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Alleluia, Alleluia, Christ Is Risen!

Resurrection Year (A). On this day of days, we offer a joyful sacri-Him. fice of praise to the Father who raised His Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead. This is indeed the day the Lord has made. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us. As resurrected children, we have Easter hope, love, peace, and joy to share with others.

Alleluia, Christ has passed over from death to life, and the faithful, through Baptism and the Renewal of Baptismal Promises, pass over with Him. Our Paschal Lamb, Christ, indeed from death is risen, obtaining for us a new life. St Peter's preaching in the first reading presents the entire scope of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and its meaning for the world. Beginning with St John the Baptist, Peter recounts the essential story of Jesus' coming, preaching, overthrow of the powers of evil, His passion, death, and resurrection, and forgiveness of sins resulting from these events. As a chosen witness, who ate and drank with Jesus after His resurrection, he emphasizes the real, physical nature of the resurrection. His speech is momentous, provoking an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon its hearers. His message retains its urgency and eruptive power, stating the universal import of the Good News of forgiveness of sin for both Jews and Gentiles: Christ loved people so much that He gave His life for them. Just when everything seems to end in failure (shameful death on the Cross and burial in a tomb). God intervenes and raises Him from the dead.

Set in the darkness of Mary Magdalene's early morning pilgrimage to the tomb, today's Gospel recounts several lights dawning: daybreak itself; the disciples' discovery that the tomb is empty and their dawning awareness of what that fact meant; and finally, the beloved disciple's coming to believe that Jesus has been raised from the dead. The beloved disciple, having heard the story of Though both enter the tomb, the beloved disciple alone is described as believing. John, the first to reach the tomb and to betruth of the resurrection. Because of his love for Jesus, the beloved disciple comes more quickly to discern and believe that Jesus is Risen. The empty tomb, though vital, is not the sole basis for Christian belief in the Resurrection. The disciples did not expect the resurrection and found it hard to believe in the evidence of the empty tomb alone. Decisive to their faith in the resurrection were their subsequent personal encounters with the Risen Christ,

The very heart of Easter is that when they came to the tomb, the stone was rolled away. The Resurrection means that the huge stone that separated the human race from God, the stone that stood like a wall between humanity and God, the stone that holds us down was rolled away and now in Jesus Christ, the way to the us safe. May He grant all our efforts with success. Pax! Father is once more wide-open. Through the resurrection of Jesus, God's own life floods back into the world. Eternal life and happiness are possible for all of us. There is enough evidence in the life of the disciples and of the Church that Jesus is Risen that the burden of proof is on those who claim otherwise. We see the disciples changed, walking in the newness of life as a new creation, filled with the Holy Spirit. The only doubt that casts its shadow over Easter is the doubt that you and I can really walk in the newness of life, that we can become a new creation, and that we can be changed and filled with the Holy Spirit. We might feel that the stone in our life is too massive, too big, that Jesus rose to new life Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

Dear People of God, today is Easter Sunday or Sunday of the is easy to believe. We may doubt that we can rise to new life in

However, Resurrection affirms that the God of Genesis, who separated the darkness from light and brought this magnificent world into being from nothing, can make us a new creation and give us new life. Christ, Risen from the dead, confirms that the God of Exodus who delivered the Hebrew people from slavery and bondage can deliver us from every bondage of sin. Because of Jesus' Resurrection, we can experience the power of Genesis and Exodus in our life. The stone in our life can be rolled away. The Easter Vigil began in darkness, representing all that is devoid of light: evil thoughts, sinister motivations, terrible deeds, whatever is hidden and secret, deceitful and dishonest, divisive and abusive, immoral and sinful, pain and suffering. It is the darkness of our world and maybe the darkness in our life. Then the light was struck and broke into the darkness. As the Light spread, the Church was illuminated by the light and darkness began to be dispelled. This gives us hope that the light we are given, the light of Faith, can dispel the darkness. Truly, we all come to Easter with our different histories of shortcomings, failings, and sins. The Resurrection of Jesus assures each of us that we can have a different future. The Risen Christ can bring every one of us the grace we need for our future.

