



*6th Sunday
of Easter*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings This Weekend:

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

Readings Next Weekend:

Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Mark 16:15-20

Message from the Pastor

"PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU;
MY PEACE I GIVE TO YOU."



Jesus says in the Gospel, "Whoever loves me will keep my word." What he is doing is establishing a principle that love precedes and causes the keeping of the commandments. We often mistakenly assume that we earn

God's love by keeping the commandments. No indeed, the only way we can really keep the law whole heartedly is to allow God's love to grow deeply in us. Then we keep the law, not because we have to, but because we want to. Many years ago when dating I would notice that whatever my girlfriend requested I would do eagerly. Love is like that. It wants to please the beloved. And so Jesus says, "Whoever loves me will keep my commandments."

MSGR. POPE'S SUNDAY HOMILY: Did you know you can receive and listen to Msgr. Pope's pre-recorded Sunday homilies online? Just subscribe to *Parish News* on **Flocknote** to receive the homilies weekly in your email. See the blue **Stay Connected** box in the right column on how to subscribe. You can also visit his website msgrpope.com for prior homilies and other teachings.

† **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK** †

Sunday, May 22 *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

8:00am Intentions of Mary Elizabeth Anna Nietzsche

9:30am Kenyon C. Jones †

11:00am James C. Walker †

7:00pm Anthony Jackson †

Monday, May 23

7:00am Kenyon C. Jones †

Tuesday, May 24

7:00am Kenyon C. Jones †

Wednesday, May 25 *St. Bede the Venerable Priest and Dr. of the Church, St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin*

7:00am Kenyon C. Jones (B'day) †

Thursday, May 26 *St. Philip Neri, Priest, The Ascension of the Lord*

7:00am For the People

Friday, May 27 *St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop*

7:00am Ifeanyi Edochie †

Saturday, May 28

8:00am Benjamen and Rose Akpati †

4:30pm Alice F. LaCivita †

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to offer a Mass in memory of a friend or family, call 202-546-1885. The customary stipend is \$10 per intention. Mass intentions are a work of mercy.



DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Acts 16:11-15 John 15:26—16:4

TUESDAY: Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11

WEDNESDAY: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 John 16:12-15

THURSDAY: Acts 18:1-8 John 16:16-20

FRIDAY: Romans 12:9-16 Luke 1:39-56

SATURDAY: Acts 18:23-28 John 16:23-28



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

1. Scan the QR code below and follow instructions.
2. Pick up a brochure in the rear of the church.
3. 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@hscchurch.org or 202-546-1885). Thank you for your support.



Stay Connected



- Visit our parish website (hscchurch.org) for news.
- **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, 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

Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 15, 2022

4:30pm	55
8:00am	46
9:30am	32
11:00am	150
7:00pm	59
Total:	342

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (5/22)

9:30am Sunday School

Tuesday (5/24)

6:30pm Knights of Columbus

Monday (5/23)

7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday (5/25)

7:15pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

Friday (5/27)

6:00pm Holy Hour



OUR CHURCH SANCTUARY IS OPEN FROM 8AM—8PM every day for you to come in for private prayer. Consider spending quiet, personal time in the presence of our Lord and pray for healing, strength, courage and for each other as we face many challenges and struggles throughout our daily lives. All are welcome.

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH LIFE



Our altar flowers for this weekend were donated by **Ms. Lanita Thornton** in memory of her son, **Kenyon C. Jones**. If you would like to commemorate someone or a milestone in your life consider sponsoring flowers for the altar.

Contact the rectory at 202-546-1885 or cherrera@hscchurch.org.



CONGRATULATIONS TO SR. MARIA THEOTOKOS, SSVM who graduated last week with a Doctorate in early church history from Catholic University. She served for numerous years with our youth as a catechists at the parish and we are truly grateful for her and the continued service of the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of

Matara community. In September, Sister will move to Italy to teach and continue her research at the new Fides et Ratio Institute in Fossanova run by her Religious Family. Congratulations, Sister Doctor! To God be the Glory!

UNDERSTANDING ORGANIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CATHOLIC LITURGY:

How to Distinguish Between Improvements & Corruptions. Part of a lecture series on tour by **Dr. Peter Kwasniewski**. It will be held at HCSC on **Monday, May 23, 2022 7:00pm**. Free and Open to the Public, followed by Q&A and book sale, posters will also be available. Parking behind the school at 15th and E Capitol St. (Sponsored by the Paulus Institute.) Flyers are available in the rear.

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY



MARY GARDEN: During the month of May, Catholics offer up to Mary from their hearts a loving homage of prayer and veneration. Having a Mary Garden can provide a quiet place for reflection. It can also be a witness to a neighbor to spark a faith-filled conversation. Usually there is a statue or image of Mary at the center if possible. You can

include stepping stones or rocks and of course flowers! There are even flowers that signify Mary that you may want to include such as roses. Remember there is always our Mary Garden here at the parish where you can spend some time in prayer too!

