

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 14:21-27 Revelation 21:1-5a John 13:31-35

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 John 14:23-29

Message from the Pastor

The Gospel today contains a mandate that we should love one another. But there is danger in thinking that Jesus is saying that we, with our own unaided flesh power are supposed to do this. Of course, this seems impossible and leads to frustration. That's why it is important to get this Gospel right. Notice three stages to this Gospel. First, there is a PRE-REQUISITE. Jesus indicates that the hour has come for him to be glorified. He is referring to his passion, death, and resurrection. In this saving act Jesus acquires for us the power to live a wholly new life. In order for him to command us to love one another he must first equip us to do so. He does this on the cross and in his rising to new life. Next, note the POWER. He gives us a new command and says, "Love one another as I have loved you." In other words, I have loved you and placed my love in you. Now you are able and must discover the power you have to love others. Jesus commands us only because he has first equipped us. Finally, notice the **PROOF.** Jesus concludes by saying that we will know, that is we will experience, that we are his disciples when we love each other. It is almost as if he is saying, "Try me in this and begin to experience that you DO have this power because you are my followers and someone who has my grace." Do you believe that the Lord has equipped, empowered and enabled you to love others?



FUNERALS:

William Jeffcoat (May 18th) Cora Campbell (May 20th)



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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Sunday, May 15 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Ian Lindquist +

9:30am Intentions of Zirmar Rowe

11:00am Donald and Leola Greenfield (41st Anniversary)

7:00pm Anthony Jackson **†**

Monday, May 16

7:00am Intentions of Cornell Tompkins (B'day)

Tuesday, May 17

7:00am Intentions of Fr. Michael Bryant (Ordination Day)

Wednesday, May 18 St. John I, Pope and Martyr

7:00am Patricia Hines †

Thursday, May 19

7:00am Intentions of Reba L. Neale (B'day)

Friday, May 20 St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

7:00am Ifeanyi Edochie +

Saturday, May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions,

Maryrs 8:00am Benjamen and Rose Akpati †

4:30pm For the People

To place a Mass intention call the rectory office at 202-546-1885.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: 1 Peter 5:5-14 Mark 16:15-20 TUESDAY: Acts 14:19-28 John 14:27-31 WEDNESDAY: Acts 15:1-6 John 15:1-8 THURSDAY: Acts 15:7-21 John 15:9-11 John 15:12-17 FRIDAY: Acts 15:22-31 John 15:18-21 SATURDAY: Acts 16:1-10



FAITH DIRECT (Electronic Tithing): We FAITH DIRECT offer electronic tithing through Faith Direct. Here are 3 ways to get info and register:

- Scan the QR code below and follow instructions.
- Pick up a brochure in the rear of the church.
- Or, go online to faith.direct/DC59 and register.

This tithing service is **FREE**. Your tithes are automatically deducted twice a month from your bank account or credit card. And, you can change your deduction with an email or call. Questions? Contact Kim Peaks (pam@hcscchurch.org or 202-546-1885). Thank you for your support.



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- Visit our parish website (hcscchurch.org) for news.
- Subscribe to Flocknote by texting "HCSC" to 84576 or visit https://hcscchurch.flocknote.com/ to receive emails with updates from the parish such as bulletins, and homily notes. It's FREE and easy!
- Download the MyParishApp onto your mobile device. To get the app: visit your app store (available for Android & Apple phones). Turn on notifications so you can receive parish news. And, follow us on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube).

MASS ATTENDANCE Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 8, 2022

30 4:30pm 41 8:00am 9:30am 33 11:00am 189 7:00pm 62 Total: 355

This Week at the Parish

Sunday (5/15) 9:30am RCIA

Friday (5/20) 6:00pm Holy Hour

Monday (5/16)

Saturday (5/21)

7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study 10:00am Confirmation Class

Wednesday (5/18)

7:15pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

2022 Annual Archdiocesan Appeal Update - As of April 30th, our parish is at 62% of our parish goal which is \$56,300. We are very grateful for those who have pledged and are fulfilling their obligation. We hope that those who have not made a pledge will consider donating. If you haven't made your gift, 2022 we encourage you to do SO visiting appeal.adw.org or take a brochure in the back of the church. Every donation makes a difference in uplifting our local Church to serve our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you for your support!

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Her shining personality will live on in our hearts: It is with heartfelt sorrow we acknowledge that on May 4th, *Cora Campbell*, went home to be with our Lord. Her funeral will be at HCSC on May 20th. Viewing and Recitation of the Rosary begins at 9:00am followed by funeral Mass at 11:00am.

UNDERSTANDING ORGANIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CATHOLIC LITURGY: How to Distinguish Between Improvements & Corruptions — A lecture by Dr. Peter Kwasniewski on Monday, May 23rd at 7:00pm at HCSC Church. Free and open to the public. There will be a Q&A and book sale at end of event. Parking available behind the school at 15th & East Capitol Sts (enter thru alley). Sponsored by the Paulus Institute. Flyers are available in the rear of the church.



THANK YOU to all who coordinated and participated in the annual May Procession last Sunday. We had a great turn out in honor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven! We especially thank this year's May Queen: Bernadette Belcher, her attendants: Gia Morgan and Lia Smart, and the statue bearers, Raphael Belcher, Emmanuel Nuel-Ejifor, Joe Rubens, III and Nikaih Young.

MAY HOME ALTAR: During the month of May, Catholics offer up to Mary from their hearts a loving homage of prayer and veneration. Another way we can celebrate and honor Mary is a home altar that includes a special place for Mary during May. You can honor Mary easily with things you may already have at home such as an image of the Blessed Mother (usually a statue). If you don't have a statue, a holy card or picture will do.

• Altar cloth: cover the table or shelf with blue fabric, tablecloth, blue fabric, or place mat.

 Candle: Any size or number of candles. We have votive candles in the usher store.

 Flowers: A bouquet, or a vase to add flowering branches or blooms from your yard.



To Jesus Through Mary

HCSC YOUTH MINISTRY

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry youthdirector@hcscchurch.org * 202.330.8302



GRADUATE RECOGNITION: As we do every year, our parish would like to honor our HCSC students who are graduating from middle school, high school and college. We want to know who is **graduating in 2022**.

Stay tuned in the coming weeks for more information.

THE WORD AMONG US: JUNE 2022 issues are available in the usher store and rectory office. **Cost: \$2 each.** This publication is designed to help Catholics find genuine renewal and refreshment by offering meditations based on the daily Mass readings. Ask an usher or stop by the rectory office. *Limited supply!*



Join Msgr. Pope (via Zoom) for Wednesday Evening Bible Study at 7:15pm. Sign up to receive the Zoom link and information at

hcscchurch.flocknote.com. Call the rectory office for more details if you are new to the bible study.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets in-person on Mondays at 7:30pm in the rectory basement, preceded by a short social at 7:00pm. To receive email notifications, sign up for Young Adult Bible Study on hcscchurch.flocknote.com.



COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS

UPDATE: As of March 1st, the Mayor has rescinded the indoor mask mandate. You DO NOT have to wear a mask while in the church building. For those who prefer a Mass where masks are required, we have designated the 8:00am Mass on Sundays as Mask-Only (masks are required for this Mass). Please note, the following protocols will remain in place:

- To allow for some social distancing, every other pew will remain roped-off until further notice.
- Automatic hand sanitizing units are available at doors.
- Wearing of masks and sanitizing of hands by minister's will remain in place for safe reception of Holy Communion.

We kindly ask everyone to be respectful of each other as we continue to navigate these changing policies.

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Mass Times: Saturday

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

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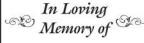
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