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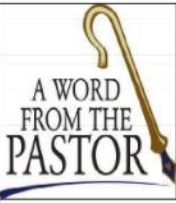
TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Deut 4:1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mark 7:1-15, 21-23

Readings Next Weekend:

Isaiah 35:4-7a James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37



In today's readings a proper understanding of the Law and its relationship to our hearts is taught. First, we are taught of the **PROMISE** of the Law when Moses tells us God is giving us the Law so that we can enter the Land and take possession of it. In other words, the Law unlocks many blessings and promises for us. There is also the **PRECISION** of the Law for Moses teaches that we shall not add or subtract from what God gives. Blessings can only really come if we wholeheartedly embrace God's way. For example, if you told me how to get to your house but I only obeyed every other turn, I will most likely not get there. Next, we are taught the **PORTRAYAL** of the Law which is done by our very living of the Law. In so doing, we give evidence of the very wisdom the Law itself gives. Next, we are warned by Jesus of the **PRIORITY** of God's law for he warns that we too often substitute human traditions and teachings for God's Law. No, says Jesus, every human thought and law must be subordinate to God's Law which always has priority. Finally, the Lord teaches on the **PLACE** of the Law which must be in our hearts. It is not enough for the Law to be in our intellect. For the heart is the deeper part of us wherein we deliberate, ponder the meaning of things, discern and ultimately choose. Further, the heart describes that part of us which is most truly our very self. And when the Law reaches our heart we keep it not because we have to, but because we want to.



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

August 25, 2024

4:30pm	46
8:00am	46
9:30am	41
11:00am	140
7:00pm	47
Total:	320

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday (9/2) Labor Day

Rectory Closed
Morning Mass at 8:00AM

Wednesday (9/4)

7:30pm Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesday (9/3)

6:00pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday (9/6)

8:00am-7:00pm All-Day Adoration



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.



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.

† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Sunday, September 1 *Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Beverly Vaughn (B'day) †
9:30am For the People
11:00am Bruce J. Donnelly †
7:00pm Intentions of Cyprian Jenifer

Monday, September 2

7:00am Theresa Clark-James (B'day)

Tuesday, September 3 *St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church*

7:00am Henry L. Fulford †

Wednesday, September 4

7:00am Savannah Blu Holton (B'day)

Thursday, September 5

7:00am Intentions of Joan Hearn

Friday, September 6

7:00am Nathaniel & Nannie Williams †

Saturday, September 7

8:00am Intentions of Teresa Cunningham
4:30pm Florence Ford (B'day) †

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY:	1COR 2:1-5	LUKE 4:16-30
TUESDAY:	1COR 2:10b-16	LUKE 4:31-37
WEDNESDAY:	1COR 3:1-9	LUKE 4:38-44
THURSDAY:	1COR 3:18-23	LUKE 5:1-11
FRIDAY:	1COR 4:1-5	LUKE 5:33-39
SATURDAY:	1COR 4:6b-15	LUKE 6:1-5

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.

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH LIFE



RECTORY CLOSED in observance of **Labor Day, Monday September 2nd**. Morning Mass is at 8AM. Have a blessed holiday weekend!

PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the worker. Make a place in our hearts for compassion to the men and women who labor tirelessly for basic necessities. Ensure a place for the men and women who are struggling to find work. Grant us your wisdom to greet and care for those who are unable to work due to illness or circumstances that prevent their participation. Be with the children who are not able to run and play, but instead must put in a hard day's work to help their family afford to eat, to live. Be with us all, Christ Jesus, as we go about the busyness of our work. Hold us accountable not only for our actions, but most importantly to each of our neighbors. May we continue to work together to bring about your reign! We ask this in your holy name, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HCSC ANNUAL FEAST OF SAINT CYPRIAN CELEBRATION:

Our parish will celebrate only **ONE** morning Mass on **Sun., Sept. 15th at 10AM**. We will have 4:30PM Mass on Saturday, and 7PM Mass on Sunday. We are planning a reception on the Church grounds following the 10AM Mass! **We need volunteers** for set-up, serving/clean-up. If you can help with the reception, contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or kpeaks@hscchurch.org.



