

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10

Readings Next Weekend:

2 Kings 5:14-17 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19



The reading today gives us **Five Facets of Faith**. The first is **WALK** – The apostles today, convicted at how small their faith is, ask for an increase of faith. They know they’re crawling and they ask to walk. Faith is not just something we have or don’t have, it is something in which we grow. We begin by crawling but we are asked to grow and mature. Eventually, we are called to walk and run the race set before us. The second facet is **WAIT** – the prophet Habakkuk cries out for deliverance and is told by God to wait, for the vision still has its time. But the vindication will come and it will not disappoint. And so it is for us that we must learn at times to wait on the Lord and not lose hope or courage. The next facet is to **WITHSTAND** – St. Paul tells Timothy to bear his share of the hardships of the Gospel with the strength that comes from God. There are hardships in this life but God gives us strength to withstand. Next, we must **WORK** – Jesus speaks rather bluntly that we are required to work and that we shouldn’t do so simply for praise and reward, we should do it because it is expected of the disciple. The final facet is **WIN** – We are not just asked to work, withstand, wait and walk for no reason. We are doing these things so as to win. God is moving us somewhere and if we faithfully follow him, glory and victory will be our end.



Sunday, October 6

4:30pm (Sat) Sharon Goodson (birthday)
8:00am For the People
11:00am Anthony Whitlock (birthday 10/4)

Monday, October 7 *Our Lady of the Rosary*

7:00am Glendora Thomas & sons †

Tuesday, October 8

7:00am Alice Thornton (28th anniversary) †

Wednesday, October 9 *St Denis, Bishop, Martyr; St John Leonardi, Priest*

7:00am Margaret Gordon †

Thursday, October 10

7:00am Frances D. Campbell (birthday) †

Friday, October 11

7:00am Richard Edelen (birthday)

Saturday, October 12

8:00am Florence G. Queenan †
4:30pm Rashida Brown (birthday 10/11)

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

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Jonah 1:1—2:2, 11 Luke 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jonah 3:1-10 Luke 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jonah 4:1-11 Luke 11:1-4
Thursday: Malachi 3:13-20 Luke 11:5-13
Friday: Joel 1:13-15, 2:1-2 Luke 11:15-26
Saturday: Joel 4:12-21 Luke 11:27-28

Music Schedule

Processional
“How Firm a Foundation!” LMGM #555
Responsorial Psalm
“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts”
Gospel Acclamation
“Alleluia!”
Offertory
* “Rejoice the Lord is King” LMGM #349
** “Since I Met Jesus” arr. by K. Louis
Communion
“Glorious Is the Name of Jesus” LMGM #374
* 8:00am *Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate*
** 11:00am *Church Choir*

Mass Attendance for September 29, 2013

4:30pm 52
8:00am 132
11:00am 272
Total: 456

Stewardship Report 2013—2014

Actual Tithes (9/29)	\$13,552
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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 (10/6) 9:30am RCIA/Inquirers 9:30am Sunday School 8:00pm AA	Thursday (10/10) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus
Tuesday (10/8) 6:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	Friday (10/11) 6:30pm Liturgical Dance 8:00pm NA
Wednesday (10/9) 11:00am Friendly Seniors 6:30pm Liturgical Dancers	Saturday (10/12) 12 noon Annual Parish Picnic 4:30pm Mass

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

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



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

TRAVELING MERCIES—for Msgr. Pope, Deacon Butler, and the HCSC parishioners while on pilgrimage to Guadalupe from **Oct. 8-15**. Please pray for our pilgrims as they journey to seek graces.



HAPPY 50th ANNIVERSARY—to **William and Betty Ward**. Our parish community wishes you both a future filled with blessings and an abundance of grace.

SODALIATY—meets the first Sunday of each month beginning with the Rosary at 7:30am. This Sunday, our new Sodality members will be received after 8am Mass. We invite the congregation to remain for this ceremony. Then we will meet at the school. All are welcome to attend.

YOUTH SUNDAY NEXT SUNDAY—Every second Sunday we celebrate our parish youth at the 11am Mass. We invite all our youth to come and sit together at Mass next week. You are welcome to bring a friend!

