

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 24/04/23 - 6:30AM

Acts 6:8-15 / Ps. 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 / Jn. 6:22-29 (Fidelis of Sigmarigen)

TUESDAY – 25/04/23 6:30AM & 6:30PM

1 Pt. 5:5b-14 / Ps. 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / Mk. 16:15-20 (St Mark the Evangelist)

WEDNESDAY – 26/04/23 6:30AM

Acts 8:1b-8 / Ps. 66:1-7 / Jn. 6:35-40

THURSDAY – 27/04/23 – 7:00PM

Acts 8:26-40 / Ps. 66:8-9, 16-17, 29 / Jn. 6:44-51

FRIDAY 28/04/23 — 6:30AM

Acts 9:1-20 / Ps. 117:1-2 / Jn. 6:52-59 (St. Peter Chanel / Louis Maria Grignon de Monfort)

SATURDAY – 29/04/23 – 7:00AM

Acts 9:31-42 / Ps. 116:12-17 / Jn. 6:60-69 (St. Catherine of Siena)

NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 30, 2023 – FOURTH 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
2:14A, 36-41**

RES. PSALM - PS. 23:1-6

**2ND READING – 1 PT. 2:20B
-25**

GOSPEL – JN. 10:1-10

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Christ With Us On The Way of Life

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter, Year (A). Through the Blood of Jesus, we have been delivered from the power of sin. Christ has made known to us the true way of life and ransomed us from the useless way of life handed down to us. We recognize Him in the Breaking of the Bread, the One whom God raised from the dead and who now sits at the right hand forever. He is with us today in the Breaking of Bread.

Week by week, as the Easter Season unfolds, various facets of the great gift of Easter are cherished and explored by the Church through her Liturgy. In today's readings, we hear a bold proclamation of the Resurrection, a moral exhortation for the newly baptized, and the story of the appearance of the Risen Jesus to two disciples on the road to Emmaus. In the first reading, set on the day of Pentecost, St Peter's proclamation to the people of Jerusalem explains that the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ are part of the plan of God, foretold by Sacred Scripture. We see here the Holy Spirit in action, empowering Peter to speak fearlessly. The Psalm calls us to confidence and communion with God that lasts beyond death. The second reading, from First Peter, exhorts the newly baptized that though they call God 'Father', they cannot presume to receive special treatment, because by nature God will be an impartial judge of their behaviour. As sojourners or pilgrims on earth, for our true home is heaven, believers are to obey God faithfully and never return to their former ways of life. Christian Baptism, for Peter, means being ransomed by the precious Blood of Christ, "the lamb without blemish".

In the Gospel, St Luke's power as a storyteller is richly illustrated by the sense of place, drama, and vivid psychological details of the narrative. Like St Peter in the Acts of the Apostles, the disciples on the road to Emmaus are reflecting on the recent events concerning Jesus. But here the Risen Lord Himself interprets these events in a way that stirs their deepest convictions and emotions – "Were not our hearts burning within us...?". We see in this episode the importance of the Old Testament (Scriptures) in understanding the Christ-event. Jesus helped the two disciples to look at the events connected to His life in the light of the prophecies of the Old Testament. This enlightened the minds of the disciples that their hearts were burning within them when they listened to Jesus. However, like other resurrection appearances, this one is marked by delayed recognition. They needed assistance from above in order to believe in the Resurrection. The assistance came through when Jesus broke the bread for them. When "He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them", their eyes were opened and they recognized Him.

The actions in which the two ordinary disciples, like any of us, recognize Jesus are the familiar ones that accompanied any Jewish meal, and which are highlighted in the feeding of the five thousand, and the last supper: taking, blessing, breaking, and giving. These four actions continue to be essential to the celebration of the Christian Eucharist. In fact, the entire story – including the dialogue with Jesus in which He explains the Scriptures, the meal in which "their eyes were opened" (an expression used six times in Luke, to indicate insight), and their joyful haste in going forth to share the Good News of the Resur-

rection – offers the pattern of the Eucharist/Mass that was to develop in the early Church. At the Eucharistic Table, we should recognize Jesus as our Lord and Master who gives Himself to us. We come to know the Lord through reflection on the Scriptures and the Rite of the Eucharist as a gathered community. The disciples' invitation to the "stranger" they have met on the road (Stay with us) has rich overtones of meaning in this context. It indicates the openness of the disciples to receive further revelation. And in a larger context, it points toward the Eucharistic Mystery, in which Jesus indeed continues to stay with us.

The Emmaus story assures us that the Risen Christ is near to all of us, to every single Christian, because we are all important to Him. As Peter says in the second reading, we are all ransomed by His very precious Blood. These two disciples to whom the Risen Lord came were not in Jerusalem, not in the Upper Room, not even near the garden tomb. They were on an ordinary road, travelling to a small village a few miles from Jerusalem whose location is not even certain anymore. This teaches us that the Risen Christ can join us wherever we are. We do not have to be in the great spiritual centres of the world. The Risen Lord can be part of our life wherever we are or at any point on the road of life as a child, teenager, young adult, adult, parent, or senior citizen. He can be with us anywhere in the world of work, whatever our occupation. He can be with us anywhere we are personally, in doubt, grief, joy, consternation, worry, or in distress. That is the "where" of the Emmaus story and Christ is there with us. Whoever we are, wherever we are in life, the Risen Lord is near us. We come to recognize His presence in the Breaking of the Bread, in the Mass throughout our life. This is why it is so important to stay close to the Mass in difficult times as well as in good times. We come to Mass at weddings, at funerals, at Christmas and Easter, in ordinary and extraordinary times. At Mass (our Emmaus), our eyes are opened and we realize that the Lord is really with us all the time, along the way.