SUNDAY SCHOOL 2024—25 for youth in pre-K through 12th grade begins on **Sept. 29th**. Our program provides youth with the authentic teachings of the Catholic faith and includes youth who

are preparing to receive Sacraments (*First Communion, Penance and Confirmation*). Contact Shirley Austin, Minister of Religious Education, at mre@hscchurch.org or 202-368-7231. **Registration forms are in the rear of the church. For fillable forms, visit hscchurch.org.**

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! Meeting for Volunteers—Sun., Sept. 1st** following the 11AM Mass in the rectory basement. Stop by if interested in helping. Can't make the meeting? Contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or kpeaks@hscchurch.org.



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 begin this fall (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 sacrament 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: rciahsc@gmail.com. Registration forms in rear of church.



LIVING WITH JESUS IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

During the Year of the Holy Eucharist, our parish sought to root and link all our activities, retreats and functions to Jesus who is present with us in the Holy Eucharist. Our hope was 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 draw others to the realization that *Jesus is here right now!*

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



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



FIRST FRIDAY ALL-DAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Fri., Sept. 6th

We offer all-day Adoration in the Church beginning with Mass at 7AM and continuing until 7PM. You are invited to sign up for an hour or more. **Sign up** by scanning the QR code on the flyer or call the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org. Even if you don't sign-up, stop by and spend a few moments with Jesus. We will offer all-day adoration on the first Friday of each month.





ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES?

The HCSC Ladies of Charity will provide funding to families who have youth who need school supplies or other items (lunch boxes, uniforms, etc.). If you have a need or know of a family (they do not have to be a parishioner), contact the rectory at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org.

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.

MSGR. POPE'S HOMILIES & TEACHINGS are available at msgrpoppe.com. Check out this online resource on the teachings, radio shows, books and much more from Msgr. Charles Pope.



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Deacon James P. Flagg II (jpfaggll@gmail.com)

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

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FIRST FRIDAY ALL-DAY ADORATION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 TH

**MASS AT 7AM FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION AND ADORATION UNTIL
7PM IN THE CHURCH.**

**Our parish will hold First Friday All-Day Adoration every first
Friday of the month. Please share this information along
with the sign-up information to others.**

TO SIGN UP:

**SCAN THE QR CODE OR CONTACT THE RECTORY OFFICE AT 202-546-1885 OR
HCSCSTAFF@HCSCCHURCH.ORG. EVEN IF YOU DO NOT SIGN-UP, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO
STOP BY AT YOUR CONVENIENCE. BRING A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND!**



HOLY COMFORTER-SAINTE CYPRIAN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

In Celebration of
The Feast Day of Saint Cyprian
(actual feast day: September 16th)

&

131st Anniversary of Saint Cyprian Parish
1893-2024



Parish-wide Celebration of Mass
(*One Mass Only*)

Sunday, September 15, 2024
10:00 AM

(No 8AM, 9:30AM or 11AM on Sunday.
The 4:30PM Mass on Saturday & 7PM
on Sunday will be celebrated)

Reverend Monsignor Eddie Tolentino
Guest Celebrant & Homilist
(*Former HCSC Pastor celebrating his 40th
Year Anniversary of Priestly Ordination*)



Reception on plaza in front of the
Church following 10:00AM Mass.
Light refreshments will be available.
VOLUNTEERS are needed. Call rectory at
202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org.

The Church Theme for this year is
'Back to Biblical Basics'



This year we will set our focus on the
Biblical Basics of the Greatest Story Ever
Told. The Scriptures teach us why and
how we exist, what happened to us in
Original Sin and How God, in his great
mercy, has redeemed us and called us
back to Him in newness of life. This will
be a whole-parish catechesis, led by our
pastor, in three stages: Our Fall, Our
Redemption and Our Life of Grace.
A keynote song helps us to understand:

OUR FALL- I once was lost in Sin,
OUR REDEPMTION - But Jesus took me in,
OUR GRACE - And then a little Light from
Heaven Filled my Soul.

*Yes, Just a little talk with Jesus made
me whole!*



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help for two upcoming events hosted by Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian Parish

Feast of Saint Cyprian Mass & Reception

Sun., Sept. 15, 2024
*(following the 11am
Mass - out on the plaza)*

What's needed:

- Planning the menu
- Set-up crew
- Food Servers
- Clean-up

Annual Family & Friends Picnic

Sat., Sept. 21, 2024
Cosca Park, Clinton MD

What's needed:

- Shopping for food & supplies
- Set-up at park
- Food servers
- Assist with games
- General help and clean-up

Contact the rectory office at 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org for questions and to sign-up to help. Thank you!!



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**Hump,
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*We'll always love you,
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