Jesus also formed the Church to be the place He will always be found in Word and Sacrament. In the Church, Christ dwells in His majestic Easter presence. No longer confined to Palestine, He is in countless places and in countless lives. We discover Him where generations of Christians have encountered Him, in the Church's rituals, her preaching, and her life. If we seek the Risen Christ in our life, we should not look for visions. We must seek Him within the Church. The Risen One, the Risen Christ lives and moves in Mary, outruns Peter to the tomb, yet allows Peter to enter first. His Church. In our Gospel living, personal prayer life, and weekly and daily Masses, we notice the Easter light gradually entering our life, the stone in our life being rolled away. We may not find all lieve, shows the power of love to put a believer in touch with the our problems suddenly vanishing, but we will find new strength and courage to work through them. Easter is really the best time to discover a personal relationship with the Risen Christ in the life of the Church.

> Dear Students, Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia is our song because we are the Alleluia people. As we wish you a Happy and Impactful Easter, so do we pledge our closeness to you as you intensify your preparations for the End of Semester Examinations. Fear not! Victory is assured, for Christ is Risen! Do your best and your best will be enough. May every stone in our life be rolled away as we discover and re-discover our personal relationship with the Risen Christ in the life of the Church. May God bless, protect, and keep

> Hope to see you all at the Easter Picnic to celebrate and share the Easter Joy and Hope.

> Please be reminded to stay well, healthy, and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Remember to observe all the safety protocols. Get vaccinated if you are not. Your life is dear to us.

Happy and Blessed Easter!

God bless and keep you safe.

1st Reading: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

READINGS FOR THE DAY

2nd Reading: Col. 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20: 1-9

TUESDAY- 11/04/23 6:30AM & 6:30рм

Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Ps. 15:1-2a, 5, 7

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 10/04/23 - 7:00AM

-11 / Matt. 28:8-15

Acts 2:356-41 / Ps. 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 / Jn. 20:11-18

WEDNESDAY - 12/04/23 6:30AM

Acts 3:1-10 / Ps. 105:1-4, 6-9 / Lk. 24:13-35

THURSDAY- 13/04/23 - 7:00PM

Acts 3:11-26 / Ps. 8:2, 5-9 / Lk. 24:35-48

FRIDAY 14/04/23 — 6:30AM

Acts 4:1-12 / Ps. 118:1-2, 22-27 / Jn. 21:1-14

SATURDAY- 15/04/23-7:00AM

Acts 4:13-21 / s. 118:1, 14-21 / Mk. 16:9-15

NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 16. 2023 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (CYCLE A)

7:00PM — VIGIL MASS

6.30AM - 1ST MASS

8.00AM - 2ND MASS

10.00AM - 3RD MASS

PLEASE ALL PARISHIONERS **SHOULD TAKE NOTE**

1st Reading - Acts 2:42-

RES. PSALM - Ps. 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

2ND READING - 1 Pt. 1:3-9

GOSPEL - Jn. 20:19-31

PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah - 0249999616 Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221 Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin SJ-0277154777 Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako — 0501154065 CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655



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FUN FACT

Previously, the Pope used to wear a Papal tiara (a sort of crown). Pope Paul VI was the last pope to use a tiara at his coronation. His tiara was sold and the proceeds given to charity.

General Notices

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

2023 Easter Picnic: The Chaplaincy, with the help of Social Action Committee, is organising this year's Easter Picnic at the KNUST Junior High School on Monday April 10, 2023. The program starts at 9.00am. There would be many activities such as football gala, musical chairs, sack race, table tennis, dancing competition, etc. Register at the Chaplaincy Office if you would want to partake in any of the activities. Come let us have fun and feast to celebrate our Risen Lord.

Easter Picnic Food Vendors: Parishioners who would want to sell food and other items during the Picnic should please register at the Chaplaincy Office as well before you would be allowed to do so.

Offertory Gifts and Second Collection: All parishioners are encouraged to bring Offertory Gifts on Easter Sunday April 9, 2023, These items would be sent to the Children's Home. We will also take a second

collection at all Masses to support the have themselves Dues Cards and all Offertory Gifts. those who have not registered should

Infant Baptism: There is going to be Infant Baptism on Saturday April 15, 2023 at 4:00pm. Parishioners who would want their children/wards to be baptised should please come for instructions on Friday April 14, 2023 at 5:00pm at the Chaplaincy with their children/wards' godparents.

Sick/Aged/Homebound/Infirmed Parishioners: We are appealing to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and house addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirmed parishioners to enable our Catechists and Eucharistic Ministers visit and give them Communion.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please, sign up to receive News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy. You can do so at the Covid-19 Registration Desk after Mass or send a WhatsApp message to this number: 0596036520.

