

# *3rd Sunday of Easter*

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Readings This Weekend:**

Acts 3:13-19      1 John 2:1-5      Luke 24:35-48

**Readings Next Weekend:**

Acts 4:8-12      1 John 3:1-2      John 10:11-18



Today's Gospel draws us deeper into resurrection themes. It opens with some of the apostles gathered having heard news of the resurrection. The women have seen Jesus, the disciples returning from Emmaus have seen him, and Peter has just seen him. Forgetful of His promise to rise in three days, they who have not seen remain confused, troubled, and trying to process everything. But in the midst of all this, Jesus appears and, in effect, celebrates a Mass with them. It is this Liturgy that reorders their life and sets them on the right path. First, there is a **Gathering Rite**. The apostles are gathered, though shaken, they are at least gathered. And *where two or more are gathered, there is Jesus in the midst of them*. He then celebrates a kind of **Penitential Rite** asking, "Why are you troubled...why do questions arise in your heart?...Look and see that I, the Lord, am with you." He also celebrates a kind of **Liturgy of the Word**, reminding them of everything written of him in the Law and prophesized by the prophets. He opens their minds to an understanding of the Scriptures. He also eats with them in a kind of **Eucharistic meal**. While the baked fish may not remind us moderns of the Eucharist, the symbol of the fish did in fact remind the early Christians of the Eucharistic food because the fish was used as an acronym and meant: *Jesus Christ, Son of God and Savior*. Finally, having reordered their lives and reassured them, he sends them forth in a kind of **Dismissal Rite** saying, "You are witnesses of these things, repentance for the forgiveness of sins is to be preached to all the nations...." How about you? How does the Lord use the Mass to reorder your life?

**COMMUNICATIONS AT HCSC:** Visit our parish website ([hscchurch.org](http://hscchurch.org)) for updates from the Pastor and on the parish during this pandemic.

**Subscribe to Flocknote** by texting **HCSC** to **84576** or visit <https://hscchurch.flocknote.com/> to receive emails with updates from the parish such as bulletins, recorded Mass links and homily notes. It's **FREE** and easy!



Download **MyParishApp** onto your mobile device to stay in touch with what's happening at our parish. Visit your app store (*available for android & Apple phones*). Turn on your notifications after you download so you can receive updates and information.

HCSC is also on social media (**Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube**). Make sure you stay in touch!

**Mass Attendance April 11, 2021**

4:30pm	35
8:00am	53
9:30am	17
11:00am	154
7:00pm	74
<b>Total:</b>	<b>333</b>



**THE LORD IS RISEN!** As disciples of Christ, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call and they require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian with **electronic tithing** through **FAITH DIRECT**. It's **FREE** and **convenient!** Your weekly tithes and other donations are deducted electronically using a credit card or checking account. You can sign up at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church **code DC59**, or pick up an enrollment form in the rear of the church or the parish office. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks at [pam@hscchurch.org](mailto:pam@hscchurch.org) or on 202-546-1885.

**† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 18** *Third Sunday of Easter*  
 8:00am FOR THE INTENTIONS OF JOHN MITCHELL  
 9:30am FOR THE PEOPLE  
 11:00am FOR THE INTENTIONS OF JOSEPH DOOLEY  
 7:00pm MARY McNAIR JONES †

**MONDAY, APRIL 19**  
 7:00am FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LORITA MILLER

**TUESDAY, APRIL 20**  
 7:00am GEORGE P. DYSON †

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21** *Saint Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*  
 7:00am ZEMORIA BRADFORD †

**THURSDAY, APRIL 22**  
 7:00am ALICE N. THORNTON †

**FRIDAY, APRIL 23** *St. George, Martyr & St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr*  
 7:00am MARIA CONSUELO MARTINEZ †

**SATURDAY, APRIL 24** *St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr*  
 8:00am JOYCE BOUTHILLIER †  
 4:30pm LARRY ELGIN †

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

**Monday (4/19)** 7:00pm YAM Bible Study  
**Friday (4/23)** 6:00pm Confessions/Holy Hour

**Wednesday (4/21)** 7:15pm Bible Study (Zoom)

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

<b>MONDAY:</b>	ACTS 6:8-15	JOHN 6:22-29
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	ACTS 7:51—8:1	JOHN 6:30-35
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	ACTS 8:1-8	JOHN 6:35-40
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	ACTS 8:26-40	JOHN 6:44-51
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	ACTS 9:1-20	JOHN 6:52-59
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	ACTS 9:31-42	JOHN 6:60-69

**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.*

**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.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### PARISH LIFE



**CONGRATULATIONS** to **BRIX AVERY LAWRENCE** who was Baptized into the family of the Sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ, on **April 11<sup>th</sup>**. Pray that with the help of his parents God will bless him in his journey of faith.

