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OF LIFE

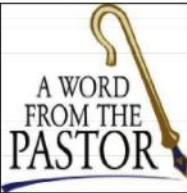
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Exo 16:2-4, 12-15 Eph 4:17, 20-24 John 6:24-35

Readings Next Weekend:

1 Kings 19:4-8 Eph 4:30-5:2 John 6:41-51



The Gospel for today's Mass speaks to desire. The Lord Jesus is interacting with some very hungry people, but he tries to get them to reconsider what they are truly hungry for. Consider this gospel in three stages. First there is the **Hunger of Desire**. The gospel indicates they journeyed quite a distance to find Jesus in hopes that he would feed them once again as he had when he multiplied the loaves and fishes. Though their desires need to be purified, at least the desires draw them to Jesus. Next note the **Healing of Desire** - Jesus enters into a discussion with them about the nature of their desire. They are looking for food for their stomachs. Jesus asks them (and us) to be as urgent and motivated to get food for their souls! Through the Eucharist and his word, Jesus wants to provide food unto eternal life, not merely run a soup kitchen. If food for the body is important, food for the soul is even more important. Finally then note the **Heart of Desire**. Having drawn them to consider a higher and better bread, they say to Jesus, "Sir, give us this bread always!" And Jesus says, "I AM the bread..." In other words he is the heart of what they and we really desire. Too often we think more possession, more popularity, more pleasures will satisfy us. Only for a moment. The heart of our Desire is God, and God alone.

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, August 4

8:00am Intentions of Sharlene Carter
 9:30am Father Charles McCann †
 11:00am Intentions of Veronica Rodgers (B'day 8/3)
 7:00pm Intentions of Bertha Colbert

Monday, August 5

7:00am William Middleton, Sr. †

Tuesday, August 6 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

7:00am Doris Dandridge †

Wednesday, August 7

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

Thursday, August 8 *St. Dominic*

7:00am Rolanda Jones †

Friday, August 9 *St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross*

7:00am Jeanette Simms †

Saturday, August 10 *St. Lawrence*

8:00am For the People
 4:30pm Gloria Ross †



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. The customary stipend is \$10 per intention.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: JEREMIAH 28:1-17 MATTHEW 14:13-21
TUESDAY: DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14 MARK 9:2-10
WEDNESDAY: JEREMIAH 31:1-7 MATTHEW 15:21-28
THURSDAY: JEREMIAH 31:31-34 MATTHEW 16:13-23
FRIDAY: NAHUM 2:1,3; 3:1-3, 6-7 MATTHEW 16:24-28
SATURDAY: 2 COR 9:6-10 JOHN 12:24-26



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 (kpeaks@hscchurch.org or 202-546-1885).



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MASS ATTENDANCE	
July 28, 2024	
4:30pm	31
8:00am	43
9:30am	40
11:00am	132
7:00pm	56
Total:	302

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (8/5) 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study	Friday (8/9) 6:00pm Adoration/Confession
Wednesday (8/7) 7:30pm Bible Study (Zoom)	



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.

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH LIFE



CONGRATULATIONS to *Anya Erwin Wang* who was Baptized into the family of the Sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ, on **July 28th**. May God bless Anya and her parents as she begins this spiritual journey.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING 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 (to be held **Sunday's at 9:30AM in the rectory**). Classes are designed for non-Catholics who are considering becoming a Catholic, but also an opportunity for adult Catholics who missed receiving one or more of the sacraments and 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.

DID YOU KNOW OUR CHURCH HAS A PARISH APP! MyParish App allows you to connect with our parish. Stay up-to-date on what is happening. You can read the daily readings, bulletins, listen to homilies and find prayers. Enjoy useful faith-building resources to complement your daily faith life. **Visit MyParishApp.com and download to your phone.** Available for Apple and Android phones. It's **FREE!**



SAVE THE DATE



HCSC ANNUAL FRIENDS & FAMILY PICNIC is **Sat., Sept., 21st** at Cosca Park (Clinton, MD). We need our parishioners help to make this annual family event happen! If you like to 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 provided 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. It's a **FREE** event for the family and friends!



The HCSC MUSIC MINISTRY 52nd ANNIVERSARY CONCERT is **Sun., Oct. 27nd** at **4pm**. It will be a **FREE** concert (a free-will offering will be taken). **Theme: God is In Control!** Come and Praise the Lord with us in song and music! Invite family, friends and neighbors! Mark your calendar!



VACATION TIME IS HERE: Whether you stay home or travel, we hope and pray that you and your family enjoy yourself and get some much needed rest. No matter where you are, make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass. What better time to pray in thanksgiving than while you are resting! Visit DiscoverMass.com or masstimes.org for mass times and locations around the country. Also on MyParishApp!



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!*

Learn more about the Eucharist! **Scan the QR code** with cellphone camera to link to webpage.



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

BIBLE STUDIES AT HCSC



YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Mondays at 7PM in the rectory w/Msgr. Charles Pope.



FRIENDLY SENIORS BIBLE STUDY: held the **second** Tuesday of every month at 10:30AM in the chapel. Deacon James Flagg is the facilitator.



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: held every Wednesday via Zoom at 7:15PM w/Msgr. Charles Pope. Sign up at hscchurch.flocknote.com to receive Zoom link.

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SUMMER 2024 SPIRITUAL RETREATS FOR MEN at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Cntr: Join on a retreat inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius. You can spend one-night or stay a week! Come, ignite your spirit and immerse yourself in a transformative experience.

NEXT RETREAT DATES: Aug. 16-18 or 17-18. Visit ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301-365-0612. Retreat Center located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187.

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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 & 4:30AM (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

Interested in becoming Catholic? Have you missed receiving any sacraments?

- Have you or a friend or family member been thinking of joining the Catholic Church?
- Did you or any family member or friends miss receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Communion?
- Are you Catholic and searching for a greater knowledge and appreciation of your faith?

We offer classes on the fundamental teachings of the Catholic faith. Although they are designed for non-Catholics who are considering becoming Catholic, they are also a wonderful opportunity for adult Catholics who have missed receiving one or more of the sacraments or who may be returning to the Church after a long absence. Classes begin in September 2024.

If interested, or you know of someone who is, complete the form below and drop in the collection basket or give to an usher. You can also email the information to rciahcsc@gmail.com or call 202-546-1885.

Let us know if you have questions or are not certain how this will work for you. There is no commitment for seeking information. We are available to help you in your journey!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION INQUIRY

Print Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

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

If yes, check which sacraments are needed: Holy Communion Confirmation Not sure

USHER: Please take completed forms to the rectory office. Thank you.

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