

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 22/05/23 - 6:30AM

Acts 19:1-8 / Ps. 68:2-7 / Jn. 16:29-33 (Rita of Cascia)

TUESDAY – 23/05/23 6:30AM & 6:30PM

Acts 20:17-27 / Ps. 68:10-11, 20-21 / Jn. 17:1-11a

WEDNESDAY – 24/05/23 6:30AM

Acts 20:28-38 / Ps. 68:29-30, 33-36 / Jn. 17:11b-19

THURSDAY – 25/05/23 – 6:30AM

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Ps. 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 / Jn. 17:20-26 (Bede the Venerable & Gregory VII)

FRIDAY 26/05/23 — 6:30AM

Acts 25:13b-21 / Ps. 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 / Jn. 21:15-19 (Philip Neri)

SATURDAY – 27/05/23 – 7:00AM

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / Ps. 11:5-6, 8 / Jn. 21:20-25 (Augustine of Canterbury)

NEXT SUNDAY MAY 28, 2023 – PENTECOST SUNDAY (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 2:1-11

RES. PSALM - PS. 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34

2ND READING – 1 COR. 12:3B-7, 12-13

GOSPEL – JN. 20:19-23

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Gathered Together In Prayerful Anticipation of the Spirit

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter, Year (A), the Sunday after the Ascension of the Lord. The Risen Lord, King of Glory and Conqueror of sin and death, has ascended to the Father and our Father, forty days after His Resurrection. A sure hope that where He (the Head) has gone before us, we (the Body) will one day follow to live forever in the Kingdom of our Father. As the Mediator between God and humanity, Jesus Christ ascended not to distance Himself from our lowly state but we, His members, might be confident of following where He, our Head and Founder, has gone before. Having ascended to His Father amid cries of gladness, we are to be His witnesses for we have been gifted with His Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation. Hence, our commissioning to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in His name, reminding them that He is always present through His Spirit. Ascension reminded us to live in a manner worthy of the call we have received from the Lord. Christ's glorious Ascension strengthens our faith in His Resurrection and renews our hope for our future glorious life in heaven.

The readings of this weekend remind us of the Spirit of Prayer and Praise. Christ prayed in the Spirit, and the Holy Spirit is the source of the prayer and praise of the whole Church. The same Spirit of God is resting on us as we gather to offer our sacrifice of praise. Having completed the work of His Father, Jesus speaks of returning to Him and of being glorified. As we share in Christ's glory, so too do we share in His suffering. We have nothing to fear, however, since the Lord is our refuge. In His name do we gather, attentive to the Spirit. It is the Church, gathered together in prayerful anticipation of the Spirit's ever-new advent, which shows forth the gift of unity that is both the sign and the instrument of the coming Kingdom. It clearly indicates that while believers are in the world, they are not of the world, but for the world.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles simply depicts the Church, after the Ascension of Jesus and before the coming of the Holy Spirit, united in a state of prayerful expectancy. The eleven are named, as is Mary the mother of Jesus. The composition of the assembled community included other women and Jesus' "brothers", illustrating that the community was neither all-male nor limited to the eleven apostles. They gathered together in prayer to indicate their spiritual unity. This gathering together is so significant and crucial to every believing community and follower of Christ because the prayerful union of believers is their strength.

The advice to "rejoice" in suffering which we hear in First Peter is not a counsel of masochism. Rather, it is an accurate description of the Christian experience. The experience of the faithful suffering is a gateway to some of the most profound aspects of the mystery of our redemption such as a radical trustworthiness of God, and growth in capacities for compassion and solidarity with others. Christ Himself is the font of rejoicing. But the way to Christ is through the Cross. The author is careful to point out that there are two kinds of suffering: one which we bring on ourselves by doing evil; and another simply because of our adherence to Christ and all that it implies. The first is to be

avoided absolutely. The second is to be embraced unconditionally. It is the Spirit who enables us to do this.

The "Priestly Prayer" of Jesus at the Last Supper, of which today's Gospel is a part, has a highly charged immediacy that draws the listener into the dialogue of Jesus with His heavenly Father. In this lengthy prayer, He speaks about His coming death and glorification as a present reality, as if we have stepped into the "eternal now" of God. In this, we realize that Christ coming glorification and the fulfilment of His mission are intertwined with the fate of His disciples. He prays in an intimate way about the disciples whom He will leave behind. They remain present to God because they belong to God, have been personally entrusted to Jesus, and have received the message Jesus came to share with the world. In a passage that so frequently speaks of glory as an attribute of God and the works of God, it is striking that Jesus says His "followers" are the ones in whom He is glorified. Drawn into full intimacy with God the Father by the Son, these treasured disciples have become part of the mystery of God's love and are thus the place where Jesus is glorified.

Jesus does not bequeath His disciples any material inheritance, that can be stolen, misused, destroyed, or litigate against. Rather, He prays to the Father to grant them eternal life. Thus, Jesus registers those who accept His message on the "Eternal Life Assurance Policy". With a life assurance company, one has to indicate the premium of one's choice, that is the amount to be paid; how often it must be paid; mode of payment (cash, bank order, etc.). In our case, the amount Jesus paid is priceless, the frequency is "once and for all", and the mode of payment is through His most Precious Blood. While some do not live long enough to enjoy the benefits from earthly assurance companies, with Eternal Life Assurance Policy even death is a gain: the beginning of enjoying the ultimate benefit. Fear not! Christ prays for us to see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.

We are in the Pentecost Novena, a period of prayer in anticipation of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Get involved! A highly recommended hymn for this time is "Veni, Creator Spiritus".

