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MASS SCHEDULE

**MONDAY, 23/10/2023 –
6.30PM**

Rom. 4:20-25 / Ps. Lk. 1:69-75 / Lk. 12:13-21 (St. John of Capistrano)

**TUESDAY, 24/10/2023 -
6:30PM**

Rom. 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 / Ps. 40:7-10, 17 / Lk. 12:35-38 (Anthony Mary Claret)

**WEDNESDAY, 25/10/2023 -
6.30PM**

Rom. 6:13-18 / Ps. 124:1-8 / Lk. 12:39-48

**THURSDAY, 26/10/23 -
6:30PM**

Rom. 6:19-23 / Ps. 1:1-4, 6 / Lk. 12:49-53

FRIDAY, 27/10/23 - 6.30PM

Rom. 7:18-25a / Ps. 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94 / Lk. 12:54-59

SATURDAY, 28/10/23 - 7.00AM

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

**NEXT SUNDAY OCTOBER
29, 2023 – 30TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME (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 - Ex. 22:20-26

**RES. PSALM - Ps. 18:2-4, 47,
51**

**2ND READING - 1 THESS. 1:5c-
10**

GOSPEL - MATT. 22:34-40

Are You Robbing God to Pay Caesar?

To the Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, KNUST, in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and Peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of Faith, labour of Love, and endurance in Hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know God has chosen you; for the Gospel does not come to you in Word alone, but also in Power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. I pray you associate yourself with this warm greeting!

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A). The readings call us to a sober reflection and self-examination of the Absolute Sovereignty of God. It is an invitation to reflect on how we practically “give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God”. For the Psalmist, our Lord is King and there is no other. Therefore, we are to render to God fitting praise and service, as is God’s due. God’s Word to us, in turn, is a matter of power and strength, to be lived with much conviction of heart. As we pray for Mission today, let us also contribute towards the Mission of the Church in spreading the Gospel.

Our God is indeed the Lord of History. He is King. Earthly rulers, and political regimes, Cyrus or Caesar, are called by God to reveal something of His power and majesty and His plan for humanity. But they only hold their power for a day. Our concern is not with them, but with God whom we worship. The prophet Isaiah, in our first reading, proclaims the universal sovereignty of God even over the most powerful of earthly rulers, Cyrus, the pagan king of Persia, and their gods. It was God who “grasped the king by his right hand” and used him to accomplish His plan and purpose. It is remarkable to hear a pagan referred to as God’s “anointed”, a term used only for kings, prophets, and priests in Israel. God is understood in Israel’s religious thought to be the Lord of history, in control of the fate of nations as well as the forces of nature. This is important in the consolidation of the absolute Monotheism of the Jewish people (“I am the Lord and there is no other, there is no God besides me”). God holds power over the entire earth.

This doctrinal focus on the first commandment is further supported by Jesus’ teaching regarding the competing claims of civil and religious authority in the Gospel. The coin Jesus asked for (he apparently did not have one; his opponents did) had the image of Caesar on it, in addition to an inscription proclaiming Caesar as sovereign. For the pious Jew, schooled in the prohibition of graven images, such a coin was a constant reminder of the idolatrous claims of Caesar. Jesus scored a point against His adversaries merely by the fact that they carried such an idolatrous image. Their possession of the coin of tribute was evocative of the many ways they collaborated with their Roman overlords. Jesus’ clever response meant “Give back to Caesar his idolatrous coin; have nothing to do with it. Give to God his due – everything, including your very self”. Thus, rather than engaging in a superficial dispute over the separation of Church and State, Jesus reasserts the absolute claim of Jewish Monotheism, namely, that all earthly powers are subject to Yahweh’s Sovereignty. Allegiance to earthly rulers who hold economic and political dominion must not stop God’s people from giving their total allegiance to God who holds spiritual dominion. Nothing therefore should compete with God for our attention, time, and resources. God must come first.

