

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 2 Cor 8:7-9, 13-15 Mark 5:21-43

Readings Next Weekend:

Ezekiel 2:2-5 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6



The Gospel today presents the Prevailing Power of Persistent Faith. Notice first the **Trial** of the Synagogue official named Jairus. His daughter is near death. But, praise the Lord, his trial brings him to Jesus. So do our trials if we let them. Next, notice the **Tarrying** (or delay) of Jesus. He could have just dispatched a blessing like he did in other places but he insists on going the long journey to Jairus' house. Jairus needs to make a journey of faith and Jesus makes it with him! Next, notice the **Testimony**. God supplies a witness. On the way they encounter a woman with a hemorrhage who has enough faith that all she needs to do is touch Jesus' garment to get well. Are you paying attention Jairus? She is giving you testimony! Jesus stops to make sure Jairus has learned that it is faith that has healed the woman. Well, all this delay means the little girl has died by now. So next notice the **Temptation**. People in the crowd are wailing and telling him his daughter is dead. The world sees no hope. But notice the **Trust** that Jesus demands. He says to Jairus, "Do not be afraid, just have faith!" Finally, there is the **Triumph**. The little girl comes forth alive! And, as she came out she was singing a gospel song. (And, I have it on the best authority) that the song was "I'm so Glad Jesus Lifted Me!" So, there it is the prevailing power of persistent faith.

FUNERAL—Maurice Young (July 2nd)



Sunday, June 28

4:30pm (Sat) Joseph Bailey †
 8:00am Joan M. Graham †
 11:00am For the Intentions of Deacon Charles Edelin
 7:00pm

Monday, June 29 *Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles*

7:00am Victims of the Charleston, SC massacre

Tuesday, June 30 *The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*

7:00am †

Wednesday, July 1 *Blessed Junípero Serra, Priest*

7:00am Josephine Aloï † (birthday)

Thursday, July 2

7:00am For the Intentions of Major "Cowboy"

Friday, July 3 *Saint Thomas, Apostle*

7:00am †

Saturday, July 4

8:00am For the People

4:30pm For the Intentions of the Richards Family

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Acts 12:1-11 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Genesis 19:15-29 Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday: Genesis 21:5, 8-20 Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday: Genesis 22:1-19 Matthew 9:1-8

Friday: Ephesians 2:19-22 John 20:24-29

Saturday: Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29 Matthew 9:14-17

Music Schedule

Processional "He Has Done Great Things for Me" LMGM #635

Responsorial Psalm "I will praise you Lord for you have rescued me"

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia!"

Offertory "Amazing Grace" LMGM #495

Communion "Bless the Lord" LMGM #451

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

Mass Attendance for June 21, 2015

4:30pm	54
8:00am	116
11:00am	245
7:00pm	49
Total:	464

Stewardship Report 2014—2015

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (6/21)	\$15,434
Actual Deficit (-)	-\$912

CARDINAL'S APPEAL—We are significantly behind in pledges this year for the Cardinal's Appeal. As of last week we are at only 68% of our goal. 123 donors have pledged \$16,616. A snowy month during February really set us back. Please consider making a pledge today toward our goal of \$34,475. A pledge envelope can be obtained from an usher or at the tables in the back.

ELECTRONIC TITHING—What is the best way to ensure your parish receives the support needed for our operating expenses and ministries during the busy summer months? *eGiving* through Faith Direct! Enroll today by visiting www.faithdirect.net or call Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885. Our church code is DC59. Increased enrollment with Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances during the coming summer months when many families are away on vacation. Thank you for your continued support!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (6/28) 7:00pm Mass 8:00pm AA	Wednesday (7/1) 7:00pm Bible Study
Monday (6/29) 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	Friday (7/3) Rectory Office Closed 8:00pm NA
Tuesday (6/30) 6:30pm Older Youth Ensemble 7:00pm Adult Choir	Saturday (7/4) 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



RECTORY CLOSED—on **Thurs., July 2nd, Fri., July 3rd, and Sat., July 4th** in observance of Independence Day. Because of the extended office closure please contact the office early in the week if you are in need of administrative assistance. Enjoy your holiday weekend.



