

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings This Weekend:

Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45

Readings Next Weekend:

Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52



In the Gospel today the Lord reminds us that glory, and many of the things we value most, come at the cost of sacrifice, of the cross. Note three stages of the teaching: **Misplaced Priorities**—the Gospel opens with James and John approaching the Lord with an inept question, even a demand. “Grant that in your glory, we may sit, one at your right, and the other at your left.” They exhibit little understanding that prior to honors comes labor, comes the earning of it. Their priorities are misplaced. They want a crown but without the cross. And that leads to the **Major Price**—the Lord Jesus, replies to them, “You do not know what you are asking! Can you drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” Those who finally do attain to leadership, often know what cross it is. It can be lonely, there are many pressures, often there are many long hours, and the heavy weight of a sense of responsibility. **Medicinal Prescription**—the other apostles join in the confusion, becoming indignant that James and John tried to get special dubs on the seats of honor. He says that the greatest in the kingdom is the servant of all, indeed, the slave of all. Is this plain enough? It is not those who sit at the head of the table, even those who sit at the foot of the table, nor any place at the table. The greatest are those who wait on the table, who serve.

FUNERALS—Mark Mason (10/13)
Mary Shaw (10/21)
Doris Middleton (10/23)



Sunday, October 18
4:30pm (Sat) Antonia Contreras †
8:00am Sharon Lewis (birthday)
11:00am Francis & Beatrice Perry †
7:00pm Antonia Contreras †
Monday, October 19 *Ss. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Martyrs*
7:00am Charles H. Kittrell † (2nd anniversary)
Tuesday, October 20 *Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest*
7:00am Catherine E. Graham †
Wednesday, October 21
7:00am Charles & Marie Brawner †
Thursday, October 22 *Saint John Paul II, Pope*
7:00am James Clyde Walker † (birthday)
Friday, October 23 *Saint John of Capistrano, Priest*
7:00am Catherine E. Graham †
Saturday, October 24 *Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop*
8:00am For the People
4:30pm Antonia Contreras †

MASS INTENTIONS—Contact the Rectory Office at 202-546-1885 if you want to place a Mass Intention.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday: Romans 4:20-25 Luke 12:13-21
Tuesday: Romans 5:12, 15-21 Luke 12:35-38
Wednesday: Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48
Thursday: Romans 6:19-23 Luke 12:49-53
Friday: Romans 7:18-25 Luke 12:54-59
Saturday: Romans 8:1-11 Luke 13:1-9

Music Schedule

Processional
“Yes, God is Real” LMGM #226
Responsorial Psalm
“Lord let your mercy be on us as we place our trust in you”
Gospel Acclamation
“Alleluia!”
Offertory
* “Great Is thy Faithfulness” LMGM # 242
* * “In the Word of God” E. Robinson
Communion
“Praise Him” D. Harper
Post Communion Music
“Hail Holy Queen” LMGM #97
* 8:00am *Ruby Robertson, Cantor—Gwen Myles, Music Associate*
* * 11:00am *Church Choir*

Mass Attendance for October 11, 2015

4:30pm	48
8:00am	146
11:00am	245
7:00pm	95
Total:	534

Stewardship Report 2015—2016

Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$16,346
Actual Tithes Collected (10/11)	\$16,666
Actual Surplus (+) Deficit (-)	\$320

ELECTRONIC TITHING—What is the best way to ensure your parish receives the support needed for our operating expenses and ministries? Try *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. Thank you for your continued support!

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday (10/18)
9:15am RCIA
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Ladies of Charity
7:00pm Mass
8:00pm AA

Thursday (10/22)
6:30pm Knights of Columbus
7:00pm Adult Choir

Monday (10/19)
No Yam Bible Study

Tuesday (10/20)
6:30pm Youth Ensemble
7:00pm Adult Choir

Wednesday (10/21)
11:00am Friendly Seniors
6:30pm Liturgical Dance
No Bible Study

Friday (10/23)
8:00pm NA

Saturday (10/24)
10:00am Liturgical Dance
12:00pm Adult Choir
2:00pm K. Louis Farewell
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



TRAVELING MERCIES—for Msgr. Pope, Deacons Butler and Cyrus, and the HCSC parishioners on pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France from **Oct. 12—21**. Please pray for our pilgrims as they journey to seek graces.