As the Jewish officials began to muster up evidence for the condemnation of Jesus, there was no better response given to them than what Jesus gave. This response continues to reverberate in our minds and hearts. Hence, the need for sober reflection and self-examination: on those moments when we spend the time and resources meant for God on other personal runs; when we refuse to contribute to Church development because of some other commitments or excuses. There is, certainly, time for everything. The truth is that we cannot actually rob God, but we do rob ourselves of some spiritual and physical favours and benefits when we divert, withhold, or short-change our resources meant for God and His worship into personal comfort. As is usually said, “You cannot rob Peter to pay Paul”. Undoubtedly, we have no excuse to deny God what is His due. We have an obligation to Caesar and an obligation to God. We need to work out the balance between the two. Our civil duties cannot be used as an excuse for neglecting our duties to God. Our faith does not excuse us from doing what we should as citizens, neither should our responsibilities as citizens ever prevent us from doing our duty to God.

Jesus does not throw us into confusion as to our loyalty or allegiance to worldly powers and to God. What He teaches is that we have a responsibility to our Nation, to the political government. We must respect the political, temporal authority over us. But more than anything temporal, our total obligation is to God who made heaven and earth. Everything belongs to God. There should be no enmity between God and the human state. Political leaders have their place and dues, but God owns us all. God can use anyone to achieve His purpose – more so if we are better placed in society. We must make a positive impact just as Cyrus did. Like Cyprus, we are chosen vessels of God and we must return to Him whom we truly belong. Hence, we should never be lost in the crowd, advancing a “pull him/her down syndrome”, as exhibited by the Pharisee in the Gospel, forgetting that we are mere vessels in the hands of the Almighty God and should return the same to God without prejudice to other responsibilities. How fair and just are you when it comes to giving to God and His Church, to others – including your spouse, children, grandchildren, family, partner, friends, peers, colleagues, subordinates, superiors, office, work, job – and yourself? Let Caesar be Caesar, but let God be God!

We are united in prayers for our brethren who are suffering as a result of the spillage of the Volta dam. Let us all contribute in kind and cash to alleviate their pain and suffering. God bless you.

We share the joys of all our school leavers. Take good care of yourselves and lend a helping hand at home. Render to Caesar the things of Caesar, and to God the things of God: Do not rob God to pay Caesar! Do not forget your Bibles and Catechism. Be interested in knowing more about God, His Church, and our Moral Life. Please, let your presence be felt in your parishes; the Church needs you most! May God crown our efforts with success. God bless, protect, and keep us safe. Pax!

Please be reminded to stay well, healthy, and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Remember to observe the safety protocols. 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 Baghrmwin SJ—0277154777
Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako — 0501154065
CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655
CHAPLAINCY WEBSITE: www.knustcatholic.org

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Isa. 45:1, 4-6

2nd Reading: 1 Thess. 1:1-5b

Gospel: Matt. 22:15-21





FUN FACT

The Camerlengo of the Holy Roman Church is an office of the papal household that administers the property and revenues of the Holy See. Kevin Farrell has been Camerlengo since his appointment by Pope Francis on 14 February 2019.

Adjusted Working Hours: The University authorities have adjusted the working hours from 8.00am to 1.00pm instead of the normal working hours of 8.00am to 5.00pm, effective Monday September 26, 2023 to Tuesday October 31, 2023 and resume on Wednesday November 1, 2023. The Chaplaincy Office will adhere to this adjustment. Please, kindly take note.

Notice of Sunday Announcements: Kindly note that all announcements to be made at Mass on Sunday should reach the Chaplaincy Office by noon on Friday. This is to aid in the proper dissemination of information. Parishioners are to kindly take note.

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

Rosary Month: October is the Rosary month and we are reminded to pray our Rosary. All the weekday Masses are in the evening at 6.30pm. and as a community, we shall meet at 6.00pm each day to pray the Rosary before the Mass starts at 6.30pm. All parishioners are encouraged to be part of the Rosary Prayers.

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 Cat-

echists 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.

