

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

Jn 6:32-33



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Eph 4:17, 20-24 John 6:24-35

Readings Next Weekend:

1 Kings 19:4-8 Eph 4:30-5:2 John 6:41-51

Message from the Pastor

The Gospel for today's Mass speaks to desire. The Lord Jesus is interacting with some very hungry people, but he tries to get them to reconsider what they are truly hungry for. Consider this gospel in three stages. First there is the **Hunger of Desire**. The gospel indicates they journeyed quite a distance to find Jesus in hopes that he would feed them once again as he had when he multiplied the loaves and fishes. Though their desires need to be purified, at least the desires draw them to Jesus. Next note the **Healing of Desire** - Jesus enters into a discussion with them about the nature of their desire. They are looking for food for their stomachs. Jesus asks them (and us) to be as urgent and motivated to get food for their souls! Through the Eucharist and his word, Jesus wants to provide food unto eternal life, not merely run a soup kitchen. If food for the body is important, food for the soul is even more important. Finally then note the **Heart of Desire**. Having drawn them to consider a higher and better bread, they say to Jesus, "Sir, give us this bread always!" And Jesus says, "I AM the bread..." In other words he is the heart of what they and we really desire. Too often we think more possession, more popularity, more pleasures will satisfy us. Only for a moment. The heart of our Desire is God, and God alone.

FUNERAL: Thomas E. Smith— Friday, August 6th

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, August 1 *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Deacon Charles Edelin†
 9:30am Intentions of Sr. Marie Theresa Tellier
 11:00am Janice Washington†
 7:00pm Intentions of Phillip Louis

Monday, August 2 *St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest*

7:00am Intentions of Marcia Holton

Tuesday, August 3

7:00am Veronica Rodgers (*birthday*)

Wednesday, August 4 *Saint John Vianney, Priest*

7:00am Carolyn Lancaster (*birthday*)

Thursday, August 5 *The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major*

7:00am For the People

Friday, August 6 *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

7:00am Thomas E. Smith†

Saturday, August 7 *St. Sixtus II, Pope, & Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest*

8:00am Ollie Johnson (*birthday*)
 4:30pm Staff Sgt. Alex Conrad†

MASS INTENTIONS: It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. To offer a **Mass Intention** in memory of someone, call 202-546-1885 or email amuse@hccscchurch.org. Stipend: \$5 per intention.

DAILY READINGS

MONDAY Numbers 11:4b-15 Matthew 14:13-21
TUESDAY Numbers 12:1-13 Matthew 14:22-36
WEDNESDAY Nm 13:1-2,25—14:1,26-29a,34-35 Mt 15:21-28
THURSDAY Numbers 20:1-13 Matthew 16:13-23
FRIDAY Dn 7:9-10,13-14 2 Peter 1:16-19 Mark 9:2-10
SATURDAY Deuteronomy 6:4-13 Matthew 17:14-20

Stay Connected



Visit our parish website (hccscchurch.org) for updates from the pastor and events in the parish. Here are other ways to stay in touch:

Subscribe to Flocknote by texting "HSCC" to 84576 or visit <https://hccscchurch.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 the **MyParishApp** onto your mobile device to stay in touch with what's happening at our parish. To get the app: visit your app store (*available for Android & Apple phones*). Turn on your notifications after you download so you can receive updates and information.

And, follow us on social media (**Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube**). Make sure you stay connected!

Mass Attendance—July 25, 2021

4:30pm	55
8:00am	41
9:30am	25
11:00am	139
7:00pm	85
Total:	345



Do you have summer vacation plans? You can still tithe while you're away!

When summer getaways take you out of town, eGiving lets you continue to support Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian and the ministries you cherish. You can go online and set up your weekly tithes or make a one-time gift. Tithing electronically is **FREE, EASY, and CONVENIENT**, as your money will be automatically deducted each month for you. Sign up at faithdirect.net using our church **code DC59**, or pick up an enrollment form in the rear of the church. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks at pam@hccscchurch.org or (202) 546-1885.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (8/2) 7:00pm YAM Bible Study
Friday (8/6) 6:00pm Confessions / Holy Hour
Wednesday (8/4) 7:15pm Adult Bible Study



NEW RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: As of July 6th, the rectory is open from 10am-6pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. We remain closed on Thursday and the weekend.

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.

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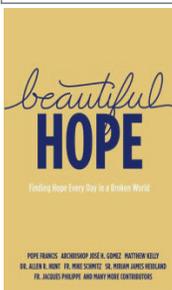
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PARISH LIFE



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MT. OLIVET MEMORIAL MASSES RESUME: Monthly memorial masses have resumed at Mount Olivet cemetery. The Masses will take place every second Saturday of the month in the cemetery chapel at 9:30am. Find comfort, deepen your faith in God, and remember the lives of the beloved who have died and gone before us. The cemetery is located at: 1300 Bladensburg Road, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002, and is also open for visitation from 7:30am-7pm. Visit ccaw.org/mt-olivet-cemetery to learn more.

