

MASS SCHEDULE

• MONDAY

13/09/21 – 6:30pm

1 Tim 2:1-8/ Ps. 28:2,7-9/ Lk. 7:1-10

• TUESDAY

14/09/21-6:30am/7:00pm

Num 21:4-9/ Ps. 78:1-2,34-38/
Phil 2:6-11/ Jn. 3:13-17 (The
Triumph of the Cross)

• WEDNESDAY

15/09/21– 6:30am

1 Tim 3:14-16/ Ps. 111:1-6/ Jn
19:25-27 or Lk. 2:33-35

• THURSDAY

16/09/21– 7:00pm

1 Tim 4:12-16/ Ps. 111:7-10/ Lk.
7:36-50 (Cornelius)

• FRIDAY

17/09/21– 6:30am

1 Tim 6:2c-12/ Ps. 49:6-10,17-
20/ Lk. 8:1-3

• SATURDAY

18/09/21– 7:00am

1 Tim 6:13-16/ Ps 99:2-5/ Lk. 8:4
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NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading – Wis 2:12,17-20

Res. Psalm – Ps. 54:3-6,8

2nd Reading – Jas. 3:16-4:3

Gospel – Mk. 9:30-37

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The Cross in My Life: a Living and Credible Faith in Christ!

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. The readings for today invite us to reflect on the demands of discipleship after Jesus Christ spoke of His own suffering and death. What use is faith, to confess that Jesus is the Christ without works of love?

At Caesarea Philippi, a gentile town rebuilt in honour of Caesar, Jesus asks His disciples what people are saying about Him and most importantly whom do the Apostles consider Jesus to be. Peter as usual responds, “You are the Christ”. The word “Christ” or “Messiah” was packed with multiple meaning for the Jewish people. It carries memories of kings like David and Solomon. It held the promise of splendour, military victory, hope of national revival and the restoration of Israel’s former glory. The title “Messiah” was loaded with all the hopes and dreams of the Jewish people. Peter was probably placing all of these on Jesus when he says that Jesus is the “Christ” or “Messiah”. Who is Jesus for you?

It was a dramatic and disconcerting moment for the Apostles when Jesus begins to teach them that the Messiah would have to suffer, die, and then rise. Joining the Messiah with suffering did not compute for most Jews. The Gospels recount three occasions when Jesus had to repeat this teaching to His disciples. Jesus insists that this is the way redemption would take place: He will embrace the Cross. The road to “rising” will be through “dying”. He goes on to teach the Apostles and us that those who wish to follow Him to eternal life must take up their cross and follow Him.

This means that everyone has a cross; Christians, non-Christians, educators, students, the married, the unmarried, athletes, professionals, the wealthy, the impoverished, celebrities, and people of every age. Sometimes we imagine certain groups of people to be immune from the cross. When we hear that such people are battling with some form of illness, we are surprised. We imagine that the image that is projected in their profession is all there is to their life. Everyone has a cross. It is not a Christian or Catholic invention. We should try to alleviate suffering as best as we can. There is however that residual suffering about which we can do nothing. That is the cross a person must carry.

Maybe there is a planet where accidents do not occur; where people do not have incurable diseases; where violence does not plague the cities; where all of human life is respected; where people are honest and transparent; where educators impart knowledge without research and teaching; where students pass exams without studying; and where Parkinson’s and Alzheimer’s diseases are unknown. Maybe such a place exists in this universe but that is not where we live. That is not the world in which we were baptized. We are called to follow Christ in this world with the cross we have. We follow Christ by taking up our cross as opposed to pretending it is not there, or finding ways to avoid it, or to curse it. The cross we have in our life is the unique way that we will follow Christ. It is our personal and specific path by which we connect to Jesus.

The cross keeps us real. Just as faith without works is dead, as St James tells us in the second reading, so following Christ without our cross is illusory. The cross in our life cleanses and clarifies our discipleship. We see it every day in the fidelity of marriage; in the faithfulness of priests and religious to their vocation; in the care given to ailing and failing parents and family members; in the love and attention given to sick children; in the hours and resources donated to charitable causes; in the time spent in hospital rooms as a loved one recovers; in the comfort and help given to people after a death; in the struggle to endure a job one does not like in order to support a family; in preparing our teaching material well; and in putting ourselves to studies in order to write a good exam. These and many other situations show us the real drama of how we can follow Christ, a credible and living faith full of works of love.

Beloved, everyone on earth has a cross. About that we have no choice. That cross can make us bitter or it can make us a saint. The choice is ours. If we follow the Lord with it, the cross we have in our life becomes the path that leads to holiness here on earth and eternal glory with Christ in heaven.

