

Celebrating Black Flistory

(Month 2023



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

WILTON CARDINAL GREGORY, CELEBRANT REV. MSGR. CHARLES POPE, PASTOR



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings This Weekend:

Isaiah 58:7-10 Mathew 5:13-16 1 Cor 2:1-5 Readings Next Weekend:

1 Cor 2:6-10 Sirach 15:15-20 Matthew 5:17-37



You are the salt of the Earth. But what if salt goes flat? It is good for nothing. Now these are strong words from Jesus. What he is saying is that if you're a Christian who does not live as a Christian you are good for nothing. As Christians we have made a commitment to be specialists. Imagine a doctor who is a carefully trained and skillful heart

specialist. Now imagine he sets that aside to go and be a car mechanic. We might rightfully say to him, "We have plenty of car mechanics, but only a few highly skilled heart specialists. Come and do what you have been called to do!" And so Christ says to us, "I have plenty businessmen, technocrats, millionaires, etc. What I really need you to be is a Christian; a REAL Christian. The world needs salt and you are salt. And if you're not going to be salt you're nothing. Nothing! Any non-believer can do most of the things we Christians run after and aspire to be. But what the Lord really needs us to be is a Christian. Being a lawyer, or accountant, etc. is not our main focus, being a Christian is. And if we are not going to be salt, not going to be a true Christian, the Lord says we're good for nothing. So fine, you've made it. You're the best and highest paid lawyer in your field. The world applauds. But if you're not really living the Christian faith the Lord says you're nothing.

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 5

9:00am Most Reverend Eugene Marino +

7:00am Tyre Nichols †

Monday, February 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Karen Thomas-Mitchell † 7:00am

Tuesday, February 7

7:00am Hong Jian † (killed in Monterey Park) Wednesday, February 8 Saint Josephine Bakhita

7:00am Austina Jones (B'day) †

Thursday, February 9

7:00am Brent Barnett (3 months old-hospitalized since birth)

Friday, February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin 7:00am Deacon Nerus Martin + Saturday, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00am For the people

4:30pm Dorothy T. Walker +



MASS INTENTIONS: It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. 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.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mark 6:53-56 Monday: Gen 1:1-19 Gen 1:20-2:4a Mark 7:1-13 Tuesday: Wednesday: Gen 2:4b-9, 15-17 Mark 7:14-23 Thursday: Gen 2:18-25 Mark 7:24-30 Gen 3:1-8 Friday: Mark 7:31-37 Gen 3:9-24 Mark 8:1-10 Saturday:



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 to the right →.
- 2. Text "Enroll" to 301-478-8900 to give.
- 3. Go online to faith.direct/DC59 and register. This eGiving service is **FREE**. You can register to have your tithes automatically deducted twice a month or give a one-time gift/donation. Peaks 🔳 Questions? Contact Kim (pam@hcscchurch.org or 202-546-1885).



Stay Connected







- Visit our parish website (hcscchurch.org) for news.
- Subscribe to Flocknote by texting "HCSC" to 84576 or visit https://hcscchurch.flocknote.com/ to sign up 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 January 29, 2023

4:30pm 40 8:00am 50 9:30am 32 11:00am 174 7:00pm Total: 353

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (2/6) Friday (2/10)

7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study 6:00pm Holy Hour w/confession

Wednesday (2/8)

7:15pm Adult Bible Study

Saturday (2/11)

12noon Women's Ministry Zoom



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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.

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH LIFE



2023 ANNUAL APPEAL: On the weekend of Feb. 11-12, parishioners will appeal.adw.org • #adwappeal be asked prayerfully to make their commitment to the 2023 Annual

Appeal. In the meantime, take a brochure located in the pews this weekend, or visit appeal.adw.org, to learn more about how the Annual Appeal benefits our parish and serves people in need throughout the archdiocese, as well as a guide to your own level of giving. It is our goal that every parish family will participate this year, no matter the amount. All gifts will be credited towards our parish goal. Thank you in advance for your generous response to the 2023 Annual Appeal.



NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK 2023: The observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sun., Feb. 12) opportunity an to focus building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting

marriage and the family. The theme for 2023 is "Marriage...one flesh, given and received." At HCSC, blessings will be given at Mass the weekend of Feb 11-12. For more resources on the vocation of marriage, scan resources on the vocation of marriage.org.