THE WORD AMONG US: July—August issues are available in the Candlelight Store for \$2 each. This publication is designed to help Catholics find 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!*

COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS

LIFTING OF THE DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS: Cardinal Gregory and the Diocesan Bishops of the Province of Baltimore have jointly announced that the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation has been lifted as of June 26, 2021. We gladly welcome you back to Mass!

In accordance with the Archdiocese of Washington and local health and government officials, our parish is fully open for mass attendance, with the following protocol:

- ◆ If you have been fully vaccinated, you **DO NOT** need to wear a mask while in the church. If you are **NOT** fully vaccinated, we **highly recommend** you wear a mask or face covering for your safety.
- ◆ To allow for some social distancing, every other pew will remain roped-off until further notice.
- ◆ Automatic hand sanitizing units will remain available in the rear.
- ◆ Protocols will remain in place for safe reception of Holy Communion.



SUNDAY TV MASS: If you are unable to attend Mass in person due to health issues or advancing age, please note that the Archdiocese of Washington provides a recorded Mass every Sunday at 10:30am on WDCW-50 or view the taped Mass at any time at adw.org/tvmas.



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 during the holy hour.



MARRIAGE WORKSHOP: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on September 3-5, 2021, please visit: HelpOurMarriage.org, call (443) 400-7017, or email: 3015@HelpOurMarriage.org.

VACATION NOTE: While you are on vacation this summer don't forget to attend Mass wherever you may be visiting. Go to www.discovermass.com for Mass times and locations around the country. You can also access this information on [myParishapp](#) under *DiscoverMass!*

HCSC YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

OUR YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets **Mondays at 7pm via Zoom OR in-person in the rectory basement.** 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. We ask you to RSVP if you are attending in-person. We are studying **HEBREWS**.



Bible Study everyone is welcome Join Msgr. Pope for **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. We are currently studying **HEBREWS**.

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

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

Rectory Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 10am—6pm
Thursday, Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Help **SOME** Fight the Heat this Summer by Donating to our Water Bottle Drive!

We are looking for:

- **New reusable water bottles of all kinds**
- **Cases of disposable water bottles**



Visit Our Amazon Wishlist Here: <https://a.co/cob1Kgj>

Join with the HCSC Social Concerns Ministry to support S.O.M.E. See instructions on back of flyer on how to participate.



Instructions for Donation:

1. Visit SOME's Amazon Wishlist (on front of flyer) and have your order delivered directly to the SOME location at **71 O Street, NW Washington, DC 20001**.
2. Deliver your items to the address listed above (M-F 8am-4pm or weekends 7am-2pm).
3. Drop-off your items at the HCSC rectory during office hours (M,T,W,F 10am-6pm) or at the church after weekend Mass.



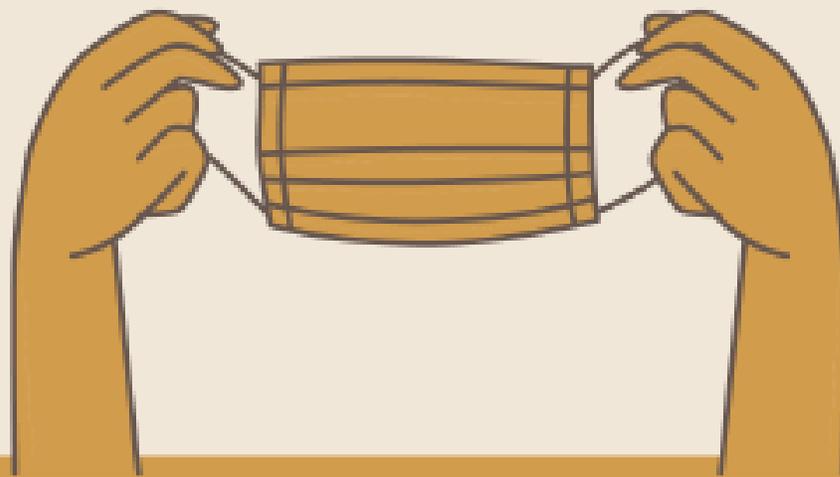
DEADLINE TO DONATE IS AUGUST 31st

Contact the rectory at (202) 546-1885 if you have questions

NEW COVID-19 UPDATE:

Face Mask is Mandatory

to Enter the Church & Rectory



On July 29th, District of Columbia Mayor Muriel Bowser announced that the District is re-instituting a universal, indoor masking mandate for everyone, even those fully vaccinated. This new requirement took effect on **July 31 at 5 a.m.** Persons attending Mass in the District, even if they are fully vaccinated, **must** wear a mask while in the church buildings. If you do not have a mask, please ask an usher.

We kindly and prayerfully ask you to comply with these new directives. Thank you.

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