

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 1:1-11 Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 John 14:15-16, 23-26



On today's Feast of the Ascension we acknowledge that the Lord has gone to heaven for us. He has gone there not to abandon us but to prepare a place for us (John 14:2). He has also gone to take his place at the Father's right hand where he can intercede for us (John 14:12, Heb 7:5). Yet, He also goes to send us the Holy Spirit

(John 14:25; 16:7). A final purpose of his going is stated in John 12:32, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." This is of special note to us who prepare to evangelize more intentionally. The Lord wants to draw all people to himself. But how will he do this? You may have guessed it has something to do with you! The Lord says in Acts 1:8, "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." Who do you suppose the "you" refers to here if not you? As the Lord ascended into heaven an angel spoke to the apostles (and to us). "And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven?'" (Acts 1:10) And so, while it is good for us to look to heaven each Sunday it is also important to remember that the Lord has an evangelizing work for us to do. Are you ready?

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

- Sunday, June 2** *The Ascension of the Lord*
8:00am Briana Snell (birthday)
11:00am For the People
7:00pm For intentions of Sr. Mary Daughter of Anne
- Monday, June 3** *St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs*
7:00am Vermelle H. Howard † (birthday)
- Tuesday, June 4**
7:00am Zachary Carlson
- Wednesday, June 5** *Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr*
7:00am Barbara Parks Saunders (birthday)
- Thursday, June 6** *Saint Norbert, Bishop*
7:00am William Hoff †
- Friday, June 7**
7:00am Opal Hoff †
- Saturday, June 8**
8:00am Helen B. Tyler †
4:30pm Joseph Bailey †

To place a Mass intention, contact the rectory office (202-564-1885).

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- Monday:** Acts 19:1-8 John 16:29-33
- Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27 John 17:1-11
- Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11-19
- Thursday:** Acts 22:30, 23:6-11 John 17:20-26
- Friday:** Acts 25:13-21 John 21:15-19
- Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 John 21:20-25

Music Schedule

- Processional**
* Crown Him with Many Crowns LMGM #344
** He Reigns Shekinah Glory
- Responsorial Psalm**
God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord
- Offertory**
* Holy God, We Praise Thy Name LMGM #465
** Credo Robert Ray
- Communion**
* Your Sacrifice LMGM #761
** All Is Well Michael Dotson
- Post Communion**
* Ave Maria F. Schubert
** It's Time to Talk with God Dr. Patrick Bradley
- Recessional**
* Go LMGM #320
** Go Out W. Clifford Petty
- * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, *Cantor*—George Stewart, Music Director
** 11:00am Church Choir—George Stewart, Music Director

Mass Attendance for May 26, 2019

4:30pm	48
8:00am	122
11:00am	259
7:00pm	99
Total:	528

Stewardship Report: May 1-31 2019

Budgeted Tithes: May 1—31, 2019	\$63,076
Actual Tithes Received: May 1—31, 2019	\$62,546
Budgeted Goal Percent: May 1—31, 2019	99%

ELECTRONIC TITHING AT HCSC: By enrolling in eGiving through **Faith Direct** you can plan your giving through the summer so your gifts will reach Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian even when you cannot, and our ministries can continue uninterrupted. Signing up is easy! Visit faith.direct/DC59. Call Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 if you have any questions about electronic tithing. Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

- Sunday (6/2)**
9:30am RCIA Fellowship
9:30am Sodality member mtg
8:00pm AA
- Monday (6/3)**
8:00pm YAM Bible Study
- Tuesday (6/4)**
6:30pm Youth Choir
7:00pm Adult Choir
- Wednesday (6/5)**
11:00am Friendly Seniors
6:30pm Liturgical Dance
7:00pm Bible Study
- Friday (6/7)**
6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
- Saturday (6/8)**
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



CONGRATULATIONS to **BILLY GRIBBIN & SONDRAL CLARK** who were joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at HCSC on **May 25th**. We pray that their union will be blessed with love and devotion to God and each other.