SAVE THE DATE: HCSC MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP: Our parish has formed a marriage ministry for those who are married (any length of time). It is a forum of food and fellowship with both secular and spiritual discussion among married couples. The ministry meets once a month on the 3rd Sunday after the 11am Mass in the rectory basement. Our next fellowship is Sun., Feb. 19th. Sounds interesting? Stop by and see!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP (via Zoom): Join the Women's Ministry on Sat., Feb. 11, 12noon-2pm. Theme: The Seeds of Ancestors. Guest Carla Makell (author of "A Seed A Day Keeps

the Enemy Away"). See flyer for details and zoom link.



Join us for Echoes of the Ancient—a FREE choral showcase of sacred music by young composers (including HCSC's very own Christina Gillam) on Sat., Feb. 18th at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Special performance by LUX. Light refreshment to follow.



SAVE THE DATE: The National Black Catholic Congress XIII Gathering will be held on July **20-23**, **2023** at the Gaylord Convention Center in Oxon Hill,

MD. Join with other Black Catholics and those who minister to Black Catholics in the United States for a celebration of our faith and culture. For more information, visit: nbccgathering2023.org/Home or scan QR code.





CONGRATULATIONS to Sydney Elaine Jackson who graduated in December 2022 from with Redford University with a BS in Communications. Prayers for Sydney as she embarks upon her new journey. Go with God!

The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará (the "blue nuns"), are leading a pilgrimage for young women in the summer of 2023 for the occasion of the World Youth Day being held in

Lisbon, Portugal with Pope Francis. The journey will take them through France and Spain, to the sites of the saints and martyrs, to places of culture and history. Three young women from your parish have been invited to attend - but need the funds to help get them there! The trip is \$3,000/person, which includes the airfare, bus travel in Europe, food, and lodging for 20 days of pilgrimage. Please consider making a contribution in order to make it possible for these young ladies to have this experience. Pick up a flyer/envelope in the rear of the church for details. Thank you.



CHURCH RESTROOMS ARE BEING RENOVATED: For the next couple of weeks, the restrooms in the rear of the Church are under construction and will be closed. Please use the handicap and

Church basement restrooms located up the ramp to the left of the Mary altar near the front of the church (near the Altar). We apologize for the inconvenience.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

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





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

hcscchurch.flocknote.com. Questions? Contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hcscstaff@hcscchurch.org.

EUCHARISTIC 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.



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Mass Times: Saturday Sunday

8am & 4:30pm (vigil); 8am, 9:30am, 11am and 7pm;

Mon—Fri: 7am (8am on holidays) Weekdays

Rectory Office Hours:

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

The Seeds of our Ancestors



Join the Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Women's Ministry For a virtual fellowship (Via Zoom)

Saturday, February 11, 2023 12:00—2:00 pm

Meeting ID: 897 4973 1753 Meeting Password 463758 Or dial in using your phone at 301-715-8592

All are Welcome

Invite others. We ask all participants to find a quiet place with the least amount of background distractions and mute your microphones when not speaking.

For additional information, contact one of the following

Laura Stanton (301) 326-9467 Wanda Ross (301) 523-1017

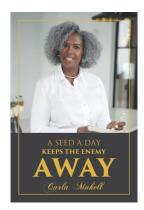
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Our Guest Speaker Carla Makell Entrepreneur, Encourager, Speaker





Author of "A Seed A Day Keeps the Enemy Away"

Available on Amazon

Meet our Guest Speaker: Carla Makell

Carla Makell is walking in steps of destiny as an Entrepreneur, Influencer, Speaker and Author. An anointed Woman of God, her ministry mission is to challenge you to recognize and operate in your gift, to provoke you to change, to give you hope, and to reveal the strongholds of the enemy in the people of God.

Carla is the founder of The Seed Ministry where she birthed her first book, 'A Seed A Day Keeps the Enemy Away.' This daily devotional journal is a collaboration of inspirational quotes with relatable bible verses. In addition, Carla is currently employed as a Government Contractor for the Department of Defense.

Carla is a member of Bethel Way of the Cross Church (Huntingtown, MD) under the leadership of Bishop Darnell Easton and First Lady Margo Easton. She serves as a Grief Facilitator for the Grief Ministry.

Carla resides in Upper Marlboro, MD. She is the devoted wife to Lee Makell and the proud mother of Andre, Cayla and Kamiya.

A woman of vision and believer in the relentless POWER of praise and worship, Carla lives in the confidence of Philippians 1:6 which states: "Being confident of this very thing, He that hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

Echoes of the Ancient

A free choral showcase of sacred music by young composers

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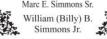
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J. Mother We Love You Always

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To Our Beloved Kenyon C. Jones # Pon & Father We'll always love you, Mom, Kids & Denita

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