SCHEDULE CHANGES DURING PARISH PILGRIMAGE
No YAM Bible Study Oct. 19th
No Wednesday evening Bible Study Oct. 21st



S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat)—The HCSC Social Concerns Ministry invites **ALL** parishioners to help prepare meals for S.O.M.E. located at 71 “O” St., NW, on **Sat., Oct. 24th**. We also need you to donate your cooked chicken for the meal (**see flyer in rear of church**). Drop off your non-frozen chicken at the rectory before close of business on Fri., Oct. 23rd. Let us continue to ‘Walk with Pope Francis’ as we strive to reach out to our brothers and sisters who are in need. Questions? Call Earlene Capers (301-910-1763).

HCSC Church Choir's 43rd Anniversary Concert is Sun., Oct. 25th, at 4pm. Tickets: \$20 each are available from any Choir member or the rectory office. This will be the last HCSC concert under the direction of Mr. Kenneth Louis. So don't miss this opportunity!



FAREWELL TO KENNETH W. LOUIS: Join us as we bid a fond farewell to our Director of Music at a reception on **Sat., Oct. 24th** from 2:00-4:00pm in the school cafeteria. Please see the letter in your bulletin in regards to giving Mr. Louis a gift for a Spiritual Bouquet. Envelopes are in the pews for you to give a spiritual gift, monetary gift or both.



“WE OFFER PRAISE” CD—is Mr. Louis' final recording project with the HCSC Music Ministry. Pick up a copy in the Candlelight Store or the rectory. **COST:** Just \$10 each!

THE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS—will sponsor their Fall Barbecue on **Sun., Oct. 25th**, at **Saint Benedict the Moor, 320—21st St., NE, 8am—2pm**. Delicious ribs, chicken and sides will be available. See flyer for pricing.

FRIENDLY SENIORS FUN DAY: Wed., Oct. 28th, 11am-2pm, in the Youth Room at the school building. Come and join us for food, games and fellowship. If you are retired and would like to meet some of our friendly seniors for a weekly bible study and fellowship, this is a great opportunity to come and find out what we are all about.

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Are you or do you know someone interested in becoming Catholic? Did you or a family member, or friend, miss receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Holy Communion? Are you searching for a greater knowledge and appreciation of your faith? Enroll in the Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** Adult Catechetical Program! Classes have already begun but you can still come Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the rectory. Registration forms with more information are available in the rear of the church and in the rectory office.

Youth Ministry News

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

S.O.M.E., Inc.—The Youth Ministry resumes its monthly community service at S.O.M.E., Inc. on **Sat., Oct. 24th**, from 10am to 1pm at 71 “O” St., NW. Any youth, 13 years or older interested in volunteering, contact the Youth Director.

SAVE THE DATE!! Youth Ministry Fall Fun Fellowship, **Fri., Oct. 30th** at 7:00pm at the school. See flyer for details.

ALL YOUTH!!! If you are interested in becoming a reporter for the HCSC Youth Newsletter, please contact the Youth Director.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: If you celebrate a birthday during August, September, or October and would like it posted in the next HCSC Youth Newsletter contact the Youth Director.

WE NEED YOU FOR OUR YOUTH MINISTRIES! Many of our youth have graduated and become young adults. We are looking for more youth to serve in our Youth Ministries: Altar Servers; Dance Ministry; Junior Ushers; Youth Ensemble; Youth Lectors. If you are interested in joining any of our youth ministries, or helping with one of the youth ministries, contact the Youth Ministry Director.

HCSC Young Adult Ministry

Paula Lancaster/Felicia Miller ♦ YAM@hscchurch.org

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY—will not meet Oct. 12th and 19th. Young Adult Bible Study will resume on Monday, Oct. 26th at 8pm in the rectory basement. Stop by and meet other young adults in the parish.

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@hscchurch.org. Follow us on Twitter for updates at HCSCYoungAdults!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY RETREAT—SPACES STILL AVAILABLE—at the **Oblate Sisters of Providence Motherhouse, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, MD, Nov. 6—8. COST: \$225** covers private room, transportation, meals, and spiritual enrichment. **Theme: “Holding on to my joy while striving to live my faith.”** **Facilitator: Charlene Howard.** Flyers in rear of the church.

FEAST DAY OF SAINT JOHN PAUL II: Thurs., Oct. 22nd, “Open Wide the Doors to Christ”, to include a dramatic reading of “Be Not Afraid” homily at 6:30pm, candlelight procession at 6:45pm and Solemn Mass at 7:15pm followed by a reception. At the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, 3900 Harewood Road, NE, Wash, DC 20017. Visit www.jp2shrine.org or call 202-635-5400 for information.

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

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