<u>**NB**</u>: You need to save the number to receive messages from the number on WhatsApp.

<u>Dues (Membership) Cards and Registration:</u> All parishioners who do not

have 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 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 charge.

<u>Collection</u> of <u>Baptismal Cards</u>: The Chaplaincy Office wishes to remind parishioners (Parents and Guardians) who have their children and wards Baptismal Cards at the office to please come and pick them.

Security Consciousness: Parishioners are being informed to be security conscious when we come to church. Groups/Societies should try to educate their members to be alert but not to create any fear in them. We encourage all parishioners to alert the Ushers of any unwanted behaviour. "Say something when you see something"

<u>Use of Washrooms</u>: We entreat parishioners; both children and adults, to put the washrooms to order and clean after use in order not to inconvenience the next user.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Charismatic Renewal (Local): The C.C.R. – Local members are being reminded that today Sunday April 9, 2023, there will be prayer meeting at the usual meeting place. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

Twi Catechism: It is announced to parishioners that Twi Catechism for all the Sacraments – Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation for year 2023 is on Tuesdays and Wednesdays i.e. from February 7, 2023 at the Chaplaincy. Time: 5.00pm to 6.00pm. Interested parishioners should please take note and register before it is too late.

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.

Health Committee: The Chaplaincy Health Committee informs parishioners of its existence and also entreat us to channel our health needs and concerns to the Committee through the contact number 0241133879 (WhatsApp Number) for consideration. These needs and concerns may help the Committee to plan its programme of activities for the year and subsequent years.

Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee:

The Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee would like to inform parishioners that we are live on Social Media. Find and connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and YouTube. You can also send us a mail on knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com.

Facilities Management Committee:

The Committee has commenced the process of taking inventory of all facilities/equipment of the Chaplaincy with the aim of creating/developing a Register for same. All groups/societies are kindly informed that the Committee will soon be visiting them to interact with them and to also take stock of all facilities/equipment in their possession for the running of their activities.

The dates for the visits will be communicated to the groups and societies in due course. The support of all groups and societies is solicited, please.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity: 1. Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

2. The Executives and members of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Confraternity welcome all members of the Students Wing of the Confraternity back to school. Fresh students of Pax are invited to join the Confraternity.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary, Twi and English Praesidia, Virgin Most Powerful and Our Lady of Holy Rosary meet this and every Wednesday and Thursday at 5.30pm respectively. New and old members are warmly welcome.

<u>Dagaaba Union</u>: All members of the Dagaaba Union are expected to meet next Sunday April 16, 2023 immediately after the 10.00am Mass. We entreat all members to be present at this meeting.

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Marriage Banns 🥯



- 1. Mr. John Ewusi Wilson, son of Mr. Anthony Ewusi Wilson and Mad. Helena Essuman, born at Cape Coast, used to reside at Kentinkrono, now residing at Ejisu-Krapa and Ms. Henrietta Aba Whyte, daughter of Mr. Anthony Whyte and Mrs. Elizabeth Wilhemina Whyte, born in Kumasi, resided at Saltpond, now residing at Ahinsan, Kumasi. (2nd Announcement)
- 2. Mr. Isaac Favour Kodjo Gavor, son of Mr. Moses Gavor and Mad.

Rosina Awudza, born at Ave Dakpa, resided in Kumasi, now residing at Ho and Ms. Sandra Vastice Enyonam Asempah, daughter of Mr. Benjamin Kwami Asempah and Mad. Lydia Yaa Dagbvi, born at Ave Dakpa, now residing at Ho. (2nd Announcement)

3. Mr. Victor Asare, son of Mr. Augustine Asare and Mad. Philomina Gyamfi, born at Mampong, now residing at Abura and Ms. Lordina Yeboah, daughter of Mr. Stephen K. W. Yeboah and Mad. Matilda Yeboah, born at Tarkwa, resided at Abura now residing at Ashaley-Botwe, Accra. (1st Announcement)

Youth Corner

Youth Mass comes off this and every Thursday at 7pm. All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

Student Mass comes off every Tuesday at 6:30pm

Students' Catechism: Students Catechism starts this and every Saturday at the Committee Room 7 at Dr. R.P. Baffour Complex at exactly 4.00pm. Students who want to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation should be part of the Class.

