

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Readings This Weekend:

Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23

Readings Next Weekend:

Proverbs 8:22-31 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15



Today is the Feast of Pentecost. The word Pentecost is from the Greek and it means “50” days. It is fifty days since the Lord has Risen from the dead. In the first reading from Acts we see that the Apostles and numerous other disciples along with Mary are gathered together to pray. Up until this time they have been a rather frightened little group. They dared not venture out and speak openly of Jesus for fear of repercussions. In many ways we can be like them. We fear to speak of Jesus and our faith to others. Perhaps they will laugh or perhaps they will rebuke us. It is so easy to stay behind the closed doors of our Church and just witness to each other where it’s safe. But notice that the Holy Spirit came upon this early gathering of disciples and He changed them. They open the doors and they, along with Peter, go forth. Peter preaches a powerful sermon out in the open and that day 3000 are added to their number. Some of us are planning to venture out in the neighborhood. Will you consider being in that number? How will you assist in the evangelization that Jesus commands of us?

FUNERAL—Jamesetta Northington (5/20)



Sunday, May 19 Pentecost Sunday

8:00pm (Sat) Lyndon P. Brown †
 8:00am Reba L. Neale (birthday) †
 11:00am Mary Whitehead †

Monday, May 20 Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest

7:00am Joseph E. Campbell, Jr. (3rd anniversary) †

Tuesday, May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Martyr

7:00am For the People

Wednesday, May 22 Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

7:00am James C. Walker (31st anniversary) †

Thursday, May 23

7:00am Ray Simpson †

Friday, May 24

7:00am Buena Walton (birthday) †

Saturday, May 25 St. Bede the Venerable, Priest; St. Gregory VII, Pope

8:00am Kenyon C. Jones †
 4:30pm Kenyon C. Jones †

MASS INTENTIONS—It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. To offer a Mass in memory of a friend or family, call 202-546-1885. The customary stipend is \$5 per intention.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Sirach 1:1-10 Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday: Sirach 2:1-11 Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday: Sirach 4:11-19 Mark 9:38-40
Thursday: Sirach 5:1-8 Mark 9:41-50
Friday: Sirach 6:5-17 Mark 10:1-12
Saturday: Sirach 17:1-15 Mark 10:13-16

Music Schedule

Proclamation

* “Come Holy Ghost” LMGM #324
 ** “Come Holy Spirit” K. Louis

Responsorial Psalm

“Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth”

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia!”

Offertory

* “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” LMGM #327
 ** “Holy Spirit” R. Smallwood

Communion

“One Bread, One Body” LMGM #760

* 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate
 ** 11:00am Church Choir

Mass Attendance for May 12, 2013

4:30pm	48
8:00am	161
11:00am	269
Total:	478

Stewardship Report 2012—2013

Budgeted Tithes (5/12)	\$778,904
Actual Tithes (5/12)	\$775,166
Difference	-\$3,738

ELECTRONIC TITHING—Have you considered electronic tithing through the **Faith Direct** program here at HCSC? You can have your tithes deducted from your bank account TWICE a month or charged to a credit card. It is a secure, convenient way to support your parish community. Enrollment forms are in the rear of the church, the rectory office, or you can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net. (HCSC church code: DC59). Call Kim Peaks at the rectory office for more information. It’s easy and it’s FREE!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (5/19) 9:30am Ladies of Charity 9:30am Sunday School 9:30am RCIA/Inquirers 3:00pm Afternoon of Jazz 8:00pm AA	Thursday (5/23) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Tuesday (5/21) 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	Friday (5/24) 6:30pm Women’s Ministry 8:00pm NA
Wednesday (5/22) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 7:00pm Bible Study	Saturday (5/25) 10:00am Liturgical Dance 4:30pm Mass

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.

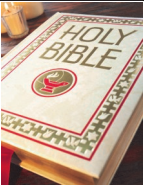
OUR VISION STATEMENT:

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

PARISH LIFE



SOME (So Others Might Eat): Volunteers Needed—HCSC Ministries prepare lunch every 4th Saturday at **SOME, 71 “O” St., NW.** Your cooked chicken is desperately needed (see flyer for recipe). Your non-frozen chicken may be dropped at the rectory by close of business on **Fri., May 24th**. Volunteers are also needed to serve but the most urgent need is donations of prepared chicken. Questions? Contact Earlene Capers 301-910-1763.



