



SEASON OF LENT

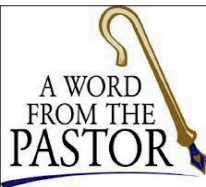
2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

Readings This Weekend:

Gen 12:1-4a 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9

Readings Next Weekend:

Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42



Today's Gospel teaches us some important things about facing the trials of life. First, note the PLACE of this gospel. Jesus, along with Peter, James and John go up a high mountain. This was no hill. It was a mountain. Have you ever climbed a mountain or do you appreciate the difficulty of it? Once up this mountain they will have a great experience of glory but the climb has to come first. And so too for us. Most of the best things in our life come at the high price of long hard work. Next, notice the PRESCRIPTION of this Gospel. Once upon the mountain they get a glimpse of glory. And Peter declares that it is good to be here! He is right. Jesus arranged for this glimpse of glory to prepare them for the difficult days ahead and he does not want them to forget this wonderful moment. We too ought to savor the good things in our life for they are the balance to the crosses and challenges of life. Next, notice the PRODUCT of this gospel. The Lord intends for this experience to remind them all that heaven is more than worth the cross. So too for us, the Lord intends us to meditate frequently on heaven in such a way that we are encouraged to accept the struggle in order to get there.



FUNERALS: Juanita Jackson Moore (March 15th)



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday, March 5

8:00am Ming Ma (*killed at Monterey Park*) †
9:30am intentions of the catechumens and candidates
11:00am intentions of Verna Leftwood
7:00pm Alexandria Verner (*killed at Michigan State Univ.*)

Monday, March 6

7:00am George T. Holton (B'day) †

Tuesday, March 7 *Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs*

7:00am intentions of Arlene Long

Wednesday, March 8

7:00am intentions of Ralph Brown

Thursday, March 9

7:00am Diana Tom (*killed at Monterey Park*) †

Friday, March 10

7:00am intentions of those suffering in war & civil unrest

Saturday, March 11

8:00am For the people
4:30pm Brian Fraser (*killed at Michigan State Univ.*)



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

Monday: Deut 9:4b-10 Luke 6:36-38
Tuesday: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 Matthew 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10 Luke 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Matt. 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



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 to the right →
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3. Go online to faith.direct/DC59 and register.

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Questions? Contact Kim Peaks
(pam@hscchurch.org or 202-546-1885).



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MASS ATTENDANCE

February 26, 2023

4:30pm	33
8:00am	50
9:30am	30
11:00am	184
7:00pm	70
Total:	337

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (3/6)

7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study

Friday (3/10)

6:00pm Holy Hour w/confession

Wednesday (3/8)

7:15pm Adult Bible Study

7:00pm Stations of the Cross



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:

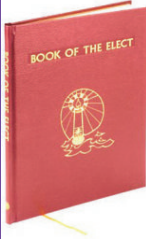
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OUR VISION STATEMENT:

A welcoming, embracing and joyful faith family richly rooted in the community today, tomorrow and forever.

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

PARISH LIFE



Our parish will hold the **RITE OF SENDING** this Sunday at 11am Mass. Our parish will pray for and send our catechumens and candidates (**Carter Ball, Shirley Campbell, Mark Hauer, Casmire Mitchell, Richard Quinones, Tomeka Seaborn**) off to the Shrine where they will join others from around the Archdiocese of Washington for the **Rite of Election** where they are presented to the Cardinal who will officially welcome them as they begin their Lenten journey to Easter.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR LENT?

Check out the **LENTEN RESOURCE** table in the rear of the church for more Lenten prayers, devotions and suggestions for your Lenten journey this season.

HOLY HOUR and **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** are held throughout Lent every Friday in the church with **Holy Hour at 6pm** followed by **Stations of the Cross at 7pm**. Come and journey with Jesus to Calvary this Lent.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: Join Msgr. Pope (via Zoom) every Wednesday during Lent at 7:15pm for a Lenten Bible Study titled "*Learning in Lent*". We will look at scripture and examine the teachings of the Church that seem difficult especially during these times when it appears counter to today's culture. Sign up to receive the weekly Zoom link via email at hscchurch.flocknote.com. **Questions?** Contact the rectory office at hscstaff@hscchurch.org or call 202-546-1885.

Check out ways to pray this Lent on the **HALLOW APP** — the #1 Catholic App in the world. Pick up a flyer/card in rear of church or just download the app on your mobile device.



LENTEN FOOD DRIVE: Give to others during the season of Lent by donating to our Lenten food drive. You can make a monetary donation; purchase and bring in the food or order and have it delivered to the rectory. Pick up a flyer in the rear of the church for the types of food that we are requesting.



HELP THOSE IN TURKEY AND SYRIA AFTER EARTHQUAKE: Since Feb. 6th, we have seen a humanitarian crisis unfold in Turkey and Syria after successive 7.8 magnitude earthquakes devastated the region. The death toll has surpassed 33,000 and will continue to increase. Parishioners are encouraged to pray and to donate to Catholic Relief Services by visiting crs.org. Your gift will help CRS partners in the region provide safe shelter, and access to food, clean water and hygienic supplies. Thank you for your generous response to help those in need.