**THE 2021 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS** will celebrate their First Holy Communion on **Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at a **1:30PM** mass. Pray that these youth, with the help of their parents, will make this First Communion a life-long practice of receiving Holy Communion.



#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY EVENT

**MEN'S RETREAT: July 30—August 1** at the Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD. **Facilitator:** Deacon Steven Nash (St. Joseph of Landover).

For more information on safety protocols and cost, see flyer or contact Cyprian Jenifer (301-580-4273), or go to our website (hscchurch.org).

**COMMUNITY RE-DEVELOPMENT MEETING:** HCSC is a member of the **WASHINGTON INTERFAITH NETWORK (WIN)** which is a District-wide citizens' power organization, rooted in local congregations and associations, and committed to training and developing neighborhood leaders in addressing community issues. Join WIN on **Sat., April 24<sup>th</sup>, 10—11:00AM** to learn about **Reservation 13** which is the re-development of the area around the RFK Stadium and the old D.C. General Hospital site. WIN would like to assure that the development of housing and retail will be affordable to many of our citizens and beneficial to all in the District. See flyer for details.

**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. Confessions are also heard.

### COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Local health guidelines allows HCSC to celebrate a public mass in the sanctuary for up to 170 people in attendance.

Our public mass schedule is: **Saturday—8AM and 4:30PM (vigil); Sunday—8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM & 7PM, and daily mass (Monday—Friday) at 7AM in the sanctuary.**

Following are some of the protocols that we follow at each Mass for your safety:

- ◆ To enter the sanctuary, use only the middle front doors and the handicap ramp.
- ◆ To allow for social distancing some pews have been roped off.
- ◆ Attendees must social distance themselves and wear a facial mask or covering. Hand sanitizer is available.
- ◆ Protocols are in place for safe reception of Holy Communion.

We are prudent and cautious because we care for you and your family's safety and well-being. Visit our website for more details on pandemic protocols. Our church sanctuary is open daily for private prayer from 8AM—8PM.

### Youth Ministry News

**Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry**

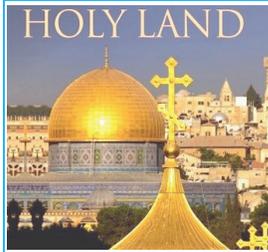
202-546-1885 ext. 29 (voicemail) ♦ youthdirector@hscchurch.org

**YOUTH MINISTRY PARENT MEET-UP:** Our youth ministry has formed a support group for parents which is especially vital during these pandemic restrictions. These meet-ups are an opportunity for parents and families to meet (via Zoom) and discuss parental issues/concerns, fellowship and pray. Stay tuned for future 'Meet-Ups' by subscribing to *Youth Ministry* on [hscchurch.flocknote.com](https://hscchurch.flocknote.com).



**GRADUATE RECOGNITION:** As we do every year, we would like to honor our HCSC students who are graduating from middle school, high school and college. In the midst of the current pandemic restrictions we are uncertain as to how this will happen but nonetheless we want to know who is **graduating in 2021**. Stay tuned in the coming weeks for information on how to inform the youth ministry of an upcoming graduation.

### HCSC Pilgrimage to the HOLY LAND!



Join Msgr. Pope and HCSC pilgrims as we return to the Holy Land for a **10-day pilgrimage, November 8—17, 2022**. The date was postponed from 2020 due to the pandemic, but prayerfully we will be able to travel in 2022. **SAVE THE DATE** and stay tuned for more details.

### HCSC Young Adult Ministry

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** meets **Mondays at 7PM** via Zoom **AND** in the rectory (social distanced w/masks). Join other young adults with Msgr. Pope in the discussion of scripture. To receive the ZOOM link: subscribe to the YAM Bible Study on Flocknote at [hscchurch.flocknote.com](https://hscchurch.flocknote.com). We are currently studying **HEBREWS**.



**Bible Study** everyone is welcome Join Monsignor Pope for the **Wednesday Evening Bible Study via Zoom at 7:15pm**. To receive the link, subscribe to Wednesday Night Bible Study on Flocknote at [hscchurch.flocknote.com](https://hscchurch.flocknote.com). We are currently studying **HEBREWS**.

