

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Luke 6:17, 20-26

Readings Next Weekend:

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38



The well known Beatitudes in the Gospel today should be seen as a portrait more than a prescription. In effect, Jesus is painting a picture of what a transformed human person looks like. It is not possible for us to simply do all these things under our own unaided flesh power. We may make a little progress but in the end we will tend to slide back in what the flesh wants to be: selfish, rich in what this world offers, and quite well liked by the world. Only with grace is it possible to become truly poor in spirit. Specifically, to prefer God to the things of this world that we stop acquiring endlessly and live more simply and with austerity. The flesh does not want to do this. The flesh wants to acquire, to be abundant with the world's blessings and good favor. Only grace can make us prefer God to what this world offers and to be willing to be hated and persecuted by this world. The more we are transformed by God's grace, the less we resemble the world and the more we resemble the picture that Jesus paints today.

FUNERAL: Jacqueline McPherson (February 13th)

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, February 17
 8:00am Martha Campbell † (birthday)
 11:00am Eleanor M. Holland †
 7:00pm For the intentions of Kathy Katterfield

Monday, February 18
 8:00am Rasheeda Cockrell (birthday)

Tuesday, February 19
 7:00am Joseph E. Campbell †

Wednesday, February 20
 7:00am Joseph E. Campbell †

Thursday, February 21
 7:00am William R. Campbell †

Friday, February 22
 7:00am For the People

Saturday, February 23
 8:00am Antionette Regina Womack †
 4:30pm For the intentions of Ruby Roberts

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, call 202-546-1885. The customary stipend is \$5 per intention.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15, 25 Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22 Mark 8:22-26
Thursday: Genesis 9:1-13 Mark 8:27-33
Friday: 1 Peter 5:1-4 Matthew 16:13-19
Saturday: Hebrews 11:1-7 Mark 9:2-13

Music Schedule

Processional
 * Lead Me, Guide Me LMGM #538
 ** Every Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving LMGM #490

Responsorial Psalm
 Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

Offertory
 * I Will Trust in the Lord LMGM #576
 ** The Lord Is My Light LMGM #572

Communion
 Blest Are They LMGM #602

Post Communion
 ** The Beatitudes Gail J. Murphy

Recessional
 ** I Will Trust in the Lord LMGM #576

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

**Mass Attendance
February 10, 2019**

4:30pm 60
 10:00am 323
 7:00pm 103
Total: 486

Stewardship Report: February 1—15, 2019

Budgeted Tithes: Feb. 1—15, 2019	\$31,538
Actual Tithes Received: Feb. 1—15, 2019	\$33,092

ELECTRONIC TITHING (FAITH DIRECT): Have you already slipped on those New Year's Eve Resolutions? Skipped a few days at the gym, slept in instead of that morning run, picked up fast food instead of packing a lunch... Don't worry, eGiving with Faith Direct is an easy resolution to keep! By enrolling in online giving, you will simplify your monthly budgeting and provide Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian with consistent, reliable support. Signing up is easy! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **DC59**, or text the word ENROLL to (Text-to-Give Phone Number). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (2/17) 9:30am Ladies of Charity mtg 9:30am Sunday School 9:30am RCIA 8:00pm AA	Wednesday (2/20) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 6:30pm Liturgical Dance 7:00pm Bible Study
Monday (2/18) RECTORY CLOSED 8:00pm Young Adult Bible Study	Friday (2/22) 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday (2/19) 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	Saturday (2/23) 10:00am S.O.M.E. (off-site) 10:00am Liturgical Dance

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 **XAVIER SHAH PAGE** who was Baptized, **Sun., Feb. 10th** into the family of Jesus Christ. May God bless and watch over him in his journey of faith.

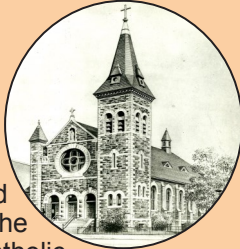
RECTORY CLOSED

Mon., Feb. 18th the rectory office is closed in observance of the **PRESIDENTS DAY** Federal holiday. Also, because of the holiday, morning Mass will begin at 8:00 a.m.

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

“A LEGACY OF ENDURING FAITH”

We are planning various activities and events **throughout 2019** to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of Saint Cyprian Catholic Church. **Pickup a brochure** in the vestibule of the church near the displays of photos and artifacts from Saint Cyprian Church for more information on upcoming events. **You are invited to submit photos and memorabilia from Saint Cyprian Parish for display.** All items will be handled with loving care and returned to the owner. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks (pam@hcschurch.org, or 202-546-1885). Visit our website for more information.



50TH ANNIVERSARY of the APPEAL: The new theme is **“Our Faith. Our Hope. Our Mission.”** Different from a one-time special collection, this pledge campaign allows you to make your gift of support to our ministries and missions payable over a ten month period. Your gift to the Annual Appeal touches the lives of thousands. Look for the Annual Appeal brochure in your pew. As you review the work enabled by your contribution, reflect on God’s gifts to you. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our archdiocese and give Him thanks for all He has given us. This year, you can support the Annual Appeal in different ways. You may respond to the mailing many of you received in January, or you can give support **online at adw.org** or **text “Give” to 301-231-1816**. As every year, 100% of your contribution to the Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. An opportunity to support the Appeal will be provided at Mass over the next couple of weekends. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

HCSC YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS for 2018 will be prepared only upon request. 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. Statements 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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HCSC YOUTH RETREAT: March 16-17, 2019, at the Msgr. O’Dwyer Retreat House. Youth in grades 1—12 are invited to participate. If you are interested in attending the Youth Retreat, please contact Nicki Gebrehiwot, HCSC Youth Ministry Director.

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!



S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat): On the 4th Saturday, HCSC parishioners are invited to help prepare meals for homeless men, women and children at S.O.M.E., 71 “O” St., NW. Our next event is **Sat., Feb. 23rd**. Your cooked chicken is desperately needed (see flyer for recipe). Your non-frozen chicken may be dropped at the rectory by **4pm on Fri., Jan. 25th**. Last month HCSC volunteers fed 256 people. Questions? Contact Katy Kuhlman at 615-337-2193, or katy.kuhlman@gmail.com.

SAINT MARGARET’S SPIRITUAL STEPPERS is hosting a Black History Month program, **“Paths To Freedom”** and the **HCSC Liturgical Dance Ministry** has been invited to participate. Come and support an HCSC ministry at **St. Margaret’s of Scotland**, 410 Addison Road, Seat Peasant, MD 20743, on **Sat., Feb. 23rd**, from **7—9PM**.



JOB OPENING AT HCSC: We are seeking a **Custodian/Janitor** for the church and rectory. The work week will consist of 25-plus hours with a flexible schedule. Salary determined by skill set and experience. Must have some knowledge of using floor buffers and handling cleaning chemicals. Handyman skills are a plus. If you are interested, submit your resume to the rectory office or email to pam@hcschurch.org. You will be contacted. Please **DO NOT** call the office with questions. Questions will be handled when you are contacted.

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To learn more about our parish community or if you are interested in joining, contact us at: hcsstaff@hcschurch.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
- **Follow us on Social Media:**