We congratulate our Sons and Daughters who have been Confirmed by the Gift of the Holy Spirit. May they give witness to Christ by a life built on Faith and Love.

To our dear Examination Candidates, be assured of our Prayers and finish hard. Fear not, God is in control. Conduct yourselves well, do your best and God will supply the rest. Victory is assured!

Please, remember to stay well, healthy and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Get vaccinated when you have the opportunity. Continue to wear your nose mask and observe all the safety protocols. Your life is dear to us.

God bless and keep you safe.

Have a Blessed and Fruitful Week.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anothony F. Naah– 0249999616

Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine-0207024221

Rev. Fr. Prince Owusu Sarpong– 0208290851

Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin-0277154777

CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Isa. 50:5-9a

Res. Psalm: Ps. 115:1-6, 8-9

2nd Reading: Jas. 2:14-18



General Notices

Sacrament of Reconciliation: There is Confession every Saturday at 6:00pm. All safety Protocols will be observed.

Sale of Books: Rev. Fr. Enyonam from the Keta-Akatsi Diocese is with us this weekend on behalf of his Bishop to sell some books in aid of building Clergy Home for their Diocese. All Parishioners are entreated to patronise them.

First Communion Pictures: All Parishioners whose wards received First Communion are been informed that pictures taken during the Mass are ready for collection. Please meet the photographer in front of the Chapel after each Mass.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please, sign up to receive News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy. You can do so at the Covid-19 Desk after Mass or send a WhatsApp message to 0596036520. **NB:** You need to save the number to receive messages from the number on WhatsApp.

Dues (Membership) Cards and Registration: All parishioners who haven't got themselves Dues Cards and all those who have not registered should see the Catechists after Mass to help you or come to the Chaplaincy Office to do so. Please take note.

Chaplaincy Cloth on Sale at a Reduced Price: We have a large quantity of the Chaplaincy's Cloth on sale at a reduced price which now goes for Six Ghana Cedis (GH6.00) per a yard. Parishioners/Students who do not own a cloth

or is worn out should please rush to the Chaplaincy office to purchase

Chaplaincy Momo Pay: The Chaplaincy has acquired a Merchant Sim. Parishioners are advised to make payments of Harvest Levy, Chapel Fund Contributions, etc. through the Merchant ID: 097655 to enjoy less charges.



Groups & Societies

Sunday School Classes: Parishioners (Parents/Guardians) are being informed that Sunday School Classes have resumed. However, only children from the Pre-Communion Class (age 7-9) to the Confirmation Class are admitted. Children in the Nursery Class are not starting now due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Parents must ensure that their children wear their Nose Masks and come with water bottles, if possible. Please bear with us.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): We wish to announce to members of CCR-Local that, today Sunday 12th September, 2021 is a City Prayer meeting at the Cathedral Basilica at 2:00 pm. There will be no prayer meeting at the Chaplaincy.

However, meeting is scheduled next week Sunday. Members are encouraged to partake in the City Prayer meeting.

Catholic Women Association (CWA): The Catholic Women Association is inviting new members to join them. Interested parishioners are to meet with the President after Mass.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity: All members are informed that Church has resumed. Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary Praesidium has resumed their meetings for both Twi and English on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6:00pm and 5:00pm respectively. Both new and old members are warmly welcome.

Sincere Thanks

1. Rev. Fr. Dr. Peter Addae-Mensah and family are expressing their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, various groups and societies and individual parishioners for your prayer, presence, sympathy and generous donations during their bereavement. They pray that the good and gracious Lord continues to bless you all

Marriage Banns



1. Mr. Peter (Naaba) Azure, son of Mr. Aklegoudi and Mad. Anyelma, born at Bongo-Dua, resided at Ayigya, now residing at Santasi-Ampatia and **Mad. Janet Anii**, daughter of Mr. Aklemu Apeema and Mad. Ayelapoyia Anbeng, born at Bolgatanga, residing at Ayigya Zongo. **(2nd Announcement-To be Introduced)**

2. Mr. Francis Lartey Ofoe, son of Mr. John Wornor Ofoe and Mad. Florence Kpabitey, born at Asesewa, resided at Darkuman, Accra, now residing at West Legon and **Ms. Wilhemina A. Pels**, daughter of Mr. Lewis Theophilus Pels and Mrs. Gloria Bamfo Pels, born in Kumasi, residing in Sunyani. **(2nd Announcement)**

3. Mr. Christopher Abokah, son of Mr. Alfred James Kaburi Abokah and Mad. Elizabeth Kaburi, born at Ayigya, resided at Ayigya, now residing at Deduako and **Ms. Millicent Konadu Yeboah**, daughter of Mr. David Kwesi Yeboah and Mrs. Mary Oduro Yeboah, born in Lagos-Nigeria, residing in KNUST Campus. **(1st Announcement)**