BLOOD DRIVE—The HCSC Sodality along with the American Red Cross is sponsoring its semi-annual Blood Drive on **Sun., July 12th**, in the rectory basement. The Blood Drive will begin after the 8am Mass and continue until 2pm. **Registration available following each Mass.** Please invite friends and family to participate in this life saving

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY—HCSC will host its Annual Family Vacation Bible School on Wednesdays starting **July 29th thru August 19th at 6:30pm** in the school cafeteria. Light dinner will be served so you must register with the rectory. Stay tuned for more details.

CANDLELIGHT STORE FEATURED ITEM OF THE MONTH

This spring the Wednesday night bible study read *Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About Heaven* by Peter Kreeft which provides a look at the nature of heaven that offers a refreshingly clear, theologically sound, and always fascinating glimpse of that "undiscovered country." Copies are available in the Candlelight Store for \$13. Get a copy today for your summer reading.



SAVE THE DATE—Homecoming for all students and teachers of all past and present programs and schools of the **Oblate Sisters of Providence, Sun., August 2nd**, at Our Lady of Mount Providence, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, MD. Enjoy the day and bring friends and classmates. For more information call Sr. Helene Therese on 1-410-536-5687.

THE WORD AMONG US—July issues are available in the Candlelight Store for \$2 each. This publication is designed to help Catholics find genuine renewal and refreshment in God's grace, encouragement to read the Word of God, and offers daily meditations based on the Mass readings. *Limited supply!*

CATHOLIC & AMERICAN, PROUD TO BE BOTH! A Trio of Holy Hours—In support of the U.S. Bishops' **Fortnight for Freedom 2015**, at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. Three evenings (**June 29—July 1 from 8-9 pm**) of Eucharistic Adoration & Prayer asking for God's Mercy & the Healing of Our Culture. Each evening will include: Eucharistic Adoration; a short reflection led a guest speaker; Divine Mercy Chaplet; Benediction, and Opportunities for Confession. This is a **FREE** event, but to help prepare, you are asked to register at www.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301-365-0612.

Youth Ministry News

Nicki Gebrehiwot, Director of Youth Ministry
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins July 29th and we will have sessions for our youth from grades pre-k to 12th. Please plan on attending with your family.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hcschurch.org

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets every Monday evening at 8pm in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at sakeene@gmail.com.

We'd like to hear from our young adults (age 18 to 40^{ish})! Tell us what activities interest you. Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** and tell us your thoughts, or send an email: yam@hcschurch.org. Follow us on Twitter for updates at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)

TEN—DAY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, PORTUGAL, SPAIN, and LOURDES, FRANCE—Our parish is preparing to go on pilgrimage in **October of 2015**. **Pick up a brochure** in the rear of the church, in the rectory office, or contact Deborah Vanzego on 202-277-1823 or DVanzego@cmht.com for more information and cost details.



SUMMER ORGAN RECITAL SERIES—at the National Shrine every Sunday, **July through August, at 6pm**. Performances are held in the Upper Church. No charge for admission, but a free will offering will be accepted. The Basilica is located at 400 Michigan Ave. NE, with free parking (walking distance from Brookland-CUA Station on Metro's Red Line). For information call 202-526-8300 or visit: www.nationalshrine.com/music.

FRANCISCAN MONASTERY NEWSLETTER—Read *The Monastery Monthly*, the digital newsletter for the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land at <http://www.myfranciscan.org/wp-content/Digital-Editions/6-June2015>. This monthly publication explains the history of shrines, highlights events happening at the Franciscan Monastery, shares recipes using biblical herbs found in the gardens, displays products for sale that directly help Christians in the Holy Land when bought, and MUCH MORE! Interact with us! For more info contact Friar John Sebastian (202-526-6800).

VACATION TIME IS HERE—Time spent on vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments. If you go away from home you can visit DiscoverMass.com to see our parish information, bulletins, and also find a local Mass. Whether you stay home or travel, it is our hope and prayer that you enjoy yourself, get some rest for your mind and body, and enrich yourself physically and spiritually. We are always to keep the Lord's day sacred.

PARISH CONNECTIONS—Visit our Parish-related links and websites and spread the word:
Parish Website: www.hcschurch.org
Fr. Pope's Sermons online: www.frpope.com
Fr. Pope's Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>