Appeal for Support for Dam Spillage Victims: The Caritas Office of CAK and the Archbishop of the Archdioceses of Kumasi are appealing to all parishioners and people of goodwill to donate in (cash and kind) today Sunday October 22, 2023 to alleviate the plight of all flood victims. Please donate cash to the Archdiocesan Finance Office (or via MO-MO No. 0244724026 – Fr. Michael Akowuah and indicate flood victims). You can also call Fr. Asante (0244225110) to pick up donated items.

These donations are not restricted to this Sunday only. Your discretion is highly respected.

Dumping of Refuse in front of the Chaplaincy Office: The Chaplaincy Office is pleading with parishioners (Groups/Societies/Individuals) who are in the habit of dumping refuse in front of the Chaplaincy Office to please use the refuse dump at the back of the building instead of the front view of the office. We hope we will all adhere to this. Thank you.

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”**

Chaplaincy Cloth on Sale: The Chaplaincy Office has a large quantity of the Chaplaincy Cloth on sale. Please, visit the Chaplaincy Office for yours.

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.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Liturgy Committee: There will be a meeting on Wednesday October 25, 2023 at the Msgr. Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall at **5.00pm**. All representatives of various Liturgical Groups are entreated to come early since there will be Rosary Prayers and Mass at 6.00pm.

Laity Council: Submission of 2022 Laity Week Evaluation Questionnaire: Laity Council is expecting all Groups and Societies to submit the 2022 Laity Week Questionnaires which were sent to them.

Harvest Committee: 1. Representatives to 2023 Harvest Committee –. We are calling on all groups and societies to nominate their representatives and to encourage them to attend the 2023 Harvest Committee Meetings. **2. Payment of 2023 Harvest Levies:** Sincere thanks from Harvest Committee to all parishioners for their contributions to the 2023 Annual Harvest and Thanksgiving thus far. The Committee is encouraging all parishioners to pay their

2023 Harvest Levies.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): 1. Members are being reminded that today Sunday October 22, 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 their members should kindly contact P.E.T./Mr. Isaac Dwirah Jnr. on 0244090802.

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.

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

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



: **1. Nana Baffoe Biney**, son of Mr. George Biney and Mad. Ellen Opoku, born at Tema, now residing at Borteyman, Accra and **Ms. Emanuella Kumah (Sarpong)**, daughter of Mr. Dickson Kumah and Mad. Rose Asebi Antwi, born in Kumasi, resided at Ayigya, now residing at North Legon, Accra (**2nd Announcement**)

2. Mr. Samuel Kojo Koranteng, son of Mr. Gilbert Okraku Darko and Mrs. Mary Darko, born in Accra, residing in Canada and **Ms. Sandra Asantewaa Boateng**, daughter of Mr. Francis Manu Boateng and Mrs. Faustina Boateng, born at Buokrom Estate – Kumasi, resided at KNUST, now residing in Canada. (**1st Announcement**)

3. Mr. Paul Dokey, son of Mr. Kwame Dokey and Mrs. Angela Dokey, born at Togo-Tasvie, resided at Emena, now residing at Yaw Nkrumah and **Ms. Janet Akpa**, daughter of Mr. Kwaku Akpa and Mad. Hellena Nuogbo, born at Togo-Tsavie, resided at Emena, now residing at Yaw Nkrumah. (**1st Announcement**)

Youth Corner

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

Pax Corner

Funeral Announcements

Funeral Announcement: **1.** We announce the funeral of Mr. Lawrence Kuliere Nantuuro (a.k.a. NAT) a parishioner as follows: laying in state on Saturday October 28, 2023 at the KNUST Swimming Pool Site, burial Mass at the Chaplaincy at 9.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at the KNUST Swimming Pool Site from 12noon to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday October 29, 2023 at the Chaplaincy. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Funeral Invitation: **1.** Ms. Bernadette Agbavor, a parishioner and a Sunday School Teacher invites parishioners to the funeral of her father Mr. Stephen Korsi Agbavor as follows: requiem Mass on Saturday October 28, 2023 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral – Parish, Ho Bankoe at 9.00am, final funeral rites at the church premises from 12noon to 6.00pm, thanksgiving and memorial Mass on Sunday October 29, 2023 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral – Parish, Ho Bankoe. (**Ms. Bernadette Agbavor to be introduced**)

