

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**


**Readings This Weekend:**

Acts 2:1-11      1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13      John 20:19-23

**Readings Next Weekend:**

Proverbs 8:22-31      Romans 5:1-5      John 16:12-15



 Today is the Feast of Pentecost. The word Pentecost is from the Greek and it means “50” days. It is fifty days since the Lord has Risen from the dead. In the first reading from Acts we see that the Apostles and numerous other disciples along with Mary are gathered together to pray. Up until this time they have been a rather frightened little group. They dared not venture out and speak openly of Jesus for fear of repercussions. In many ways we can be like them. We fear to speak of Jesus and our faith to others. Perhaps they will laugh or perhaps they will rebuke us. It is so easy to stay behind the closed doors of our Church and just witness to each other where it’s safe. But notice that the Holy Spirit came upon this early gathering of disciples and He changed them. They open the doors and they, along with Peter, go forth. Peter preaches a powerful sermon out in the open and that day 3000 are added to their number. Some of us are planning to venture out in the neighborhood. Will you consider being in that number? How will you assist in the evangelization that Jesus commands of us?

**Mass Attendance for May 8, 2016**

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| 4:30pm        | 46         |
| 8:00am        | 128        |
| 11:00am       | 300        |
| 7:00pm        | 88         |
| <b>Total:</b> | <b>562</b> |



**Sunday, May 15 Pentecost Sunday**

8:00am Eric Jackson, Sr. †  
 11:00am Deceased Holton Family Members  
 7:00pm Margarete S. Parker †

**Monday, May 16**

7:00am Mabel McWaine †

**Tuesday, May 17**

7:00am For the intentions of Annie Do

**Wednesday, May 18**

7:00am Sr. Clarice Proctor, OSP †

**Thursday, May 19**

7:00am Reba L. Neale † (birthday)

**Friday, May 20**

7:00am For the People

**Saturday, May 21**

8:00am Jovan Taylor (birthday)  
 4:30pm George W. Parker, Sr. †

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Monday:</b>    | James 3:13-18 | Mark 9:14-29  |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | James 4:1-10  | Mark 9:30-37  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | James 4:13-17 | Mark 9:38-40  |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | James 5:1-6   | Mark 9:41-50  |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | James 5:9-12  | Mark 10:1-12  |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | James 5:13-20 | Mark 10:13-16 |

**Music Schedule**

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| <b>Processional</b><br>“Come Holy Ghost”                                                  | LMGM #324   |
| <b>Responsorial Psalm</b><br>“Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.” |             |
| <b>Gospel Acclamation</b><br>“Alleluia!”                                                  |             |
| <b>Offertory</b><br>* “Blessed Quietness”                                                 | LMGM #594   |
| * * “Spirit” **                                                                           | Rawn Harbor |
| <b>Communion</b><br>“Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”                                                | LMGM #327   |
| “Blessed Quietness”                                                                       | LMGM #594   |
| <b>Post Communion</b><br>“Revive us again”                                                |             |
| <b>Recessional</b><br>Spirit of the living God”                                           | LMGM #325   |
| “Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”                                                                    | LMGM #327   |
| * 8:00am Ruby Robertson, Cantor—George Stewart, Music Director                            |             |
| ** 11:00am Church Choir—George Stewart, Music Director                                    |             |

**Stewardship Report 2015—2016**

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| Weekly Budget Amount Needed   | \$16,346   |
| Actual Tithes Collected (5/8) | \$27,208   |
| Actual Surplus (+)            | + \$10,862 |



**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CORNER**

“For the source of our joy is ‘an endless desire to show mercy, the fruit of our own experience of the power of the Father’s infinite mercy’ (Evangelii Gaudium, 24)... This is what the Lord tells us today. A Christian finds joy in mission: Go out to people of every nation! A Christian experiences joy in following a command: Go forth and proclaim the good news! A Christian finds ever new joy in answering a call: Go forth and anoint! Jesus sends his disciples out to all nations. To every people. We too were part of all those people of two thousand years ago. Jesus did not provide a short list of who is, or is not, worthy of receiving his message and his presence. Instead, he always embraced life as he saw it.” (Pope Francis during his visit to Washington, DC, Sept. 2015) Joyfully share God’s mercy with others. Find more at [mercy.adw.org](http://mercy.adw.org).

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

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| <b>Sunday (5/15)</b><br>9:15am RCIA<br>9:30am Ladies of Charity mtg<br>7:00pm Mass<br>8:00pm AA | <b>Wednesday (5/18)</b><br>11:00am Friendly Seniors<br>6:30pm Liturgical Dance<br>7:00pm Bible Study |
| <b>Monday (5/16)</b><br>6:30pm Organ. & Min Gathering<br>8:00pm YAM Bible Study                 | <b>Friday (5/20)</b><br>8:00pm NA                                                                    |
| <b>Tuesday (5/17)</b><br>6:30pm Youth Ensemble<br>7:00pm Adult Choir                            | <b>Saturday (5/21)</b><br><b>Rectory Closed</b><br>10:00am Liturgical Dance<br>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**—all day on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR END:** Last day of class is **Sun., May 22<sup>nd</sup>**. There will be a year-end cook-out for the Sunday School youth on Sun., June 5<sup>th</sup> in the CCPC school yard. **No class on May 29<sup>th</sup>** (Memorial Day weekend).