BIBLE STUDY TOPICS—Msgr. Pope is offering a Bible study entitled "Catholic Controversies." Ancient biblical and Catholic teachings are considered by many today to be very controversial as our world becomes more secular and distant from biblical teaching. This course addresses some of the most "controversial" Catholic teachings and show their Biblical roots and propose that such teachings are both reasonable and a charitable proclamation of the truth given us by God. The **topic for Wed., May 22nd** is: **“Does the Church really think an all-loving God might send people to Hell? Are all non-Catholics going to hell?”** All are welcome.

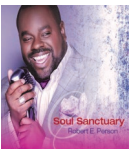
WOMEN’S MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP—on **Fri., May 24th** at the school. Guest speaker is Minister Francese Brooks. Doors open at 6:30pm and refreshments will be served. For more information contact Shirley Austin at 202-368-7231.

PARISH CENSUS FORMS—We’ve been updating our parish membership data. If you are a parishioner and did not complete a parish census form in the last couple of weeks, pick one up in the rear of the church or the rectory. Give your completed form to an usher or drop it off at the rectory.

NEW HCSC WEBSITE—We have a newly designed website that allow us the ability to provide more information and flexibility. Some of the areas are still being developed but you can visit it at www.hcscchurch.org. It should be active by Monday, May 20th. **We need parishioners to help with some of the maintenance and design. It is not a long term commitment but just a little assistance now and then. Contact Kim Peaks at pam@hcscchurch.org.**

ANNUAL FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST—sponsored by the Holy Name Society on **Sun., June 16th** from **9am—11am** at the school. **Cost: \$7** per person. Tickets available from any Holy Name member and the rectory office.

“100 Questions & Answers on the Catholic Faith” by Msgr. Pope. Pick up a copy in the rear of the church. These are reprints of articles written by Msgr. Pope for *Our Sunday Visitor*. If we run out, more will be available next week.



ROBERT E. PERSON’S NEW MUSIC VIDEO RELEASED—Our very own Robert E. Person sings “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” in-studio and in a lovely setting here at HCSC. To view it, go to: www.roberteperson.com and click on the video link on the right. Copies of his CD “Soul Sanctuary” are available in our Candlelight store or the rectory office.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
202-546-1885 ext. 25 (voicemail) ❖ youthdirector@hcscchurch.org

CONGRATULATIONS and a WARM WELCOME—to our newest Altar Servers, Anthony Hill and Richard Scott. Richard will serve his very first Mass this weekend.

SOME, Inc.—the Youth Ministry will perform its monthly community service on **Sat., May 25th**, at SOME, Inc. at **71 “O” St., NW, from 10am—1pm**. Youth 13 years or older who are interested should contact Nicki Gebrehiwot.

HONORING HCSC GRADUATES—If you are a registered member of HCSC and graduating in June 2013 from middle/high school, college or graduate school you will be honored at the **11am Mass on June 23rd**. Pick up a flyer from the back of the church or the rectory.

“JOIN GOD’S ARMY—Annual JAMMIN’ 4 JESUS event **Sat., June 8th** at Mt. Calvary Catholic Church. Stay tuned for info!

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster ❖ YAM@hcscchurch.org

HCSC has a **Young Adult Ministry** for parishioners age 18 to 40^{ish}. We would like to hear from you! Tell us what types of activities and events you would like to see at HCSC. Check out the *Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Young Adults Ministry* on Facebook and let us know your thoughts or send an email.



15th ANNUAL WOMEN’S MINISTRY RETREAT—is **November 15-17, 2013** at Bon Secours Spiritual Center in Marriottsville, MD. Cost—\$340 per person—includes round-trip transportation, private room, and all meals. This year’s theme, **“Our Awesome Journey Continues”** facilitated by Sister Anita Baird. For info, call June Holton-Johnson (301-529-7114) or Bertha Colbert(202-577-6688).



2013 HCSC PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO—join Msgr. Pope on an 8-day pilgrimage, **October 8th-15th, 2013** to Mexico. Trip includes a visit to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Base cost is \$1,799 per person if a deposit of \$500 is paid **before June 30th**. Pick up a brochure in the rear of the church for more information.

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If you want to know more about our parish community or are interested in joining, call the rectory at 202-546-1885 or hcscstaff@hcscchurch.org.

Mass Schedule: Monday thru Friday at 7:00am (Chapel)
Saturday at 8:00am (Chapel) and 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am and 11:00am

Office Hours: Mon thru Wed 9am—8pm, Thurs 9am-5pm; Fri 9am-8pm; Sat, 9am—1pm; and Sun 9am—2:pm.

For information on baptism, matrimony and sick calls, contact the rectory.

Parish Connections—Visit our Parish-related links and websites and spread the word:

Fr. Pope’s Sermons online: www.frpope.com
Fr. Pope’s Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>