Dear Students, as the Easter Season unfolds, many aspects of the Easter Gift to humanity are presented to us for reflection. Christ has ransomed us from the useless way of life and has made known to us the true way of life. We recognize Him and He is with us always in the Breaking of Bread, at Mass. As we continue or wrap up the End of Semester Examination, we pledge our closeness to you in payers. Fear not! Victory is assured, for the Risen Christ is with us. As always, do your best and your best will be enough. May the Peace of the Risen Lord enlighten us in our examinations and fill us with Easter Joy. God bless, protect, and keep us safe. May He grant all your efforts with success. Pax!

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.

Have a Fruitful and Blessed Week!

God bless and keep you safe.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

PASTORAL TEAM

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

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33

2nd Reading: Pt. 1:17-21

Gospel: Lk. 24:13-35



General Notices

Public Holiday: Tomorrow Monday April 24, 2023 is a Public Holiday. The Chaplaincy Office will not be opened. The day's Mass will be in the morning at 6.30am instead of 6.30pm. Please take note.

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

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. **NB:** You need to save the number to receive messages from the number on WhatsApp.

Dues (Membership) Cards and Registration: 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.

Collection of Food Items for St. Gregory Seminary at Parkoso: 1. The Archdiocese of Kumasi is organising the Yearly Food Collection for Seminarians at St. Gregory the Great Provincial Major Seminary at Parkoso. The Chaplaincy is supposed to send food items on behalf of the Archdiocese to the Seminary. In view of this, parishioners are entreated to bring non-perishable food items like Milo, Sugar, Milk, Nido, Biscuit, Oil, Rice, Gari, Sardines, Mackerel, Assorted Drinks, etc. to support them. The period for the collection is next Sunday April 30, 2023. Parishioners could also bring them

to the Chaplaincy Office.

2. There will also be a second collection to support the food items for the Seminarians. Please, give willingly and receive bountiful blessings from God.

Collection of Baptismal Cards: 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"**

Use of Washrooms: 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.

FUN FACT

The Blessed Sacrament has been taken up into space on the International Space Station at least twice by astronauts. The first known case was in 1994 and the second in 2013.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Liturgy Committee: Members of the Liturgy Committee will be meeting on Wednesday April 26, 2023 at the Msgr. Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall at 5.30pm prompt. All Liturgical Groups are entreated to be present at the meeting.

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.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): 1. The C.C.R. – Local members are being reminded that today Sunday April 23, 2023, there will be City Prayer Meeting at the Cathedral Basilica at exactly 2.00pm. In view of that there will be no Prayer Meeting at the Chaplaincy here today.

2. **Life in the Spirit Seminar (L.S.S.):** Groups and Societies who would like to organise Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS)

for her members should kindly contact P.E.T./Mr. Isaac Dwirah Jnr. on 0244090802.

Twii Catechism: It is announced to parishioners that Twii 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.

Dagaaba Mass: Members of the Dagaaba Union are informed that there will be Dagaaba Mass next Sunday April 30, 2023 at the Chaplaincy here at 1.00pm. All members are encouraged to be present at the Mass and also to bring Offertory Gifts.

Attire: Smock for the men and Lo Waja for the women.

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.

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, Twii 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.

Marriage Banns



Mr. Victor Asare, son of Mr. Augustine Asare and Mad. Philomena 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. **(3rd Announcement)**

Youth Corner

Youth Mass comes off this and every **Thursday** at **7pm**.

All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

This Tuesday the 25th of April, 2023 is the **last** Mass for Students for the semester. All students are entreated to be present.

Funeral Invitation

Mad. Susana Nkrumah, a parishioner is inviting parishioners to the funeral of her mother Obaapanin Georgina Afua Kraah as follows: lying in state on Saturday April 29, 2023 at OLF Parish Hall at 4.00am, burial Mass at OLF Catholic Church at 9.30am, burial follows, final funeral rites at the church premises from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday April 30, 2023 at 9.30am, family gathering on Monday May 1, 2023 at the Kurontihene's Palace – all at Sampa. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. **(Mad. Susana Nkrumah to be introduced)**

Sincere Thanks

Mr. Paul Anyim wishes to express his sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee and all parishioners for sympathizing with him during his bereavement. Go richly bless you.

Sale of Magazines – St. Gregory Seminary,

Parkoso: 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., Mampong

– 2023 Entrance Examination: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School, a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mampong (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.

Rooms for Rent: 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.

Augen's Farm: 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.

Vegetables on Sale: 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

Luxx Laundry Services: Luxx Laundry Services is equipped with modern machines such as washing machines and dryers that are efficient and provide excellent results. They offer their partners (Management, Staff and Students) the comfort of receiving their laundry the same day of collection, free pick-up and delivery service in and around KNUST. Location: Luxx Laundry Services is located at the Second Floor of the KNUST Jubilee Mall @ the Commercial Area and is open 24 hours. Contact them no: 0322067232 or 0501652923 for hassle-free laundry services. Absolute Quality every time.