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MATTHEW 17:5

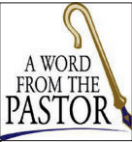
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Readings This Weekend:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9

Readings Next Weekend:

1 Kings 19:9, 11-13 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33



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 tall 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.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday, August 6 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

8:00am Patrick Mandong
9:30am Intentions of Derek Williams
11:00am Deacon Charles Edelin †
7:00pm Doris Lancaster †

Monday, August 7 *Saint Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs*

7:00am Intentions of Ollie Johnson (B'day)

Tuesday, August 8 *Saint Dominic, Priest*

7:00am Intentions of Sharon Johnson (B'day)

Wednesday, August 9 *St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Martyr*

7:00am William Anthony Smothers †

Thursday, August 10 *Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr*

7:00am Howard Lawrence Brown †

Friday, August 11 *Saint Clare, Virgin*

7:00am William Middleton, Sr. †

Saturday, August 12 *Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

8:00am For the People
4:30pm Intentions of Janice Redmond



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 Intention in memory of a friend or family (living or deceased), call 202-546-1885. The customary stipend is \$10 per intention.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY	Numbers 11:4-15	Matthew 14:13-21
TUESDAY	Numbers 12:1-13	Matthew 14:22-36
WEDNESDAY	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29, 34-35	Matthew 15:21-28
THURSDAY	2 Corinthians 9:6-10	John 12:24-26
FRIDAY	Deuteronomy 4:32-40	Matthew 16:24-28
SATURDAY	Deuteronomy 6:4-13	Matthew 17:14-20



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 →
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.

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



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 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 July 29-30, 2023

4:30pm	37
8:00am	47
9:30am	31
11:00am	137
7:00pm	73
Total:	325

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (8/7)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday (8/11)

6:00pm Holy Hour w/ confession

Tuesday (8/8)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT HCSC! If you want to see what else is happening at the parish, check out our full **Parish Calendar** on our website at hscchurch.org. Click on the QR code to the right with your cellphone camera for instant access.



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.

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PARISH LIFE



CONGRATULATIONS to **Ryan Moore** and **Jasmine Potter** who were joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at HCSC on **July 28th**. We pray that their union will be blessed with love and devotion to both God and each other.



CONGRATULATIONS to **Olivia Margot Briggs** who was Baptized here at our church into the family of the Sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ, on **Sunday, July 30th**. May God bless Olivia and her family in their journey of faith.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



to **Veronica Rodgers** who celebrated her **90th** birthday on August 3^d. Veronica has not only been a faithful parishioner but has volunteered for many years in the rectory office. We give thanks for the precious years you've been given. May God's blessings be with you as you celebrate this special milestone. Thank you for your service to the parish.



THANK YOU to those who were able to support the Oblate Sisters of Providence (OSP) annual raffle fundraiser. The winning raffles will be drawn on Sun., Aug. 6th at the Motherhouse in Baltimore, MD. This annual raffle supports the

Sisters in their continued efforts to educate and serve God's people in the poorest locations. We were blessed to have had the Oblates at both Saint Cyprian and the combined Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian schools. If you were unable to purchase a raffle, visit the website (oblatesisters.com) to learn more and donate.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! HCSC ANNUAL FAMILY & FRIENDS PICNIC is Sat., Sept., 23rd at Watkins Regional Park. **We need your help to make this annual family event happen!** If you can offer your time and talent as a volunteer, contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or kpeaks@hscchurch.org. This annual picnic has been a tradition for a number of years in our parish and provides a wonderful fellowship for families and friends. Help us maintain that spirit of community. Save the date and let us know if you can help us out.



ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Classes on the fundamental teachings of the Catholic faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) are scheduled to begin this fall (held **Sundays at 9:30am in the rectory**). Classes are designed for non-Catholics considering becoming a Catholic, but also an opportunity for adult Catholics who missed receiving one or more of the sacraments. Also for those returning to the Church after a long absence and looking to enrich their faith. Questions? For information or to just find out if this is something that will help you in your faith journey, contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or email: rciahcsc@gmail.com. **Come and See!**



SAVE THE DATE: It's BACK!! The HCSC MUSIC MINISTRY 51st ANNIVERSARY CONCERT will be **Sun., Oct. 22nd at 4pm**. Theme: *In Our Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow: We Give You Praise!* Due to COVID, our last concert was in 2019 but we are lifting our voices in praise and song with a **FREE** concert! Stay tuned!

VACATION TIME IS HERE! Whether you stay home or travel, get some rest and enjoy yourself. No matter where you are, make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass. What a great time to pray in thanksgiving! Visit **DiscoverMass.com** or **masstimes.org** for mass times and locations around the country.



DID YOU KNOW OUR CHURCH HAS A PARISH APP! MyParish App allows you to connect with your parish. Stay up-to-date with what is going on in our parish throughout the month. With the MyParish app you can receive parish messages, read bulletins, and listen to homilies. Enjoy useful faith-building resources to complement your daily faith life, such as, daily Mass readings, reminders to silence your phone before Mass, access a full list of traditional Catholic prayers, and much more. **Visit MyParishApp.com to download to your phone.** Available for Apple and Android phones.

HCSC YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets in-person on Mondays at 7:30pm in the rectory basement. **NOTE: Bible study will not be held during August. It will resume in September.** To receive email notifications of when they meet, sign up for Young Adult Bible Study on hscchurch.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 hscchurch.flocknote.com. **Questions?** Contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org.

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.



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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

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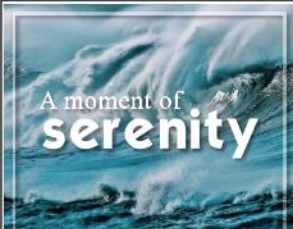
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The Deceased Jenifers:
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Neal, Kimberly, Cyprian Jr., Jovan
*Still Loved, Still Missed
& Very Dear, The Family*

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~ Anna, Othalene, Lataunya,
Betty - wife and mother



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To Our Beloved
Kenyon E. Jones
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