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Rev. Msgr. Charles Pope, Pastor ([www.msgrpope.com](http://www.msgrpope.com))

For information on membership, sacraments and funerals contact the rectory staff at [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org) or 202-546-1885.

**Mass Hours:** Saturday—8AM & 4:30PM (vigil); Sunday—8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM and 7PM; Weekdays: Mon—Fri 7AM (8AM on holidays)

**Rectory Office Hours (during pandemic):**

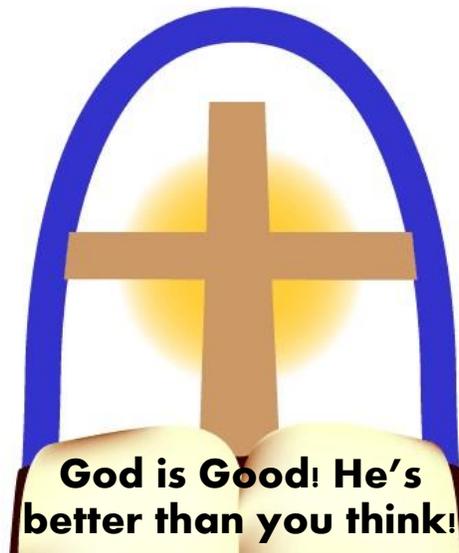
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10AM—4PM; Thursday, Saturday & Sunday—Closed

Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Catholic Church

# Annual Men's Retreat

July 30, 2021—August 1, 2021

**This retreat is open to all men in the parish!**



## **The Claggett Center**

3035 Buckeytown Pike  
Adamstown, Maryland 21710  
301-874-5147 ❖ [www.ClaggettCenter.org](http://www.ClaggettCenter.org)

**Arrival:** Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm

**Departure:** Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm

Retreat Facilitator: **Deacon Steven Nash** (St. Joseph Catholic Church, Largo, MD)  
Celebrant: 4:30pm Mass on July 31<sup>st</sup>—**Msgr. Charles Pope** (Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian)

**Cost:** \$290 (single occupancy) / \$260 (double occupancy)  
*A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is required by May 29<sup>th</sup> to secure your reservation*

### **Final payment due by July 10th**

The cost covers room, meals and other retreat materials.  
Notify us if you have special needs, such as accommodations or transportation (carpool).

**For information contact:** Mr. Cyprian E. Jenifer at 301-580-4273



# Welcome Back

We are glad you are with us to experience what Claggett has to offer with so much surrounding beauty, amenities, and the opportunity to create memories that last a lifetime. We want to assure every guest that we are committed to the wellbeing of all at Claggett. We are taking every precaution to ensure our conference center is safe. We are following federal health and safety guidelines as well as guidance from our state and local governments.

## Cleaning & Disinfecting

Our housekeeping staff is trained on new sanitation protocols. Deep cleaning is enhanced with new cleaning techniques, using products and protocols that meet EPA guidelines and are approved for the use against viruses, bacteria, and other airborne pathogens

Particular attention will be paid to high-touch areas in common areas, including but not limited to: *elevator buttons, door handles, trash receptacles, light switches, railings, tables, chairs, key cards, restroom faucets, sinks, soap dispensers, toilet flushers, and counter tops.*

Additional hand sanitizer stations are provided throughout the campus.

Please note, housekeeping staff will not automatically enter lodging spaces while guests are on the property. Please contact the on-call host if your area requires attention.

## Dining Hall Updates

All meals will be served in to-go containers with disposable utensils, and personal condiments (including mustard, ketchup, salt/pepper, dressings, BBQ, hot sauce, creamers, sugar). Entrance and exit into the dining hall will be one-way.

Each group will be given a private 45-minute meal time with a maximum of (4) guests to a table.

*Vegan, vegetarian, gluten free, and dietary allergy requests will be honored.*

### EXPECTATIONS FOR GUESTS

- ✓ Complete provided prescreening ahead of time
- ✓ Wear required face covering
- ✓ Maintain required social distancing of at least 6 ft
- ✓ Adhere to reduced occupancy guidelines
- ✓ Stay home or go home if you are sick

### RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICES

- ✓ Schedule outside meetings when appropriate
- ✓ Refrain from sharing homemade, bulk snacks
- ✓ Provide individually packaged snacks
- ✓ Refrain from using shared materials
- ✓ Bring additional hand sanitizer for use during group activities

**IF SOMEONE BECOMES SICK WHILE ON-SITE**, please contact your physician and notify your group leader. Group leaders should then notify the on-site Claggett host.