4. Mr. Harrison Dormenyo Agbedanu, son of Mr. Francis Agbedanu and Mad. Mary Agbedanu, born at Duakro, resided at Koforidua, now residing at Kotei-Deduako and **Ms. Stella Darko**, daughter of Mr. John Opere and Mrs. Janet Dofie Opere, born at Wadie-Adwumakasi, residing at Deduako-Twumduase. **(1st Announcement)**

"The secret of happiness
is to live moment by moment
and to thank God for all that
He, in His goodness,
sends to us day after day."
St. Gianna Molla

Pax Corner

Pax Romana: Parishioners and Students are reminded to return the envelopes taken last Sunday in support of the Pax Welfare. You can leave your sealed envelope with the Ushers, at the Covid Desk or at the Chaplaincy Office. Envelopes are still available if you wish to take one. God bless you for contributing.

Soul Food: This period of examination comes with a mixture of anxiety, fear and sleepless night. But only if you have faith, faith that the Lord who started with us will surely bring us to a successful end. So in the exam hall when things do not seem to go well, just place your hand over your heart and say 'All is Well'

Request for Support – Daughters of the Most Holy Trinity (FST): The FST Sisters of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kumasi are requesting parishioners to support them with used (or new) clothing, food stuff, stationary, and / or funds to support their Rural Outreach to aid their tradition of reaching out regularly to rural communities. As we know ‘the harvest is rich but the labourers are few’ so we need more labourers to support them wholeheartedly to make a meaningful impact in the lives of needy people. Your support in this matter will be very much appreciated. For more enquiries, please, call on this number – 0244976656.

Inspirational Quotes For Living: Are you down hearted, living to find your purpose and excited about life? Look no further. Grab your copy of Books on Quotes by Prof. Marian Asantewah Nkansah to add colour and flavour to your life. Copies are at the Sales Desk for GH¢30.00.

Job Opportunity: 1. A parishioner is in need of Live-In Domestic staff, male and female. Interested persons should please call on the following numbers: 024427633 and 0203085867.

2. A parishioner is looking for a Live-in female House Help on campus. Interested persons should call on: 0200773486 for help.

3. **Driver Wanted:** A parishioner needs someone (Driver) to drive his Urvan Bus (Commercial Use). Interested parishioners should please call him on: 0249913300.

4. **Home Teacher:** Any parishioner in need of a home teacher for his/her child in J.H.S or S.H.S should contact Mr. Adu Yaw Amoako on 0546720154.

House Wiring, CCTV Camera & Solar Installations etc.: Do you need a quality work done in the field of House Wiring, CCTV Camera and Solar installations? Please, contact 0246103830 for enquires.

Appeal For Fund In Aid For Maternity Block: The Management and Staff of St. Vincent De Paul Clinic Drobonso is appealing and inviting all parishioners for your support in any form to provide a befitting Maternity Block for mothers and their babies. The Climax of the Jubilee Celebration is on Saturday, 25th September, 2021. Donations can be done into the Account details:

Sr Helen Akparibo(0207469333)
Name: St. Vincent Clinic, Dobonso
Account No: 1111810006105771
Bank: Kumawuman Rural Bank Limited Branch: Drobonso

Nothing is too small to contribute, be it money or building materials.

Rent Accommodation: 1. A parishioner needs a single room apartment around Bomso, Maxima, The Cabin and Sussanso. Please, call to help him/her on 0248588860.

2. A parishioner is in need of a single room accommodation to rent for occupation. Please, call and help him on: 0548991681 / 0553605278. Thank you.

3. A parishioner needs an accommodation around KNUST Campus – Emena, Apemso, Kotei, Boadi, Ayeduase, Kentinkrono, Ayigya, Maxima, Bomso, Susanso, Oduom, Gyinyase, etc. to rent. Please, call on 0545174080 to help.

Sale of Peanut Butter: Thy Grace Natural Peanut Butter has in stock unadulterated butter (groundnuts paste) ideal for soup and bread-spread. For domestic and commercial (schools, restaurants, canteens, chop bars, food joints eateries) needs, contact the following for delivery:0244158635 / 0244077147

2021 Harvest Levies

Senior Members/Businessmen/ women — GHS. 300.00

Senior Staff — GHS. 150.00

Junior Staff/House Wife — GHS. 100.00

Tertiary Students — GHS. 50.00

Senior High/Tech. Schools — GHS. 30.00

Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten — GHS. 20.00

NB: All Parishioners are encouraged to pay their levies.