Dear Students, we hope you arrived safely from your vacation and are settled already. We thank God for journey mercies upon and pray the same for those yet to come. In prayerful union, we anticipate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, to comfort and strengthen us on our faith journey. Know that, our gathering together, especially on Sundays, as a Church shows forth the gift of unity that is both the sign and instrument of God's Kingdom. May God bless, protect, and keep us safe through the semester. Welcome! 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 – 02499999616
 Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221
 Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin SJ – 0277154777
 Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako – 0501154065
 CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Acts 1:12-14

2nd Reading: 1 Pt. 4:113-16

Gospel: Jn. 17:1-11a



General Notices

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

May, the Marian Month: As we enter into the month of May being the Marian Month, parishioners are encouraged to pray the Rosary at home as one family.

Pentecost Novena: Program for the Pentecost Novena starts today Sunday May 21, 2023 with a Launch at all Masses. It continues on Monday May 22, 2023 and ends on Friday May 26, 2023. The theme for the program is *"The Role of the Holy Spirit in God's Plan of Salvation"* (Act 2:4a). The program starts at 6:30pm each evening with Praises and Worship followed by Talk as follows:

Mon. 22/05/23 -Talk:" The Work of the Holy Spirit in God's plan for Humanity" (Gen. 1:26-27, Lk. 1:26-38)

Tue. 23/05/23 -Talk: "The Manifestation of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2.)

Wed. 24/05/23 -Talk: "Christ gave up His Holy Spirit" (Jn. 20:22)

Thur. 25/05/23 -Talk: "The Joint Mission of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit" (Gal. 4:4-9)

Fri. 26/05/23 - Talk: "You shall be my Witness" (Acts 1:8)

NB: All the Weekday Masses will be in the morning at 6.30pm. except Saturday which will be in the morning at 7.00am Parishioners should please take note and avail themselves for this spiritual program.

Sick/Aged/Homebound/Infirm Parishioners: We are appealing to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and house addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirm 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 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 Swiss Papal Guards are the Swiss soldiers who serve as bodyguards to the Pope. Established in 1506 under Pope Julius II, they are among the oldest military units in continuous operation.

Committees, Groups & Societies

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): Members are being reminded that today Sunday May 21, 2023, there will be Prayer Meeting at the Chaplaincy here at the usual meeting place. Members are encouraged to be present and on time 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.

Chaplaincy Marriage Enrichment Program: The programme on Marriage and Family Life scheduled for May 25, 2023 has been postponed. A new date will be communicated. The Ministry is sorry for any inconvenience caused.

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 knustcatholic-chaplaincy@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, 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.

Marriage Banns



: **Mr. Samuel Kofi Asare**, son of Mr. Edward Kofi Asare and Mad. Comfort Oforiwaa Addo, born at Kwahu-Atibie, residing at Nkawkaw, and **Ms. Patience Aba Hagan**, daughter of Mr. John Alex Hagan and Mrs.

Vida Hagan, born at Assin-Nyankomase, used to reside at Kokoben, now residing at Brofoyedu, Kumasi. **(2nd 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 Saturday, 27th May 2023 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 Announcement & Invitation

Funeral Announcement: 1. We announce the funeral of Mad. Mary Gyekye Konadu, a parishioner and member of the Christian Mothers' Association as follows: laying in state on Saturday May 27, 2023 at her residence at Appiadu, near the Community Centre at 5.00am, burial Mass at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Appiadu at 9.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at Appiadu Durbar Grounds from 1.30pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday May 27, 2023 at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Appiadu at 9.00am, final funeral rites at Appiadu Durbar Grounds from 1.30pm to 6.00pm, Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

2. We announce the death of Obaapanin Theresa Kankam (a.k.a. Abena Konadu), a parishioner and member of the Christian Mothers' Association. The One-Week observation will be held on Thursday May 25, 2023 at H/No. Plt.8, Blk. 1, Bomso, from 6.00am to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Funeral Invitation: Mr. Kingsley Ohemeng, a parishioner and member of the Youth Choir is inviting parishioners to the funeral of his mother Mrs. Gladys Kwakye Ohemeng as follows: there will be wake-keeping on Friday May 26, 2023, laying in state on Saturday May 27, 2023, burial follows, final funeral rites at the funeral grounds from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving service on Sunday at the Presbyterian Church of Ghana – Emmanuel Congregation, family gathering on Monday May 29 – all at Akyem Chia in the Eastern Region. Parishioners are invited to mourn with Mr. Kingsley Ohemeng and his family. **(Mr. Kingsley Ohemeng to be introduced)**

Sincere Thanks

1. The Organisers of the Women's Week and Mothers' Day celebration wish to express their sincere appreciation to the Chaplain, Parish Council, the woman who spoke on Thursday and those who preached on Sunday and all women in the Chaplaincy here for making the program a success. They pray that the good Lord will continuously bless you all.
2. The Sarfo-Mensah Family wish to offer their sincere thanks to parishioners for their support during the funeral of their father Pharm. Sarfo-Mensah.
3. Mad. Mary Alhassan wishes to express her sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee and all who sympathised and supported her during her bereavement. She prays for God's blessing for you.
4. The Family and Children of Ohenenana Yaa Akyeampomaa Nimako (a.k.a. Mad. Hannah Akyeamponmaa) are expressing their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Christian Mothers' Association and individual parishioners for sympathising and supporting them during her burial and funeral. They pray that the good Lord continues to bless you.

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.

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.

2. A Chamber and Hall self-contain apartment is ready for rent at Kotei Deduako-Apemso. Please, call on these numbers for help: 0558330643 / 0205090161 / 0201144825

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.