Funeral Announcements

- 1. We announce the funeral of Mr. Justin Kwabena Nketiah (a.k.a. Chief) as follows: lying in state on Saturday April 15, 2023 at Kotei New Site, burial Mass at the Chaplaincy, final funeral rites at KNUST Swimming Pool Site from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday April 16, 2023 at the Chaplaincy, family gathering at the KNUST Swimming Pool Site from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
- 2. Mr. & Mrs. Beyogle who are parishioners and members of the Dagaaba Union, St. Peter's Choir and Dagaaba Christian Mothers' Association respectively announce the funeral of their daughter Ms. Eunice Sogrebang Beyogle, also a parishioner as follows: wake-keeping on Friday April 14, 2023 at Ayigya Zongo School park at 10.00pm, burial Mass on Saturday April 15, 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 9.00am, final funeral rites at Ayigya Zongo School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday April 16, 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 10.00am, family gathering at the Ayigya Zongo School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. (Mr. & Mrs. Beyogle to be introduced)

Sincere Thanks

<u>Sale of Magazines – St. Gregory Seminary,</u>
<u>Parkoso</u>: Parishioners are being informed that today Sunday March 26, 2023, Seminarians from St. Gregory The Great Provincial Major Seminary at Parkoso are at the Chaplaincy here to sell their Magazines. We are all entreated to patronise the Magazines.

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 – Catholic Technical Institute (CTI): The Catholic Technical Institute located at Buokrom Estate is admitting fresh students both full time and part time for the following NABPTEX Programme: (a) Air-Condition and Refrigeration (b) Architectural Designing Technology (c) Auto Body Works (d) Auto Mobile Engineering (e) Building Construction Technology (f) Carpentry & Joinery (g) Catering (h) Electronic Engineering Technology (i) Fashion & Design Technology (j) Mechanical Engineering Technology (k) Plumbing & Gas Technology and (l) Welding & Metal Fabrication. Call on these numbers for help: 0209342299/ 0322070702 / 0245024615 / 0244051857.

Our Lady of Grace (OLAG) S.H.S., Mamponteng – 2023 Entrance Examination: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School, a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mamponteng (15kms away from Kumasi) within the Catholic Diocese of Konongo-Mampong is inviting students for 2023 Entrance Examination. Please, for full details, visit the Notice Board and read for yourselves.

Job Opportunity: 1. Someone is looking for a lady between the ages of 19 and 25 to work with in Bread Baking Business. She will be given an accommodation and also teach her how to go about the bread making. She is also looking for a lady who knows how to fold bread as well as one to sell the bread and again looking for a male to help in removing the bread from the oven. The workplace is at Oduom. Interested parishioners should call 0546437159 or 0241294858 for help.

2. A woman between the ages of forty (40) and fifty-five (55) is wanted to take care of an old woman at Ayigya. Interested person should contact 0558522551 or 0208115349

Seeking for Job: A parishioner who has the qualification of a Professional Teacher is searching for a private/government school or even individuals to teach in and around Kotei. Interested persons/institutions can contact 0206744951 or 0595421091.

Rent Accommodation 1. A parishioner is in need of a two-bedroom apartment around Maxima, Ayigya, Bomso, Ayeduase, Kotei, or Deduako. Please call on 0504741374 to help.

2. Please, help a parishioner who is in need of a chamber and a hall or a two-bedroom apartment around Bomso, Ayeduase New Site, Kotei, Deduako, etc. Contact her on 0508244463 / 0550269270.

<u>Rooms for Rent</u>: **1.** A Two-Bedroom apartment with bath, toilet, and kitchen at Nahiniso, closer to Kotei is ready for renting. Interested person should call 0547402059.

Fianke Renewable & Organics Ltd.: One of the safest ways to avoid the hospitals is by eating organic vegetables. Let's provide you, home vegetable gardens in containers with 10 to 12 different vegetable crops for your household. We will assist you to your first harvest for as long as you wish. Call us on 0559492181. Take your health at heart.

<u>Augen's Farm</u>: Broilers available for sale – Augen's Farm, located at Ahinsan Estate, adjacent Good Shepherd School is selling live chickens, cutting and dressing. Parishioners should call on 0553708034 or 0232143509 for help.

<u>Vegetables on Sale</u>: 100% Organic (no chemical) Vegetables are available at the Sisters of St. Louis Self-Reliant Project for the needy. Enjoy healthy vegetables and support the needy.

Venue – St. Louis Senior High School, behind the School Chapel. Contact 0244784394