm Ricardo Vanzego †

MASS INTENTIONS: It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. To offer a Mass in memory of a friend or family member, call 202-546-1885. The customary stipend is \$5 per intention.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Hebrews 11:32-40 Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday: Hebrews 12:1-4 Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday: Hebrews 12:4-7 Mark 6:1-6
Thursday: Hebrews 12:18-19, 21-24 Mark 6:7-13
Friday: Hebrews 13:1-8 Mark 6:14-29
Saturday: Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21 Mark 6:30-34

Music Schedule

Processional
 * Lift Every Voice and Sing LMGM #649
 ** Glad To Be in God's Service

Responsorial Psalm
 I will sing of your salvation. Psalm 71

Offertory
 * God Has Smiled on Me LMGM #499
 ** I Will Sing Hallelujah

Communion
 * Here I am, Lord LMGM #643
 ** I Know It Was the Blood LMGM #382

Post Communion
 * Ave Maria F. Schubert

Recessional
 ** Rejoice

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

Mass Attendance for January 27, 2019

4:30pm 56
 8:00am 112
 11:00am 230
 7:00pm 118
Total: 516

Stewardship Report: January 1—31, 2019

Budgeted Tithes: Jan. 1—31, 2019	\$63,076
Actual Tithes Received: Jan. 1—31, 2019	\$55,302
Budgeted Goal Percentage: Jan. 1—31, 2019	88%

ELECTRONIC TITHING (FAITH DIRECT): We are thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but we realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **DC59**. If you have questions, you can call Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (2/3) 9:30am RCIA 9:30am Sunday School 8:00pm AA	Wednesday (2/6) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 6:30pm Liturgical Dance 7:00pm Bible Study
Monday (2/4) 6:00pm Holy Name meeting 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (2/8) 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday (2/5) 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	Saturday (2/9) 10:00am Liturgical Dance 10:00am Holy Name meeting

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



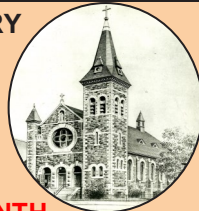
BLESSINGS upon **Charlie Kuhlman** who will be Baptized, **Sun., Feb. 3rd** into the family of Jesus Christ. May God bless him in his journey of faith. To commemorate this event, the altar flowers were donated by Charlie's family.



SCHEDULE CHANGE: Sunday School **will not** meet on **Feb. 10th** due to the AAHM Luncheon event at the school. Classes will resume on February 17th.

CELEBRATING the 125TH ANNIVERSARY of the ESTABLISHMENT of SAINT CYPRIAN PARISH

"How Firm A Foundation"



UPCOMING EVENTS

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH MASS & LUNCHEON on Sun., Feb. 10th — ONE Mass at 10:00AM followed by a parish-wide luncheon with Dr. John McGreevy, author of *Parish Boundaries: The Catholic Encounter with Race in the 20th Century Urban North*. See bulletin cover for more details.

SUBMIT YOUR ST. CYPRIAN PHOTOS!! We continue to invite you to submit photos and artifacts from Saint Cyprian Church prior to the merger with Holy Comforter in 1966 for our display case in the HCSC vestibule and throughout the church. All items will be handled with care and returned to the owner. See the featured brochure in vestibule for a list of upcoming events. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks (pam@hscchurch.org, or 202-546-1885).



CANNED GOODS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: HCSC Social Concerns Ministry will re-open our parish food pantry. We need your donations to re-stock the pantry with **non-perishable** food. On the second Sunday of every month, we invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (**canned meats, tuna, stews, peanut butter**) to Mass. Please do not bring cereal or perishable foods. Our ushers will collect your items next weekend after each Mass.



The **February—April 2019** scripture schedule has been distributed via email and is also posted on our HCSC website. A limited number of hard copies are available in the sacristy.

HCSC YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS—will be prepared **only upon request** beginning **Mon., Feb. 4, 2019**. Statements will **not** be automatically mailed. You must contact the rectory during office hours to request your statement and have it either mailed or left at the rectory for pick-up. **NOTE:** only cash donations (submitted in an envelope) and checks payable to Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian are included in your statement. Your statement will **not** reflect loose cash donations not placed in an envelope.

FAITH DIRECT YEAR-END STATEMENTS: For HCSC parishioners who tithe through Faith Direct you will automatically receive your 2018 year-end giving statement directly from Faith Direct at no additional cost.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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➔ **SAVE THE DATES** ⬅

HCSC YOUTH RETREAT: March 16-17, 2019, at the Msgr. O'Dwyer Retreat House. Youth in grades 1—12 are invited to participate. Stay tuned for registration details.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry



YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY—meets **Mondays at 8PM** in the rectory. Join other young adults with Msgr. Pope in the discussion of scripture. We are studying the **Gospel of John**. Come and meet other young adults!

EVENINGS WITH THE MERCIFUL JESUS: On the 22nd of every month from 7-10pm, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE) hosts a gathering for young adults and the young at heart, featuring a talk, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with praise and worship music, Confession, refreshments, and a time for fellowship. For more information, visit: jp2shrine.org, or contact: events@jp2shrine.org.

THE WORD AMONG US: February issues are available in the Candlelight Store. **Cost: \$2 each.** This publication is designed to help Catholics find genuine renewal and refreshment in God's grace, encouragement to read the Word of God, and offers daily meditations based on the Mass readings. *Limited supply!*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION / HOLY HOUR—is held **EVERY FRIDAY from 6—7PM** in the sanctuary. Parishioners are invited to attend a wonderful opportunity to gather and reflect in quiet prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR CHRISTIANS IN SYRIA: The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC, is part of the Franciscan Custody (province) that has served the people and shrines in the Holy Land for 800 years. Please keep the Franciscan friars and parishioners in Syria in your prayers as they struggle to keep our Catholic faith alive in the midst of the war that has engulfed this second cradle of Christianity, the place of St. Paul's conversion. Learn more at myfranciscan.org/Syria or call 202-526-6800, x895.

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To learn more about our parish community or if you are interested in joining, contact us at: hscstaff@hscchurch.org or 202-546-1885.

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

Office Hours: Mon, Tues, and Fri, 9am—8pm;
Wed and Thurs, 9am—5pm; Sat, 9am—1pm; and, Sun, 9am—2pm.
For information on sacraments and funerals call the rectory office.

- **NEW** Pastor's Media Links: MSGRPOPE.com
- HCSC App: myParishapp.com
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