**FAREWELL** to **WILLIAM "Will" FREI**, our Seminarian from the Archdiocese of Charleston, SC, who has served here at HCSC since 2014 while studying at the Theological College. Will is headed to Rome to further his theological study. Please keep Will in prayer for success in his continued study to serve our Lord. Be sure to greet him at the 11am Mass and let him know his service to our community has been a blessing.



**FRIENDLY SENIORS FUN DAY:** Seniors are invited on **Wed., May 18<sup>th</sup>** from 11am—3pm for a day of games, food and fellowship. RSVP to the Rectory (202-546-1885.)

**SPRING PRAYER BREAKFAST**—hosted by HCSC Women's Ministry, **Sat., May 21<sup>st</sup>, 9am—12 noon**, at the school. **Keynote: Therese Wilson Favors. Cost: \$25** (tickets will NOT be sold at the door). For tickets, contact the rectory office (202-546-1885). This is a family event, so all are invited!

**HCSC FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST** hosted by the Holy Name Society, **June 19<sup>th</sup>, 9—11am**, at the school. **Tickets: \$10**, available from any Holy Name member, or the rectory office.

**NATIONAL CATHOLIC PRAYER BREAKFAST:** Join the faithful **Tues., May 17<sup>th</sup>** at the Marriott Marquis in Washington to pray for our country and be inspired in the New Evangelization. **Keynote speaker: His Eminence Robert Cardinal Sarah**, Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, and Archbishop emeritus of Conakry (Guinea). For more info, visit: [www.catholicprayerbreakfast.org](http://www.catholicprayerbreakfast.org).

**CELEBRATING ARCHBISHOP CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL:** Please join The Board of Directors of Archbishop Carroll High School for the **24<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Benefit and Hall of Honor** at **The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts** on **Mon., June 13<sup>th</sup>**, from **6 to 9pm**. This year's inductees into the Carroll Hall of Honor are Alvin Clayton Fernandes, '79, and Tim King, teacher, ACHS 1990-94. The Cardinal Patrick O'Boyle Medal will be awarded to Fr. Patrick Smith, Pastor of St. Augustine Catholic Church and Mackin Class of 1981. For tickets or more information call 202-529-1193.

**MEDICAL SCREENINGS & DENTAL CARE:** Providence Hospital, in conjunction with Howard University College of Dentistry, will sponsor a **FREE Medical Mission for SE Residents, Sat., May 21<sup>st</sup>**, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 1600 Morris Rd., SE, **9:30am—3pm**. Podiatrist and vision specialist on site. Services on first-come/first-serve basis. **FREE** fresh fruit and vegetables given out.

**Youth Ministry News**

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

**LIGHT THE WORLD! SUMMER INSTITUTE:** Attention all rising Juniors and Seniors in high school. The Catholic University of America sponsors a summer institute **June 12<sup>th</sup>—18<sup>th</sup>** where students will learn how faith and culture intersect. Students will learn from professors and experts how to live their faith throughout their daily lives. Many trips are planned. To apply, contact Nicki Gebrehiwot or email Catherine Graveline at CUA ([graveline@cua.edu](mailto:graveline@cua.edu)) for an application.

**HONORING HCSC GRADUATES:** If you are a registered member of HCSC and graduating in June 2016 from middle/high school, college, or graduate school you will be honored at the **11am Mass on Sun., June 12<sup>th</sup>**. See flyer in your bulletin.

**HCSC Young Adult Ministry**

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

**SINGLES SUNDAY**—sponsored by Catholic Alumni Club of Washington for single Catholics 21 and older. Event includes Mass and dinner. **DATE: June 5<sup>th</sup>** at National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception; **Tour at 1:30pm, Mass at 2:30pm** in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, and **Dinner at 4pm** (cost: \$17) at nearby Catholic University. **Reservations required by Tues., May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Visit: [CatholicSinglesOfGreaterWashington.org](http://CatholicSinglesOfGreaterWashington.org) or call Tricia at 301-460-9195.

**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>)! Check out the HCSC Young Adults Ministry on **Facebook** and follow us on Twitter at [HCSCYoungAdults!](https://twitter.com/HCSCYoungAdults)

**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](http://www.faithdirect.net). (HCSC church code: DC59). Call Kim Peaks at the rectory office for more information. It's easy and it's FREE!

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*Rev. Msgr. Charles Pope, Pastor*

If you want to know more about our parish community or are interested in joining, call the rectory at 202-546-1885 or [hscstaff@hscchurch.org](mailto:hscstaff@hscchurch.org).

**Mass Schedule:** Monday thru Friday at 7am (Chapel)  
Saturday at 8am (Chapel) and 4:30pm  
Sunday at 8am, 11am, and 7pm  
**Office Hours:** Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, 9am—8pm;  
Thursday, 9am—5pm;  
Saturday, 9am—1pm and Sunday, 9am—2pm.

For information on sacraments & funerals call the rectory office.  
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