

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Readings This Weekend:**

Amos 7:12-15      Ephesians 1:3-14      Mark 6:7-13

**Readings Next Weekend:**

Jeremiah 23:1-6      Ephesians 2:13-18      Mark 6:30-34



The Lord gives us a kind of Education for Evangelizers in today's gospel. First there is a **SENDING** wherein he appoints them to the task and sends them out in pairs with authority to cast out demons. Note that we don't restrict this description to priests or clergy. Parents surely have an evangelical task to their children, as do elders, teachers, co-workers and friends. Note, too, that the task is not a solo task, we do well to work in pairs and groups. And we can cast out demons of ignorance, sin and foolishness in others by both word and good example. Next, note that he counsels **SIMPLICITY** by telling them to travel light. We too, do well to heed the call to greater simplicity for most of us have lives that are cluttered, complex and compromised. We have to get free of the world in order to evangelize well. Next, he counsels **STABILITY** telling them to find a house and stay there. We, too, do well to stay in our lane, stay close to home, and develop stable and lasting relationships that are the most fertile ground for true evangelization. Next, Jesus establishes them in **SURETY** for too often we allow the ridicule or rejection of others to throw us off track. Jesus says, we ought to expect this and not let it rile us. We are to stay sure in the message and the teachings of the faith. Finally, Jesus gives the **SUBSTANCE** of the message which is repentance unto healing and salvation. Don't make things too complicated. The essential message is a call to recognize that our biggest problem is our sin and that Jesus is able to heal.



**Sunday, July 12**

4:30pm (Sat) Deceased Richards Family Members  
 8:00am Joan M. Graham †  
 11:00am For the Intentions of Deacon Charles Edelin  
 7:00pm For Intentions of Newly Ordained Diaconate

**Monday, July 13** *Saint Henry*

7:00am Joan M. Graham † (birthday)

**Tuesday, July 14** *Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

7:00am Charlena D. Addison † (birthday)

**Wednesday, July 15** *Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

7:00am For the Intentions of the Sick & Homebound

**Thursday, July 16** *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

7:00am For the Intentions of Caregivers

**Friday, July 17**

7:00am For the Intentions of the Mentally Challenged

**Saturday, July 18** *Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest*

8:00am For the People  
 4:30pm Deacon Robert Berry †

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**Monday:** Exodus 1:8-14, 22      Matthew 10:34—11:1  
**Tuesday:** Exodus 2:1-15      Matthew 11:20-24  
**Wednesday:** Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12      Matthew 11:25-27  
**Thursday:** Exodus 3:13-20      Matthew 11:28-30  
**Friday:** Exodus 11:10—12:14      Matthew 12:1-8  
**Saturday:** Exodus 12:37-42      Matthew 12:14-21

**Music Schedule**

**Processional**  
 "Order My Steps" LMGM #527

**Responsorial Psalm**  
 "Lord let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation"

**Gospel Acclamation**  
 "Alleluia!"

**Offertory**  
 \* "Here I Am Lord" LMGM #643  
 \*\* "With My Whole Heart" L. Roberts

**Communion**  
 "Taste and See" LMGM #750

\* 8:00am *Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate*  
 \*\* 11:00am *Youth Ensemble – L'Tanya Holley, Choir Coordinator*

**Mass Attendance for July 5, 2015**

4:30pm	41
8:00am	92
11:00am	260
7:00pm	71
<b>Total:</b>	<b>464</b>

**Stewardship Report 2015—2016**

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (7/5)	\$17,492
Actual Surplus (+)	+ \$1,146

**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](http://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**

<b>Sunday (7/12)</b> 9:30am Holy Name meeting 7:00pm Mass	<b>Wednesday (7/15)</b> 7:00pm Bible Study
<b>Monday (7/13)</b> 6:30pm Finance Council mtg 8:00pm YAM Bible Study	<b>Friday (7/17)</b> 8:00pm AA
<b>Tuesday (7/14)</b> 7:00pm Adult Choir	<b>Saturday (7/18)</b> 4:30pm Mass

**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.

**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**

**YOUTH SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND**—We celebrate our parish youth every second Sunday at the 11am Mass. All youth are invited to sit together in front of the clergy. Parents are welcome to sit with their children.