CANNED GOODS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND—Especially during the Federal government furlough when those less fortunate are facing an even greater need, we invite you to bring nutritious and non-perishable high protein foods (canned meats, stews, tuna, fruit, peanut butter) to Mass to restock our food pantry. If you are unable to donate canned goods, please consider supporting this effort by donating to any Poor Box located near the exits.

LEARN ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH—Classes begin **Sun., Oct. 6th** for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. Classes are intended for non-Catholics interested in becoming Catholic. This includes adult Catholics who have missed either First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Call Msgr. Pope at 202-546-1885 for details.

Our **ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY & FRIENDS PICNIC** is **Sat., Oct. 12th** at Cosca Park in Clinton, MD. Please see flier for details. Contact Annette Brooks at 202-361-4699 for more info.



FALL EVANGELIZATION OUTREACH CAMPAIGN—begins **Sat., Oct. 19th** for four consecutive Saturdays. All (including youth) are invited to come and walk the neighborhoods around the Church and spread the **Good News!** Sign-up forms are available in your bulletin and the rectory. If you are interested in becoming a part of this uplifting and spiritual experience be sure to register as a **Walker, Prayer, or Cooker**. You do not have to commit to all four days but maybe for 1 or 2 of the scheduled dates.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS BEGUN—for youth pre-K-12th grade. Registration forms available in rear of church, in the rectory, and on the website. The curriculum is also on our website: www.hscchurch.org. For details contact Shirley Austin at 202-546-1885 or mre@hscchurch.org.

SANCTUARY FLOOR CLEANING ALMOST COMPLETE—We appreciate your patience while the sanctuary floor is being polished. If your favorite pew is effected, please enjoy Mass with other members of your faith community in a different pew.

Youth Ministry News

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

THANKS—to all the youth and parents who attended the "Jamin-4-Jesus" Mass and After Party last weekend. Stay tuned for future events.

CALLING ALL YOUTH!!! We have much to offer our youth at HCSC—*youth ushers, liturgical dancers, altar servers, youth cantors/readers and youth choir*. Come and join us. Contact Mrs. Gebrehiwot if you are interested.


HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

THANKS—to all who came out for the **Grace Card** movie day. If you missed it, we'll do it again soon!

2nd ANNUAL "COATS OF MANY COLORS" COAT DRIVE coming soon! More details to come, so start collecting your unwanted coats.

We would like to hear from you our young adults (age 18 to 40^{ish})! 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.

 **Do you Tweet?** Follow us on Twitter for updates at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)



YOUNG ADULT MASS & AFTER PARTY—with Cardinal Wuerl on **Thurs., Oct. 24th at 6:30pm** at Saint Augustine's Catholic Church. After-Party with live music until 10pm is **FREE!** Go to welovecardinalwuerl.eventbrite.com to register. Learn more at [Facebook.com/DCCatholic](https://www.facebook.com/DCCatholic). Interested in joining the event choir, contact: Maria McKenzie: maria.mcknz@gmail.com.

41th ANNIVERSARY CHOIR CONCERT—**Sun., Oct. 27th, at 4pm**. The theme is **"Thanks Be To Thee"**. Tickets available from any Choir member or in the rectory office for \$20. Instructions for submitting program ads are located on the back of the flyer in the rear of the church. **DEADLINE for submitting an ad for the program is Sun. Oct., 6th.**

MINISTRY & ORGANIZATION CALENDARS—All chairs should have received this year's calendar submission forms in person or via email. Submit your completed calendars to the rectory office as soon as possible or via hscstaff@hscchurch.org. Please note **the new calendar began Oct. 1, 2013 and ends Sept. 30, 2014**. Contact Kim Peaks at pam@hscchurch.org or 202-546-1885 for info.

"TEA TIME" with THE OBLATE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE—All are invited to a traditional Fall Tea Party **Sat., Oct. 19th, 11:30am—3:30pm** at The Oblate Sisters of Providence Motherhouse. **Tickets: \$35 per person**. For details call 1-410-242-8500 or 1-410-242-6861. You can also contact Kim Peaks in the rectory office at 202-546-1885.

THE WORD AMONG US—offers encouragement to read the Word of God and offers daily meditations based on the Mass readings to help Catholics find genuine renewal and refreshment in God's grace. The **October issue is now available** in the Candlelight Store for \$2. *Limited supply!*