

## MASS SCHEDULE

### • MONDAY

25/10/21 – 6:00pm

Rom. 8:12-17 / Ps. 68:2, 4, 6-7,  
20-21 / Lk. 13:10-17

### • TUESDAY

26/10/21-6:00pm

Rom. 8:18-25 / Ps. 126:1-6 / Lk.  
13:18-21

### • WEDNESDAY

27/10/21– 6:00pm

Rom. 8:26-30 / Ps. 12:4-6 / Lk.  
13:22-30

### • THURSDAY

28/10/21– 6:00pm

Eph. 2:19-22 / Ps. 18:2-5 / Lk.  
6:12-16 (Simeon and Jude)

### • FRIDAY

29/10/21– 6:00pm

Rom. 9:1-6 / Ps/ 148:12-15, 19-  
20 / Lk. 14:1-6

### • SATURDAY

30/10/21— 7:00am

Rom. 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 / Ps.  
94:12-15, 17-18 / Lk. 14:1, 7-11

## NEXT SUNDAY

**1st Reading:** Deut. 6:2-6

**2nd Reading:** Heb. 7:23-28

**Gospel:** Mk. 12:28b-34

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## Enlightened to Follow Christ

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate today the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. In our readings this weekend an “oracle of consolation” regarding the restoration of Israel finds its fulfilment in the person of Jesus, our merciful High Priest. His healing of the blind man witnesses to the inauguration of the Kingdom.

In today’s Gospel reading, at Jericho, just before entering Jerusalem, Jesus meets Bartimaeus, a blind man, who, in spite of the crowd, makes his way to Jesus. When he is cured of his blindness he sees and without hesitation decides to follow Jesus along the road to Jerusalem and to be with Him in His Passion, Death and Resurrection. The blind Bartimaeus is an example of what our faith and trust in Jesus ought to be. He has firm confidence in the person of Jesus and is not put off by the abuse of the crowd, who regard him as a nobody, telling him to keep quiet. Shouting and waving his arms in the air he persists with the plea, “Son of David, have pity on me”. This cry of desperation from his heart, made in complete trust, attracts the attention of Jesus. When asked by Jesus what he wants, there is no doubt about his request. Life for him without sight has been one long night full of darkness. His prayer is: “Lord, that I may see”. With the healing touch of Jesus, a whole new world opens up as he is ushered into the light of day. Although Bartimaeus may have been a beggar, he is a person of gratitude because on receiving his sight he immediately follows Jesus.

The fact that we have eyes does not mean we always see what is most important in life. There is more to sight than merely seeing the light of day. Eyes are of little use if we fail to see the hand of God at work in our lives. At times we all experience such darkness and are sorely in need of the light of God. In caring for the blind man, Christ is telling us that there is an even worse state of blindness than physical blindness. We all suffer from spiritual blindness and Jesus is letting us know that He can cure this illness and prevent us from groping around in darkness. Hatred, pride, jealousy can prevent us from seeing goodness in our neighbours. Refusal to pay our debts or to do an honest week’s work for the wages we are collecting means we are blinded to a sense of justice. Never being satisfied with what we have and always wanting more material goods is an indication that we are blinded by greed. We are all victims of some sort of blindness. When we search and pray for more light, Christ who is the light of the world can dispel such darkness and restore our true spiritual vision.

The second reading tells us that Jesus has been appointed by God for high priestly role. In other words, all that has unfolded in the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus was ordained by God as part of a divinely sanctioned plan to save the human race. His perfect sacrifice, rooted in His complete obedience to the Father’s will, means that “once and for all” God has been given a sacrifice of expiation for the sins of the world. Because of His resurrection, Christ now stands before God’s throne, eternally offering intercession for the sins of all people.

There is but one priesthood now, that of Jesus Christ, and all who are joined to Him share in His great sacrificial offering. Members of the church share in the priesthood of Christ in two ways: common (by baptism) priesthood and ministerial (by ordination) priesthood. The common priesthood is exercised through the life of faith, hope, and love. The ministerial or ordained, priesthood of bishops, priests and deacons, is at the service of the common priesthood of all believers. Every believer by virtue of Baptism is a part of this priestly mystery. Just as Jesus was “chosen” by God, so in Baptism we have all been “chosen” as a priestly people. Priesthood, whether the common priesthood of the faithful rooted in Baptism or the ministerial priesthood of the Holy Orders, involves the divine choice that today’s second reading speaks of: “No one takes this honour upon himself but only when called by God”. Live your priesthood!

Next week Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021, we will be blessed with the Pastoral Visit of the Metropolitan Archbishop of Kumasi at the 9:00am Mass. It is my prayer that we take the opportunity to come in our numbers in our Chaplaincy’s cloth and with offertory gifts. God bless you that you have decided to attend the Mass.

Dear students on vacation, take good care of yourselves, be helpful to your families, and be true ambassadors of your schools. We love you and we miss you already! We hope to see you more and involved in Parish activities. Find time to deepen your faith and your understanding of the Church and Her doctrines.

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

Beloved parishioners do not forget about your Rosary. The Rosary is a fortress against evil.

May Mary accompany us all through the Week and the rest of the Month.

God bless and keep you safe.