BLESSINGS to **Kiran Christopher King** and **Akari Denis-Gomez** who were Baptized into the family of Jesus Christ on May 26th. May God bless them in their journey of faith.

COMMEMORATIVE PRAYER GARDEN: All are invited to Mount Olivet Cemetery, **Sat., June 8th**, at **10AM** for the inauguration of the Commemorative Prayer Garden. This past fall, HCSC Music Ministry, along with Msgr. Pope, participated in the dedication of this beautiful memorial for those unknown who were enslaved and buried throughout our Archdiocese. So, we now invite you to celebrate the beautiful garden that has been built around the memorials. Light snacks provided. Rain or shine. RSVP to 202-399-3000.

PENTECOST is **Sun., June 9th**: On this day we pray, *“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.”* Please invite family and friends to come share this holy day and **wear RED** in celebration of this Feast Day of the Holy Spirit.

SUMMER BIBLE SERIES: Due to logistical problems and the early opening of schools, our traditional August Vacation Bible School will be held earlier and in the rectory basement on the following **Wednesdays: June 19 & 26; July 10 & 17**. Theme: *Angels and Demons—What the Bible and the Church Teach*. A light meal will be served at 6:30PM followed by study from 7:15-8:30PM. See flyer in your bulletin for details.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Join us on **June 23rd**, Corpus Christi Sunday, as we unite in a Eucharistic procession lead by Msgr. Charles Pope, in conjunction with Catholic Men United. During this procession from our HCSC plaza to St. Joseph Church (313—2nd St., NE), we will ask our Lord to take authority over Washington D.C., focusing on reparation for the sin and scandals that have come to light within the Church, and for healing and deliverance for all those who live or work in our nation’s capital. See flyer to RSVP.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE FUND RAISER: You can still pickup a baby bottle in rear of the church and return your donation by June 16th.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY EVENTS



FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST: Join the HCSC Holy Name Society, **Sun., June 16th**, from **9—11AM** for their Father’s Day Breakfast at the City Center Public Charter School (15th & East Capitol Sts., SE). **Tickets: \$10 each** available in the rectory office or any Holy Name Society member.

MEN’S RETREAT: July 26—28 at the Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD. **Facilitator:** Deacon Steven Nash (St. Joseph of Landover). For information and cost, visit hcschurch.org or call Cyprian Jenifer at 301-580-4273.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry

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HONORING ALL HCSC GRADUATES: If you are a registered member of HCSC and graduating in 2019 from middle or high school, college or graduate school you will be honored **Sun., June 23rd** at the **11AM Mass**. Registration

forms are available in the rear of the church, or the rectory office, or at www.hcschurch.org. Return completed form to rectory office by Sun., June 16th.

YOUTH END OF THE YEAR TRIP—to Chesapeake Water Park is **June 30th**. See the flyer in your bulletin for more details and registration.

YOUTH SUNDAY RESCHEDULED: Because the second Sunday of June is Pentecost, we have rescheduled Youth Sunday to **June 16th**. All youth are invited to sit together in front of the clergy. Invite a friend to come to Mass with you.

CANNED GOODS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: Every second weekend we invite parishioners to bring nutritious high protein canned food for our pantry to help feed the needy. Consider bringing a few cans of tuna, salmon or chicken to Mass next weekend or drop off at rectory.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

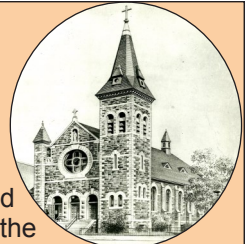
YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets **Mondays at 8PM** in the rectory. Join other young adults with Msgr. Pope in the discussion of scripture. We are studying the **Gospel of John**. Come and meet other young adults!



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. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks (pam@hcschurch.org, or 202-546-1885). For more information visit hcschurch.org.



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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.

- Pastor’s Media Links: MSGRPOPE.com
- HCSC App: myParishapp.com
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