

# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“And I tell you, ask and you will receive;  
seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be  
opened to you.”

Luke 11:9





SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Gn 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13

Readings Next Weekend:

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21

Message from the Pastor

In the gospel today the Lord gives us some **Prescriptions for Prayer**. At First we notice the **PATTERN** for prayer that is implicit in the Lord's Prayer: Relate, rejoice, reflect, request and repent. The *Our Father* is thus not just words to say but a pattern to follow. God is our Father, we rejoice that his Name is holy, and reflect on what it means for his will to be done in our life as perfectly as it is done in heaven. We then request "our daily bread" which is a symbol for all our needs and repent by asking the Lord to forgive us as we forgive others. Jesus goes on to give us another prescription: that we **PERSIST** in prayer. He tells the parable of the persistent neighbor who finally gets what he wants merely due to his persistence. The Lord teaches we must do the same in our prayer. And this leads to the **POINT** which is that the Father wants to give good things to us. If even a grouchy neighbor will give what is needed due to persistence, then how much more will the loving Father give good things to those who ask with persistence. No answer? Keep knocking.



MEMORIAL MASS — Dennis A. Henderson (July 29<sup>th</sup>)

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, July 24

8:00am Crystal Johnson † (B'day)

9:30am Denise Rodgers †

11:00am Ann Bailey † (B'day)

7:00pm For the People

Monday, July 25 *St. James, Apostle*

7:00am Jose Manuel Flores † (victim in Texas)

Tuesday, July 26 *Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:00am Shirley Ann Jackson † (B'day)

Wednesday, July 27

7:00am intentions of Laura Stanton (B'day)

Thursday, July 28

7:00am intentions of Helene Crutchfield † (B'day)

Friday, July 29 *Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus*

7:00am intentions of Ifeanyi Edochie

Saturday, July 30 *Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00am intentions of Corrine Mercer (B'day)

4:30pm Benjamin and Rose Akpati

**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 \$10 per intention.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22 Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21 Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6 Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9 Jn 11:19-27

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24 Mt 14:1-12



**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 on the right →
2. Text "Enroll" to 301-478-8900 to tithe.
3. Go online to [faith.direct/DC59](https://faith.direct/DC59) and register.
4. Pick up brochure in rear of the church.

This tithing service is **FREE**. Your tithes are automatically deducted twice a month. **Questions?** Contact Kim Peaks ([pam@hscchurch.org](mailto:pam@hscchurch.org) or 202-546-1885).



Stay Connected



- Visit our parish website ([hscchurch.org](https://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  
July 17, 2022

4:30pm	30
8:00am	50
9:30am	37
11:00am	132
7:00pm	78
<b>Total:</b>	<b>327</b>

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (7/25)

7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday (7/27)

7:15pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

Friday (7/29)

6:00pm Holy Hour

COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS

The indoor mask mandate has been rescinded for DC. However for those who prefer a Mass with masks, the 8:00am Mass on Sundays is designated as **Mask-Only** (*masks are required for this Mass*). We also offer the following:

- ◆ Pews are roped off for social distancing purposes.
  - ◆ Automatic hand sanitizing units are available at doors.
  - ◆ Wearing of masks and sanitizing of hands by ministers 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.

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.*

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH LIFE



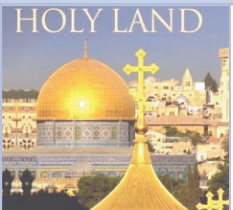
**THE OBLATE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE ALUMNI RAFFLE:** Please support the efforts of the Oblate Sisters of Providence by purchasing raffle books (6 tickets to a book) for \$5 until Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>. All prizes are monetary. **Contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or [pam@hscchurch.org](mailto:pam@hscchurch.org) or purchase from rectory during office hours.** Some raffle books will be available for sale after certain masses the weekends of July 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. This annual raffle supports the Sisters in their continued efforts to educate and serve God's people in the poorest locations. The Oblate Sisters used to serve in our own parish schools as far back as 1892. Thank you.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! HCSC ANNUAL FRIENDS & FAMILY PICNIC** is tentatively scheduled for **Sat., Sept., 17<sup>th</sup>.** **We need our parishioners help to make this annual family event happen!**

If you like to offer your time and talent, contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or [pam@hscchurch.org](mailto:pam@hscchurch.org). This annual picnic (held offsite at a local park) has been a tradition for a number of years until COVID when we had to cancel. We would love to bring it back to our families!



### HCSC Pilgrimage to the HOLY LAND!



**SPACE IS STILL AVAILABLE! LAST DAY FOR PAYMENT IS JULY 30<sup>th</sup>!** Join with Msgr. Pope and other HCSC pilgrims for a 10 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land on **Nov. 8—17, 2022**. Pick up a flyer in rear of church or visit: [hscchurch.org](http://hscchurch.org) for details.

**UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY AND STRESS IN A POST—PANDEMIC WORLD:** Learn how to feel stronger and healthier in a post-pandemic world. These workshops are presented by Dr. Kathleen Musslewhite, Executive Director, Alpha Omega Clinic. The workshops are monthly on **Thursday evenings (7-8:30pm): Sep 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Jan 12, Feb 9, & Mar 2.** Cost per person: \$60 per session or \$300 for entire series. Come to all or some. This program is a collaboration of Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center with the Alpha Omega Clinic, both located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Find more information and to register: visit [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org).

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? HAVE YOU RECEIVED ALL YOUR SACRAMENTS?** Enroll in Catholic education classes (RCIA) which begins in the fall. Although these classes are for those interested in becoming Catholic, they are also an opportunity for adult Catholics who missed receiving one or more of the sacraments. See flyer in bulletin for more details.

**VACATION TIME IS HERE:** Whether you stay home or travel, we pray that you and your family enjoy yourself. Please remember to make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass. Visit **DiscoverMass.com** or **masstimes.org** for mass times and locations around the country.



### HCSC YOUTH MINISTRY

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry  
[youthdirector@hscchurch.org](mailto:youthdirector@hscchurch.org) ♦ 202.330.8302

**YOUTH SUNDAYS:** We hold our Youth Sunday Mass the second Sunday of each month at the 11am Mass. We will take a break from service the month of August, so Youth Sunday will not be held next month.

**On Youth Sunday,** our youth serve as lectors, ushers, and music ministry. We will resume Youth Sunday in September. If you are a youth or know of a youth who is interested in the above ministries, please contact the Youth Director, Nicki Gebrehiwot at the contact information above for more information. Have a blessed and joyous summer!

**THE WORD AMONG US NEW ISSUES: JULY/AUG 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 weekly Zoom link and information at [hscchurch.flocknote.com](http://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](http://hscchurch.flocknote.com).



**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.



**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.

### HOLY COMFORTER-SAINT CYPRIAN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

For information on membership, sacraments and funerals contact rectory staff at [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto: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

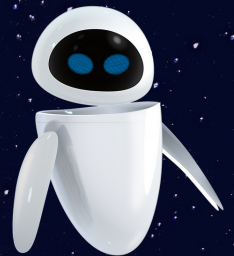


# High School Movie Night

## Wall-E

### July 29

### 7:15 - 9:30 pm



6:00 pm Holy Hour in Church

7:15 pm Movie in Rectory

9:00 pm Discussion

Pizza, popcorn, and drinks provided!

Discussion  
geared towards  
8th grade and  
older

To RSVP and for more  
information contact HCSC  
summer seminarian

Joseph Riordon

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**OBLATE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE**

# **ANNUAL ALUMNI RAFFLE/FUNDRAISER**



The Oblate Sisters of Providence were founded in 1829 by Servant of God Mother Mary Lange and have served in the school and parishes of Saint Cyprian **and** Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian since 1894 by educating and serving the surrounding community. This fundraiser supports their work in communities here in the U.S and other countries.

**RAFFLE BOOKS ARE \$5 EACH (SIX TICKETS A BOOK)**

**PRIZES: \$1000-1ST PRIZE; \$500-2ND PRIZE, \$200-3RD PRIZE**

RAFFLE DRAWING IS IN AUGUST 2022. WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT.

**LAST DATE TO PURCHASE TICKETS: AUG. 3RD**

**CONTACT KIM PEAKS AT 202-546-1885 EXT 11 OR  
KPEAKS@HCSCCHURCH.ORG TO PURCHASE RAFFLES.  
CHECKS AND CASH ARE ACCEPTED.**



BUT GOD PROVES HIS LOVE FOR US IN THAT WHILE WE WERE  
STILL SINNERS CHRIST DIED FOR US. -ROMANS 5:8

# Interested in becoming Catholic?

If you would like to talk about where you are, or if you are curious about our church and our faith, or even if you've been attending Mass here and not sure if you have received all the Sacraments, you are welcome to come and see; to ask questions; and to look more deeply. There is no commitment for seeking information. All are welcome!

FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND GIVE TO AN USHER OR  
EMAIL: [RCIAHCSC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RCIAHCSC@GMAIL.COM) OR  
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PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you Catholic? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If no, have you been baptized? ☐ Yes ☐ No )

Are you a Catholic in need of sacraments? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, check which sacraments: ☐ Holy Communion ☐ Confirmation



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*To Our Beloved*  
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Mom, Kids  
& Denita*



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Maxwell Smart**  
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Ray,  
Bertie**

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Will,  
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