### PASTORAL TEAM

**Chaplain:** Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah— 0249999616  
**Assisting Priests:** Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine— 0207024221  
Rev. Fr. Prince Owusu Sarpong— 0208290851  
Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin—0277154777  
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**CHAPLAINCY WEBSITE: www.knustcatholic.org**

### READINGS FOR THE DAY

**1st Reading:** Jer. 31:7-9

**2nd Reading:** Heb. 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mk. 10:46-52



## General Notices

**Pastoral Visit of the Metropolitan Archbishop:** The Archbishop of Kumasi will pay a Pastoral Visit to the Chaplaincy on Sunday October 31, 2021. There will be only three (3) Masses i.e., the Vigil Mass on Saturday October 30 at 7.00pm, 6.30am Mass and 9.00am Mass. The Archbishop will preside over the 9.00am Mass. Various groups and societies including those who do not belong to any group are encouraged to bring Offertory Gifts to be presented to the Archbishop. Parishioners are also expected to be in the Chaplaincy Cloth to grace the occasion. All parishioners should please take note.

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

**Rosary Month:** October is the month of Rosary and we are reminded to pray our Rosary. As a community, we shall meet at 6.00pm each day to pray the Rosary.

**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.

**Invitation to Outdooring of Obaapanin:** Nana Oduro Agyei Panin II, Asuoho Konkoma Hene, the Chiefs, Agona Abusuapanin and people of Asuoho Konkoma request the honour of the presence of parishioners to the Outdooring of Nana Ama Dufie II (**Ms. Mathel Kwantwiwa Adusei, a parishioner and also daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Sarfo Adusei – a.k.a Africa**) as Obaapanin of Asuoho Konkoma on Saturday October 30, 2021 at 10.00am. A bus will convey parishioners from the Chaplaincy to Asuoho Konkoma. All parishioners are invited. **Attire: "Black & White"**

## Committees, Groups & Societies

**Parish Council Elections 2021:** Nominations have been opened and nomination forms are available for pickup at the Chaplaincy office and the Covid'19 Desk. NB: Nominations close on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Interested parishioners can download the forms on the Chaplaincy's website.

**Charismatic Renewal (Local):** The CCR-Local will be meeting today at their usual place for prayers. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

**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.

**All Singing Groups to meet:** All Singing Groups in the Chaplaincy will continue their preparations towards the Archbishop's Pastoral Visit on Tuesday October 26, 2021 at Bishop Sarpong Hall (The Small Chapel) at 5.00pm. We entreat all members to be present.

**Liturgy Committee:** Members of the Liturgy Committee are informed of their meeting on Wednesday October 27, 2021 at the Msgr. John Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall. Since we have Rosary Prayers at 6.00pm before Mass, members are entreated to be at the meeting at exactly 5.00pm to enable us close early enough to attend to Mass.

**Second Collection for Laity Activities:** There will be a second collection today Sunday October 24, 2021 at all Masses to support the Laity activities. All parishioners are encouraged to take note and to give generously.

## Sincere Thanks

**Sincere Thanks:** Mr. & Mrs. Agbedanu wish to express their sincere appreciation to the Chaplain, Marriage & Family Life Committee, Catechists, Youth Choir, Lectors, Ushers and all parishioners for your prayers and support during their Holy Matrimony. They pray that the good Lord continues to bless you all.



## Marriage Banns



## Funeral Announcement & Invitation

1. We announce the death of Mr. Yamba Ben a parishioner and husband of Ms. Jane Frances Kubebr, also a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Union and St. Peter's Choir. The One-Week Observation is today Sunday October 24, 2021 at Appiadu Kokoben Funeral Grounds from 12noon to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

2. Mrs. Veronica Boakye Mensah, a parishioner announces the funeral of her mother Mrs. Elizabeth Dadzie (a former parishioner) as follows: lying in state on Saturday October 30, 2021 at H/No. Plt.28 Blk. II – Ayeduase New Site at 6.00am, burial Mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ayeduase at 9.00am, burial follows, funeral rites

at St. Joseph's Catholic Church premises, Ayeduase from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday October 31, 2021 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ayeduase at 9.00am, final funeral rites at H/No. Plt.28 Blk. II – Ayeduase New Site from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. **(Mrs. Veronica Boakye Mensah to be introduced).**

3. Ms. Elizabeth Boateng a parishioner and member of the Non-Aligned Movement announces the funeral of her husband Mr. Victor Osei Akyempong whose death occurred in Congo. He has since been buried and his funeral has also been performed.

**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.

**Admission:** The ABCD Montessori School located at Appiedu /Apemso Junction is admitting wards in Pre-school from the ages of 3 months to 5 years. Interested parishioners should contact Mariam on 0509313665.

**Accommodation:** For the information of parishioners who may be interested in renting an accommodation, there is one available at Feyiase (barely 15 to 20 minutes from KNUST Campus. Interested persons may please call on: 0202027360.

**Job Opportunity:** : 1. A parishioner is looking for a young catholic woman to serve as a Househelp (cook and cleaner). Interested persons should call 0208198270 and 0543145943. Pay is attractive.

2. 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.

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

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

5. **Travel Agency:** A travel management company located at Ahinsan Estate is looking for a young energetic lady for immediate employment as Front Desk Officer.

Age limit – 25 years

Minimum qualification – HND

Should be a computer Literate

Applicant should be proficient in graphic designing

Must live around Ahinsan Estate and its environs

Interested applications should send their CV to the Chaplaincy Office by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

6. **Home Teacher:** Parishioners who are in need of a home teacher for their Wards 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.

**Book Store:** The Paulines Publications Book on the 'History of Catholic Church' and other related Catholic books and Bibles are now available at the sales desk. Parishioners are entreated to pass by for copies.

**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.**