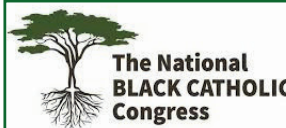
HCSC YOUTH MINISTRY

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



GOOD FRIDAY YOUTH PAGEANT: Calling all youth actors!!! Our Youth Ministry will present the re-enactment of the **Lord's Passion** on **Good Friday, April 7th** at 7pm. Rehearsals held on

Sunday after 11am Mass. If you'd would like to participate as actor, reader or cast member, contact youth director.



Registration is OPEN for the National Black Catholic Congress XIII Gathering to 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.



SAVE THE DATE: WOMEN'S MINISTRY MARCH FELLOWSHIP (via Zoom): Join the Women's Ministry on **Sat., March 18, 12noon-2pm**. Theme: Evolving Role of Women in the Church. Speaker: Therese Wilson Favors (Archdiocese of Baltimore). Stay tuned for more details.



UPDATE: CHURCH RESTROOM RENOVATION ALMOST COMPLETE!

Our church building has been around a number of years and with this renovation we encountered a number of issues once they began the initial demolition. Of course, this delayed the work and prolonged the project. But, it is finally coming to a completion! We hope that within the next 2 weeks or sooner, we will have our newly renovated restroom available to all. In the meantime, use the handicap restroom located up the ramp to the left of the Mary altar near the front of the church (near the Altar). We are grateful for your patience during the renovation.

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 hscchurch.flocknote.com.



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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)

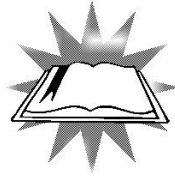
Rectory Office Hours:

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

Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Catholic Church

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY W/MSGR. CHARLES POPE

Every Wednesday beginning March 1 to March 29



LEARNING IN LENT

...but be transformed by the renewing of your mind (Roman 12:2)

Lent is a time of renewal and conversion, a time to grow in our faith. But the teachings of our faith are under attack as never before and Catholics can too easily become doubtful and cynical about biblical and Catholic teachings on many critical moral topics related to life, marriage, family and sexuality. Consider a fast from all the criticism and give the gift of your time to hear what the Church actually teaches and why.

Our Lenten Bible study will focus on areas of Church teachings that have become controversial over the past decades. We will look to their biblical origins and explain why they remain true for us today and how they make sense.

We will meet via Zoom (online) each Wednesday of Lent at 7:15pm and cover the topics below. If you have not done so, please subscribe to **FlockNotes** at hscchurch.flocknote.com and select the *Wednesday Bible Study* to receive the weekly Zoom link to each session. If you have questions on how to link to the bible study via Zoom, contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

March 1st – FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPALS

Why does the Church care what people do?
The Cross - The way of the Truth is not always easy
The Nature of the Church - A thermostat not a thermometer
Stay Put-Stay Catholic - How politics changes, but the Church teachings stay the same

March 8th – MARRIAGE AND SEXUAL IDENTITY ISSUES

Is the Church Anti-LGBTQ?
Why does the Church not accept Gay Marriage?
What does the Church offer LGBTQ Catholics?
Why does the Church teach against transgenderism?

March 15th -- LIFE ISSUES 1

Abortion
Contraception

March 22nd – LIFE ISSUES 2

Physician Assisted Suicide
Capital Punishment

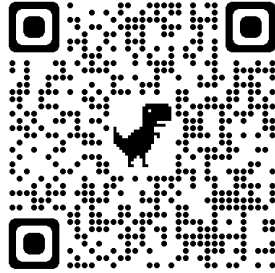
March 29th – VOCATIONAL ISSUES

Why no women priests?
Why do scriptures say that the husband is the head of his wife and family?
Why no divorce and remarriage?
Denial of Communion?

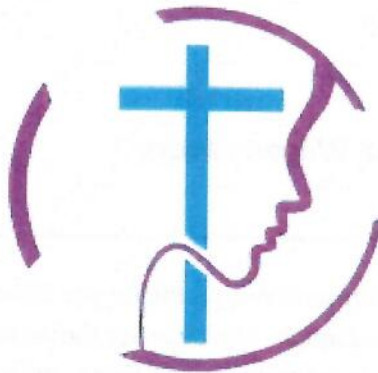
Therefore, be of clear mind and self-controlled so that you can pray. (1 Peter 4:7)

NOTE: If you missed the bible study, you can find details on how to listen to the audio file by visiting this link or scan the QR code:

<https://hscchurch.org/lenten-bible-study/>



Evolving Role of Women in the Church



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

Saturday, March 18, 2023

12:00—2:00 pm

All are Welcome



Guest Speaker

THERESE WILSON FAVORS

Former Director of the
Office of Black Catholics
Archdiocese of Baltimore

Meeting ID: 897 4973 1753

Meeting Password: 463758

Or dial in using your phone at 301-715-8592

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

Bertha Colbert (301) 567-9786

Robin Brooks (202) 271-2940

Shirley Austin (202) 368-7231

Wanda Ross (301) 523-1017

Miriam Townsend-Edelen (301) 219-7986

Linda Simpson (301) 735-6432

Brenda Worthy (202) 355-4075



Therese Wilson Favors

Therese Wilson Favors is the former Director of the Office of African American Catholic Ministries for the Archdiocese of Baltimore, having served in that role for nineteen (19) years. At the moment of her retirement, Ms. Favors had accumulated 43 years of service in ministry within the Archdiocese of Baltimore. She has served as both Program Director and Executive Director of the National Black Catholic Congress, Director of Evangelization at Corpus Christi Catholic Church and Coordinator of Elementary Catechesis for the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Her ministry also extended to over five (5) years as a Catholic School teacher at both St. Cecilia and Fr. Charles A. Hall Schools.

She is a Professor at the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University in New Orleans and Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Mrs. Favors lectures throughout the country and prepares programs that focus on African-American issues surrounding catechesis, evangelization, and spirituality. Along with many Black Catholic leaders in Baltimore, Therese launched a campaign of street evangelization titled, "Operation Faith Lift" in year 2000. She has contributed to several books, serving as editor for "What We Have Seen and Heard: Essays and Stories of Black Catholics in Baltimore," published in 2006, twenty (20) issues of "Keep On Teaching," an Africentric catechetical resource and "God Bless Them Who Have Their Own: African American Catechetical Camp Meetin' Proceedings" (United States Catholic Conference of Bishops).

Additionally she has been a contributing writer for resources discussing HIV and AIDS, as well as the National Day of Prayer for African American and African Families. Mrs. Favors is the author of "Rise Up and Re-Build" a resource for African American Families issued by the National Black Catholic Congress. In 2007, she was awarded the Papal Honor of *Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice* by Pope Benedict XVI.

For 34 years, Therese has been married to Andrew Favors who is a tremendous blessing; lending enormous support and love. Ms. Favors holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Coppin State University and a Master's Degree in Religious Education from St. Mary's Seminary, both of Baltimore, Maryland.



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8lb Honey Baked Ham	\$ 112.00			Sweet Potato Souffle	\$ 10.99		
9lb Honey Baked Ham	\$ 126.00			Green Bean Casserole	\$ 10.99		
10lb Honey Baked Ham	\$ 140.00			Double Cheddar Macaroni & Cheese	\$ 10.99		
4lbs Boneless Half Ham	\$ 60.00			Tuscan-Style Broccoli	\$ 10.99		
9lb Boneless Whole Ham	\$ 135.00			Baked Cinnamon Apples	\$ 10.99		
				Cheesy Potatoes Au Gratin	\$ 10.99		
Turkey				Cornbread Stuffing	\$ 10.99		
Smoked Turkey Breast	\$ 45.00			Creamery Russet Mashed Potatoes	\$ 10.99		
Roasted Turkey Breast	\$ 45.00						
				Sweet Treats (If not paired with a meat, each price is listed)			
Popular Pairs				Cinnamon Walnut Coffee Cake	\$ 22.99		
8lb Honey Baked Ham & Smoked Turkey Breast	\$ 157.00			Blueberry Coffee Cake	\$ 22.99		
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4lbs Boneless Half Ham & Roasted Turkey Breast	\$ 105.00			New York Style Cheesecake Sampler	\$ 22.99		
4lbs Boneless Half Ham & Smoked Turkey Breast	\$ 105.00			Apple Walnut Caramel Pie	\$ 14.99		
Sweetest Duos: (select pie on other side)				Southern Pecan Pie	\$ 14.99		
Honey Baked Ham (8lb) & Pie	\$ 127.00			Whole Rum Cakes: Circle each flavor: Vanilla, Cinnamon, Chocolate, Coconut	\$ 26.99	#Van #Cinna #Choco #Coconut	
Boneless Half Ham (4lb) & Pie	\$ 75.00			Rum Cake Sampler: Contains all flavors as mini bundt cakes	\$ 26.99		
The Perfect Gifts: Select sides on other side							
Honey Baked Ham (8lb) & 2 Sides (make separate sheet to identify sides per order)	\$ 134.00						
Boneless Half Ham (4lb) & 2 Sides (make separate list)	\$ 82.00						
Whole Turkey							
Cajun Whole Turkey (10-12lbs)	\$ 55.99						
Smoked Whole Turkey (10-12lbs)	\$ 55.99						
Roasted Whole Turkey (10-12lbs)	\$ 55.99						
Other Items							
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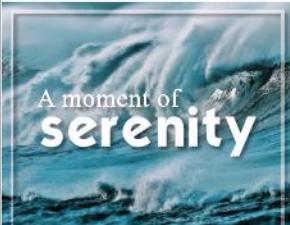
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