**CANNED FOOD COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**—Your contribution of canned food is severely needed to replenish our food pantry. Every second Sunday, we invite you to bring nutritious non-perishable high protein foods (**canned meats, stews, tuna, peanut butter, fruit and vegetables**) to Mass. If you did not bring any canned goods this week, please give to the Poor Box located on the wall near the exits since the funds support this effort.

 **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**—Thanks to all who supported our annual Father's Day Breakfast. Because of your support, the Breakfast was a tremendous success. Enjoy your summer.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE FAMILY**—starts **July 29<sup>th</sup> thru August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in the school cafeteria. A light dinner will be served, so you must register with the rectory (202-546-1885). The theme this year is **"Pope-Pourri—A Biblical study of the Pope and his role in the Church."** We will explore biblical texts that show how the Office of Peter (the Pope) was established by Jesus; how Peter and his successors advanced the faith; and, in the Acts of the Apostles, how they lived out their faith. We will also examine bible texts that set forth the authority of Peter and his successors to teach and govern, and we will spend time considering the problems that arise in denominations where there is no Pope or Papal authority.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**—We really need your help this summer coordinating and serving the food and to set-up for the Vacation Bible School (VBS). **PLEASE** consider donating an hour or two for one or more of the nights (*Wednesday evenings - July 29—Aug 19*). Contact Kim Peaks at 202-546-1885 or [pam@hscchurch.org](mailto:pam@hscchurch.org)



 **HCSC FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**—The next featured film is **"Do You Believe?"** on **Sat., July 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm** in the school cafeteria. This film was released in theatres last fall. Refreshments will be served and more youth-oriented movies will be shown for young children in the Youth Room. **Reserve your seat:** call 202-546-1885 or email [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org).

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, PORTUGAL, SPAIN, and LOURDES, FRANCE**—HCSC parish is preparing to go on a 10-day pilgrimage in **October 2015. To date, we have a total of 41 individuals signed up to go with us.** This is the largest group we have ever had participate on a pilgrimage. If interested in joining us, pick up a brochure in rear of church or rectory office. Contact Deborah Vanzego at [DVanzego@cmht.com](mailto:DVanzego@cmht.com) or 202-277-1823.



**Youth Ministry News**

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

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** begins July 29<sup>th</sup> and we will have sessions for our youth from grades pre-k to 12<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on attending with your family.

**HCSC Young Adult Ministry**

**Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller** ♦ [YAM@hscchurch.org](mailto:YAM@hscchurch.org)

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY**—meets every Monday evening at 8pm in the rectory. For info contact Stephanie Keene at [sakeene@gmail.com](mailto:sakeene@gmail.com).

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

**SAVE THE DATE**—Homecoming for all students and teachers of past and present programs and schools of the **Oblate Sisters of Providence, Sun., Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at Our Lady of Mount Providence, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, MD. Bring friends and classmates. For info call Sr. Helene Therese on 410-536-5687.



**FAITH DAY OF BASEBALL AT NATIONALS PARK**

—on **Sat., Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:05pm** as the Washington Nationals take on the **Miami Marlins**.

Stay after the game for a special presentation of Nationals players testimonials and a **FREE** Postgame Concert featuring area church choirs, player testimonials, and discounted ticket packages! If interested in significantly discounted tickets contact Ms. Jimmye Claire Walker in the rectory office on 202-546-1885. Flyer in rear of the church.

**Become A Shelter Hospitality Volunteer**—From now through September, you are cordially invited to spend one evening a week at one of Catholic Charities' 3 low-barrier shelters for men who are homeless. Our shelters are clean, safe places where people without homes can spend the night. You can assist our professional staff from 6:30-8:30pm when residents check in, to assign beds, distribute linens and toiletries, serve dinner, distribute mail, and most importantly, offer a friendly respite. For more details, go to: [www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/Become-a-Volunteer](http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/Become-a-Volunteer), or email [volunteer@CatholicCharitiesdc.org](mailto:volunteer@CatholicCharitiesdc.org).

**VACATION TIME IS HERE**—Time spent on vacation does not exclude Mass and the sacraments. As you travel 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, rest your mind and body, and enrich yourself physically and spiritually. We are to always keep the Lord's day sacred.

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

- Parish Website: [www.hscchurch.org](http://www.hscchurch.org)
- Fr. Pope's Sermons online: [www.frpope.com](http://www.frpope.com)
- Fr. Pope's Blog: <http://blog.adw.org>