2. Ms. Anastasia Nkrumah Arthur, a parishioner is inviting parishioners to mourn with her and her bereaved family for the funeral of her mother Mad. Abena Kumiwaa on Saturday October 28, 2023 at Bekoso in the Central Region of Ajumako Enyan Esiam District. (**Ms. Anastasia Nkrumah Arthur to be introduced**)

Sincere Thanks

Mad. Helena Edusei and family wish to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplain and parishioners for your prayers during the one-year anniversary of the death of her son Mr. Frank Adu Asamoah. They ask for God's blessings for you all.

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.

Mist Blower Machines: A parishioner is selling Mist Blower Machines at affordable prices. It is used perfectly for plant spraying and fumigation. Interested parishioners should contact this number: 0558212546 (Maame Nyarko).

Admission 1. 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.

Honey for Sale: A parishioner has some Pure Honey for sale. Contact: 0240776529.

Harvest 2023 Levies

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Senior Members/Business Men & Women	-	500.00
Senior Staff	-	300.00
Junior Staff/House Wife	-	150.00
Tertiary Students-Univ./Poly./Post Sec.	-	50.00
Senior High/Tech. Schools	-	30.00
Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten	-	20.00

Job Opportunity: : 1. 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 call 0558522551 or 0208115349.

2. A parishioner is looking for a female to work as a house help. Please interested persons should contact her on 0202027360 / 0208198270 for help.

3. A vocational school leaver is needed for employment with a Food Service Company. She must live around KNUST, be pleasant and ready to work for long hours. Interested persons must call 0244759985.

Louisville Drinking Water: Louisville Drinking Water is looking for a fulltime truck and tricycle drivers to work approximately 48 hours a week, should have at least two years driving experience, required to have a Class 'C' Driver's License, excellent driving skills and must be at least 18 years old. Interested persons should send their applications and CV to the Manager, Louisville Drinking Water, situated at St. Louis Senior High School, Oduom. They also need sales girls/woman. Contact the following numbers: 0244805779 / 0204020362.

House 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 one bedroom and a small room (boys' quarters) at Fumesua, near Noda Hotel is ready for renting. Interested person should call 0277712314 for help.

3. A 3-bedroom including a master bedroom is ready for accommodation at Apirade, near the Church of Pentecost. Interested persons should please call 0240428478 for help.

4. A 3-bedroom flat with a borehole water facility is available for rent at Appiadu. Interested persons should contact 0243049675.

5. A 3-bedroom newly built house is available for renting at Anwomaso. Interested persons should contact 0208178286 / 0245021581.

6. A 3-bedroom flat with kitchen, bath and toilet rooms is ready for occupation at Ayeduase New Site, opposite Rhema Salvation Ministry on the KNUST-Ayeduase Road, suitable for 3 students. Interested persons can call 0244416770/ 0502693796.

Rent Accommodation: 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. A lady Service Personnel is in need of a single room apartment around Oforikrom, Susuanso, Bomso, Ayigya, Ayeduase, Kotei, or Deduako. Please call on 050-1659081 to help her.

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.

Homecare Service Wanted: A female parishioner (around 25 years) is wanted to take care of a home (children and the aged). Please call 024-7503546.

Insurance Company: A leading General Insurance Company seeks to recruit interested persons as Insurance Sales and Marketing Executives to help drive the Company's sales. The Job location will be Kumasi.

Job Summary: The Insurance Sales and Marketing Executive will sell Vehicle, Home and other types of non-life insurance policies.

Education and Experience: Bachelor's Degree or HN|D.

Sales experience will be an added advantage.

Interested applicants should call 0559190821 / 0501392199.

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.