CONSECRATION TO MARY: Last week our youth completed a consecration to Mary at the 11am Mass. The Church has always advocated consecrating yourself to Jesus Christ through the Blessed Virgin Mary, the perfect model of discipleship. A Consecration to Mary heightens the depth and truth of our commitment to Christ. If you want to learn more, a booklet titled *Behold Your Mother: The Path to Total Consecration to Our Lady in the Spirit of St. Maximilian Kolbe* can be found for free online and may be used individually or as a group activity. You can begin by selecting a date 33 days from a Marian Feast. The next date to begin a consecration is May 25th. You would end on June 27th which is the feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.



To Jesus Through Mary

HCSC YOUTH MINISTRY

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
youthdirector@hscchurch.org ❖ 202.330.8302



SAVE THE DATE: GRADUATE RECOGNITION:

As we do every year, our parish would like to honor our HCSC students and parishioners who are graduating from middle school, high school and college. **Graduate Recognition will occur at the 11am Mass on Sunday, June 26th.** See flyer or our website to submit your graduate information.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION / HOLY HOUR is held **EVERY FRIDAY** from **6—7pm** in the sanctuary. All 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.



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



COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS

As of March 1st, the Mayor has **rescinded** the indoor mask mandate. However for those who prefer a Mass with masks, 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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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

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!!

*If you are a registered parishioner graduating in 2022 from Middle School, High School, College or Graduate School **ONLY** (please, no elementary or kindergarten), the parish of Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian would like to Acknowledge and Congratulate you on Sunday, June 26th at the 11:00 am Mass.*

Please complete and return this form to the rectory office no later than Sunday, June 12th or send via email to cherrera@hcscchurch.org or complete form online at our website: hcscchurch.org



Graduate Name: _____ Age: _____ (if under 18)
(Please Print)

Name of Guardians: _____ (if under 18)

Graduating from: Middle school High school
(check one) College Graduate school

Name of school graduating from:

If college, Degree rec'd _____

If applicable, name of high school or college/university attending in the fall of 2022:

Best phone to contact graduate & family: _____

You and your family are invited to come to the 11:00 am Mass on **Sunday, June 26th** and sit in the reserved pews in the front of the Church. You are also highly encouraged to bring your cap & gown. **If you are unable to attend**, please let us know by calling the rectory office at 202-546-1885.

PARISH FEAST DAY
WEEKEND CELEBRATION

You're Invited

Family Events!

LET'S CELEBRATE

Come join the parish of
HOLY COMFORTER—SAINT CYPRIAN

for the weekend of the

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

June 3rd—5th

Holy Comforter—Saint Cyprian Parish
1357 East Capitol St. S.E.

For information, contact us at (202) 546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday June 3rd

“COOK—OUT ON THE LAWN”

A fun evening with a cook-out on the front lawn of Holy Comforter—Saint Cyprian rectory. Come join the priests, clergy and religious sisters for a fun evening!
7:00pm—8:30pm

(You are also welcome to join us for Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration prior to the cookout at 6:00 in the church.)

Saturday June 4th

“FAMILY DAY”

All are welcome – big and small!
From 2pm -7pm, there will be a variety of activities for kids and adults, followed by a procession and a festive dinner!

Sunday June 5th

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

In celebration of our Feast Day (*the Holy Comforter*), join us on the plaza after the 11am Mass for refreshments and a joy-filled afternoon of fellowship!

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John N. Graham
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In Memory of
 Our Deceased Members
HCSC
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 In Memory of
OUR DECEASED SODALISTS
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In Loving Memory of
 The Deceased Jenifers:
 Oscar, Mary, Helena, Bay, David,
 Baby Sis, Beverly, Frankie, David,
 Neal, Kimberly, Cyprian Jr., Jovan
*Still Loved, Still Missed &
 Very Dear, The Family*

In Loving Memory of
OTHA JOHN HAMER JR.
OTHA JOHN HAMER III
 "ETERNAL LOVE"
 ~Anna, Othalene, Lataunya,
 Betty - wife and mother

In Loving Memory Of
 Vandy L. Jamison Sr.
 Cyprian H. Colbert Sr.
 Cornella & William B Simmons Sr.
 Marc E. Simmons Sr.
 William (Billy) B. Simmons Jr.

In Loving Memory
Austina H. Jones
Mother
 We Love You Always
 Willie, Lawrence & Maria

To Our Beloved
Kenyon E. Jones
Son & Father
 We'll always love you,
 Mom, Kids & Venita



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
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