### SPACE USE

There may be multiple groups on-site. Spaces have been arranged to keep groups separated during meetings, programming, and dining times.



# **Bridging the River at Reservation 13**



**Saturday, April 24th  
10-11am**

*On Zoom and In-person, socially distant*

*Meet by St. Coletta, 1901 Independence Ave SE*

**Join us as we learn about the developers who  
have submitted proposals and affirm our  
commitment to 1/3 1/3 1/3 affordability!**

**In person spots will be limited due to  
DC Covid restrictions - register now!**

**Register Online at this link:**

**[bit.ly/bridgingtheriver](https://bit.ly/bridgingtheriver)**

*Meeting Hosted by Washington Interfaith Network*

## WHAT IS RESERVATION 13?

The D.C. Government will be developing the 67 acres of land once referred to as Reservation 13 in Ward 7. The campaign for redevelopment is called the “Hill East Development”.

The D.C. Government has received a number of proposals for a mixed-use development with a particular focus on affordable housing. This is a re-development strategy launched by the Mayor’s Office back in July 2020.

For two centuries, a portion of Hill East was the site of D.C. General Hospital which, at the time, was the only public hospital in the city. It closed down as a hospital in 2001 and became an emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness until late 2018. That shelter was closed and demolished and the city has nearly completed its plan to build smaller, newer shelters across the city to replace it.

**In terms of affordable housing**, the city is asking for an even divide between “deeply affordable” apartments, which are available for people who making no more than 60% of the median family income, **and** “middle income” units available for those making between 60% and 120% of the median family income.

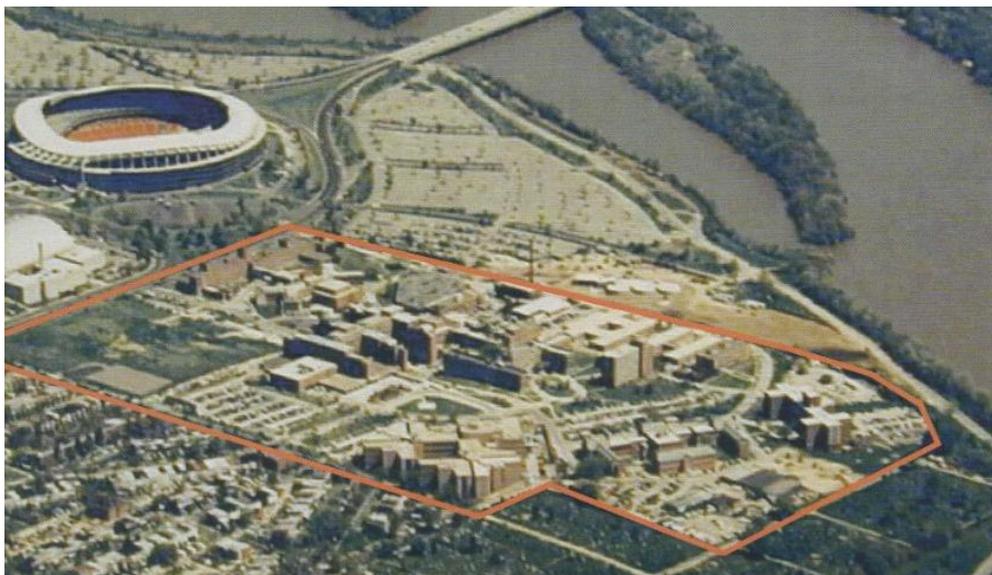
**BUT** to assure equity for all D.C. citizens, the Washington Interfaith Network (WIN) is asking for robust affordable housing at Reservation 13 with:

- 1/3 priced below 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI),
- 1/3 below 60% AMI, and
- 1/3 market rate

**By attending this online or in-person meeting by WIN on Saturday, April 24**, you can learn more about what WIN is doing in its efforts toward affordable housing that will benefit all the citizens of this city. And, you can learn how you can help with this campaign.

Visit this link for a video on Reservation 13 and WIN: [youtu.be/b2bKpNj\\_9oQ](https://youtu.be/b2bKpNj_9oQ)

Below is an aerial photo of the site.



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**OUR DECEASED SODALISTS**  
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 The Deceased Jenifers:  
 Oscar, Mary, Helena, Bay, David,  
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 We Love You Always  
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*To Our Beloved*  
**Kenyon E. Jones**  
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 We'll always love you,  
 Mom, Kids  
 & Venita



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