

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13 Gal 2:16, 19-21 Luke 7:36—8:3

Readings Next Weekend:

Zec 12:10-11, 13:1 Gal 3:26-29 Luke 9:18-24



Every now and then it will be said by some that the Church should speak less of sin and emphasize more positive things. It is said that honey attracts more flies than vinegar. Of course, now that we have been de-emphasizing sin to a large degree for more than forty years, despite predictions our churches have been getting emptier and emptier. Maybe this is because people are a little more complicated than the “flies” in the old saying. Jesus gives the reason in today’s Gospel as to why our churches are getting emptier. Simply put there is less love. He says, But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little. (Luke 7:47) Why is there less love? As Jesus says, there is less love because there is less appreciation of what the Lord has done for us and the debt paid for us. Because debt of sin is no longer preached as it should be we are less aware of just how grave our condition is. Thus we under-appreciate what the Lord has done for us. This in turn diminishes love and a lack of love leads to absence and neglect. Understanding sin is essential for us to understand what the Lord has done for us. Remembering what the Lord has done for us brings gratitude and love. To those who want the Church to de-emphasize sin Jesus warns, But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little. (Luke 7:47)



Sunday, June 16

4:30pm (Sat) For the People
 8:00am Julian Brown (birthday) †
 11:00am Welky Barbosa (19th anniversary) †

Monday, June 17

7:00am Linda Simpson (birthday 5/31)

Tuesday, June 18

7:00am Jaylen Worthy

Wednesday, June 19 *Saint Romuald, Abbot*

7:00am Ralph & Eleanor Brown †

Thursday, June 20

7:00am Delores Washington †

Friday, June 21 *Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious*

7:00am For the People

Saturday, June 22 *Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas More, Martyrs*

8:00am Deborah A. Jones †

4:30pm Mary C. Jackson

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: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 Matthew 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 Matthew 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11 Matthew 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30 Matthew 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 Matthew 6:24-34

Music Schedule

Processional
 “O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing” LMGM #438
Responsorial Psalm
 “Lord, for the wrong I have done”
Gospel Acclamation
 “Alleluia!”
Offertory
 “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling” LMGM #769
 “Even Me” arr. M. Reid/K. Louis
Communion
 “Do This in Remembrance of Me” LMGM #763
 *8:00am *Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate*
 **11:00am *Church Choir*

Mass Attendance for June 9, 2013

4:30pm 48
 8:00am 138
 11:00am 277
Total: 463

Stewardship Report 2012—2013

Budgeted Tithes (6/9)	\$846,635
Actual Tithes (6/9)	\$838,184
Difference	-\$8,451

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!

LOST & FOUND—An assortment of unclaimed items have been found after Mass. If you have been looking for that hat, umbrella, scarf, belt, set of keys, eyeglasses, eyeglass case, child’s bracelet, graduation robe, even those flip flops you might like to take a minute to see if it was turned in to the rectory office.



THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (6/16) 9:00am Father’s Day Breakfast 9:30am RICA/Inquirers 8:00pm AA	Wednesday (6/19) 6:30pm Senior Usher Board
Monday (6/17) 7:00pm Finance Council meeting	Friday (6/21) 8:00pm NA
Tuesday (6/18) 7:00pm Adult Choir	Saturday (6/22) 10:30am Altar Servers Training 10:30am Sodality Orientation 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

Father's Day Prayer

Thank you Lord for sending me a husband, father, step-father, uncle, grandfather, who is righteous, who sees your loving hand in everything. A man who's filled with passion and with purpose. Whose faith stays strong whatever life may bring. A man who keeps his promises sincerely, a man who shows he knows his family's worth. I thank you Lord, for sending me a man who makes our life a heaven here on earth. For everything you are to us, for everything you do, we love you.



CONGRATULATIONS—to Anthony & Ethel Woodson (40 yrs), Charles & Judith Rodney (40 yrs), Cyprian & Susan Jenifer (40 yrs), Bruce & Maureen Normann (30 yrs), Deacon Kevin & Elizabeth Butler (25 yrs), Gershon & Kimberly

Peaks (25 yrs) who will receive recognition from Cardinal Donald Wuerl on **Sunday, June 16th** at the archdiocesan-wide **Jubilarian Mass Celebration for Married Couples** at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Mass begins at **2pm**. All are invited. Pictures of the happily wedded couples are in the rear of the church.

CONGRATULATIONS AND HAPPY RETIREMENT to Ethel Woodson! Not only is Ethel and her husband Tony celebrating 40 years of marriage this year but she is retiring after 20 years as an elementary school guidance counselor with the Loudoun County Public School. Best wishes!



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., June 21st**. Questions? Contact Earlene Capers 301-910-1763.

2013 HCSC PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO—join Msgr. Pope on an 8-day pilgrimage, **Oct. 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 and attend an *Informational Meet & Greet Session* on **June 23rd at 1pm** in the rectory basement.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—the summer schedule will be issued at the end of June. **It's important that we know of your travel plans.** Contact Jimmye Walker at 202-546-1885 or jjwalker@hscchurch.org with your travel plans.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY—HCSC will host our Annual Family Vacation Bible School on **Wednesdays in August at 6:30pm at the school**. Sessions are planned for every age group from youth to adults and dinner will be served. Stay tuned for details!

Youth Ministry News

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


ALTAR SERVERS—Special Meeting, Training, and Cook-out on **Sat., June 22nd from 10:30am to 3:30pm** in the rectory basement. If you need to exchange your current robe please return your current robe that day. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. RSVP by **Wed., June 19th** to the rectory on 202-546-1885 or hscstaff@hscchurch.org.

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**. See flyer in rear of church or rectory office to register by June 19th.

END OF THE YEAR YOUTH TRIP—**Sat., July 27th** to Hershey Park! See flyer in rear of church or rectory office for details and permission slip.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster ❖ YAM@hscchurch.org

HCSC has formed 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. 



JUST A REMINDER: Please turn off or silence all cell phones and electronic devices during Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP—**Sat., June 22nd from 10am until 12noon** at the Center City Public Charter School, Petworth Campus, 510 Webster St., NW, WDC. Learn new ideas to recruit, train, monitor and retain parish volunteers for your parish ministry. Light snacks will be available, Contact Kathy Haines at 202-772-4343 or Katherine.Haines@CatholicCharitiesDC.org for info.

YEAR OF FAITH LECTURE SERIES—Join Cardinal Wuerl on **Wed., June 26th at 7pm** at the John Paul II Center for the fifth installment of the Year of Faith lecture series. This free lecture is entitled *"Pope Francis and the New Evangelization"*. Cardinal Wuerl will touch on his role in the conclave, some personal stories about our new Pontiff, and how Pope Francis is already answering the call of the New Evangelization. Call Kevin Smith at 202-635-5437 with questions.

VACATION TIME IS HERE—Whether you stay at home or travel, it is our hope and prayer that you and your family will enjoy yourself, get some much needed rest for your mind and body, and enrich yourself physically and spiritually. The time spent on vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments of course. No matter where you are, make every effort to join in the celebration of Mass. We should remember to always keep the Lord's day sacred. What better time to pray in thanksgiving than while you are resting and recreating? Visit www.masstimes.org for Mass times and locations around the country. 