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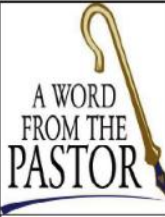
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Readings This Weekend:**

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17

**Readings Next Weekend:**

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



The Gospel today speaks of three Fruits of Love. The first Fruit of Love is **Justice**. Jesus says that he loves us and that we should remain in his love. How do we know and experience that we remain in his love? By keeping the commandments. Notice that keeping the commandments is not the cause of God's love, it is the fruit of God's love.

God's love for us causes us to keep the commandments. To keep the commandments is justice, and hence justice is the first fruit of love. The second Fruit of Love is **Joy**. Jesus says that he tells us all this so that his joy may be in us and our joy may be complete. God didn't give the commandments to take away our fun, but rather that we might find joy and happiness. The Greek word translated here as joy is "chiara" and is better translated as "calm delight." The keeping of the commandments and a life of justice brings this 'calm delight.' The third Fruit of Love is **Jesus**. He calls us his friends in this passage if we keep his commandments. Here, too, note the connections. God's love in us causes us to keep the commandments which brings forth joy and an experience of friendship with the Lord Jesus



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**MASS ATTENDANCE**

April 28, 2024

4:30pm	44
8:00am	56
9:30am	54
11:00am	252
7:00pm	72
<b>Total:</b>	<b>478</b>

**† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †**

**Sunday, May 5** *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

- 8:00am Lucy Jones (B'day) †
- 9:30am Deceased members of the Holton Family †
- 11:00am James O'Neale †
- 7:00pm Maynor Yassir Suaze Sandoval (died in F.S. Key Bridge collapse) †

**Monday, May 6**

- 7:00am Ann Maconislamarr Bailey †

**Tuesday, May 7**

- 7:00am William Robert Jeffcoat †

**Wednesday, May 8**

- 7:00am Donald Cole †

**Thursday, May 9**

- 7:00am Eva Green (B'day) †

**Friday, May 10** *St. John of Avila, Priest/Doctor of Church & St. Damien, priest*

- 7:00am Mary Ann Lee Thornton Chestnut †

**Saturday, May 11**

- 8:00am For the People
- 4:30pm Lydia Ann Brown †



**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 or [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org). The customary stipend is \$10 per intention.

**DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>MONDAY:</b>	ACTS 16:11-15	JOHN 15:26—16:4
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	ACTS 16:22-34	JOHN 16:5-11
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	ACTS 17:15, 22—18:1	JOHN 16:12-15
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	ACTS 18:1-8	JOHN 16:16-20
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	ACTS 18:9-18	JOHN 16:20-23
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	ACTS 18:23-28	JOHN 16:23-28

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

**Monday (5/6)**

- 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study

**Tuesday (5/7)**

- 7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday (5/8)**

- 7:30pm Bible Study (Zoom)

**Friday (5/10)**

- 6:00pm Holy Hour w/confession

**Saturday (5/11)**

- 9:00am HNS Exec Bd mtg



**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.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION / HOLY HOUR** is

held **EVERY FRIDAY** from **6—7PM** in the sanctuary. Gather and reflect in quiet prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions are also heard at this time.



**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



#### *Congratulations to our*

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS 2024**

who celebrated First Holy Communion on **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. As a community, pray that these youth, with the help of their families, will make this First Communion a lifelong practice of receiving the Eucharist. A very special word of thanks to our wonderful, dedicated teachers and helpers!



**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Dominic Augustus Santorum** who was Baptized into the family of the Sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ, on **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. May God bless Dominic and his parents as they begin this spiritual journey.

**PENTECOST** is **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**. On this day we pray, *"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love."* Please invite family and friends to come share this holy day which is also the feast day of the parish of Holy Comforter. **NOTE: Volunteers are needed** to help with the reception following the 11AM Mass. Contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or [kpeaks@hscchurch.org](mailto:kpeaks@hscchurch.org) to help. Thanks!

Join the HCSC Holy Name Society and the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary as they host a *Day of Reflection* on **June 9<sup>th</sup>** after 11AM Mass at Center City Public Charter School (15<sup>th</sup> & E. Capitol Sts, SE). Father Larry Swink is the guest presenter. Come and hear about the *'Eucharist - Food for the Mind Body and Soul.'* Stay tuned for info to RSVP for this FREE event.



**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** Join with HCSC on **June 2<sup>nd</sup>** following the 11:00AM Mass as we unite in a Eucharistic procession through the neighborhood. **NOTE:** If you are interested in helping with the procession, contact the rectory office at [kpeaks@hscchurch.org](mailto:kpeaks@hscchurch.org) or 202-546-1885.

The Holy Name Society **ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT** is **July 26-28** at the Claggett Retreat Center. **THEME:** *Living with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.* Rev. Larry Swink is the facilitator. Open to all men in the parish. Scan the QR code for details or visit: [hscchurch.org](http://hscchurch.org).



### LIVING WITH JESUS IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

In this, the Year of the Holy Eucharist, our parish has been seeking to root and link all our activities, retreats and functions to Jesus who is present with us in the Holy Eucharist. We hope to deepen our personal encounter with the Lord Jesus who is truly and really present in the Holy Liturgy and Eucharist, to reinvigorate our devotion to Holy Mass and Eucharistic adoration, and to draw others to the realization that *Jesus is here right now!*

Visit our website for upcoming events and teachings. **Scan the QR code to the right with cellphone camera → to link to our webpage.**



Visit our **'Eucharistic Miracles'** exhibits in the rear of the sanctuary and learn about the supernatural power of the Eucharist.

**MOTHER'S DAY GIFT SALE:** Are you looking for a gift for Mother's Day? There will be a small gift sale out on the church plaza following the morning Masses on May 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will benefit the **Oblate Sisters of Providence**. Stop by and take a look!



**FIRST FRIDAY ALL—DAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** **Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** is the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will offer Adoration in the Church beginning with Mass at 7:00 AM and continuing until 7:00 PM. You are invited to sign up for an hour or more. **To sign-up:** Scan the QR code → or visit: [hscchurch.org/holy-eucharist/First Friday Adoration/](http://hscchurch.org/holy-eucharist/First-Friday-Adoration/). You can also contact the rectory at 202-546-1885 or [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org) and leave your name, number & email and preferred day and time. Even if the sign-up slots are filled, you are still invited to come. Bring a friend!



### HCSC BIBLE STUDIES

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** meets with Msgr. Pope in-person on **Mondays at 7PM** in the rectory. To receive email notifications, sign up for Young Adult Bible Study on [hscchurch.flocknote.com](http://hscchurch.flocknote.com).



**Bible Study** everyone is welcome. 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](http://hscchurch.flocknote.com). **Questions?** Contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org).

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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 & 4:30AM (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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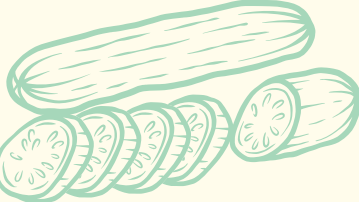


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