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Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity (Year B)

*Readings: Act 2:1-11; Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34; 1Cor 12:3-7,12-13; Jn 20:19-23*

**The Holy Trinity: Call to Love, Unity, and Communion**

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was and who is to come”. Today, Holy Mother the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy and Ineffable Trinity: that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are each, equally and eternally, the One True God. It is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. The Baptismal formula given to us in Matthew’s Gospel by Christ is Trinitarian. Thus, we are all baptised into the Trinitarian life of love, communion, and unity. The Church receives this mandate and acts according to the Spirit’s direction. The unity of the Trinity is the most perfect paradigm for every human family and community. This unity invites us to give up dehumanizing racial, ethnic and tribal differences and inhuman cultural affiliations. The Spirit of love calls us to appreciate and promote our oneness in God, despite our various religious and societal inclinations.

One enters into the salvation offered by God being baptised in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Our Faith as followers of Jesus, as Christians, rest upon the foundation of the Trinity. It is important to note that at baptism we are baptized in the “name”, not the “names”, for we hold that there is only One God. The Trinity is said to be the central mastery of our Christian life and faith because it is the mystery of God’s very self. It is therefore the fount of all the other mysteries of faith. While the Church’s articulation of the doctrine of the Trinity evolved in response to misunderstandings and heretical movement, it evolved fairly quickly, being fixed within the first four centuries of the Church. It rests not only upon our conviction but on experience of God as Father, as Son and as Holy Spirit, one God, three Divine Persons. This experience was expressed, from the beginning, in the baptismal formula, in Scripture (such as 2Cor 13:13, Eph 4:4-6), in preaching, catechesis, and the prayer of the Church.

There is some specific doctrinal terminology associated with explanations of the Trinity: the word “substance” (also “essence” or “nature”) indicates the divine being in its unity; the term “person” (also hypostasis) designates the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit in the real distinction among them; and the word “relation” indicates that their distinction lies in the relationship of each to the others. In using this terminology, the Church clarifies important aspects of the teaching on the Trinity. First, the Trinity is One. We do not believe in three Gods, but one God in three persons, that is, divinity is not divided between the three. Each of the persons of the Trinity is God, whole and complete, such that each of them is that same reality of divine substance, essence, or nature.

Second, the divine persons of the Trinity are really distinct from one another, that is, God is truly one but not solidary. Thus, the person of the Father is distinct from that of the Son, the Son is distinct from the Father, and the Spirit is distinct from Father and Son. Third, the divine persons of the Trinity are relative to one another. Because the divine unity is not divided by the persons, the distinction between them arises solely from the relationships which relate them to one another.

The mystery of the Trinity is reflected in the way in which the Church prays. All of the longer endings of the formal prayers in the Sacramentary, after being addressed to the Father, conclude with “We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever”. We begin Mass and every liturgical celebration, conclude our Prayers and bless ourselves with the Trinitarian formula. The Church proclaims and blesses the Trinity always, in whom we know the Maker of all things seen and unseen, the Saviour of all both near and far, and the Holy Spirit the sanctifier and giver of life to all there is.

The readings of this Sunday remind us that the Lord God is one, there is no other. We have been chosen as His own, and through the Holy Spirit, are able to call God, *Abba*, Father. Through the grace of baptism all nations and people are called to share in the life of the Son and acknowledge the Triune God. The first reading gives us the assurance that the God of the Bible, the God we believe in and serve, is different from the gods of the pagans and from those worshipped by other religions: He is never far away. He takes interest in our problems, challenges, difficulties, and intervenes in our lives. God is very close to you and me. He is close to us in many ways as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is a privilege and power for us Christians to know God as all three: God who creates and sustains, who redeems and who makes holy. The Trinity is a mystery to be believed and lived, and not a concept to be explained. The Trinity invites us to live the virtues of faith, hope, and love and practice values of self-sacrifice and self-giving. To celebrate the Trinity is live out the unity, harmony, communion, love and order that exist in the Trinity. St. Paul thus calls on us, who are led by the Spirit of God and are His sons and daughters, to live our lives as God’s children, fellow heirs with Christ, and call God *Abba*. This same God is presented to us as a family of God, a family open to receive all. May the undivided unity of the Trinity be our guide as we foster communion as true children of the One God.

Beloved, we have two days to end the Rosary Month. Let these two days count in your prayer life. You are invited to climax the Rosary Month with the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Monday, at the 6:30pm Mass. May Mary journey with us.

Please, remember to stay well, healthy and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Wear your nose mask and observe all the safety protocols. Your life is dear to us. God bless and keep you safe.

May the Most Holy Trinity heal us and keep us well, healthy and safe.

Happy Feast of the Most Holy Trinity! Have a Blessed and Joyful Week.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

**TRINITY SUNDAY (SOLEMNITY) – NINETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**CHURCH NOTICES:**

**Weekday Masses and Readings are as follows:**

Monday, 31/05/21 – 6:30pm -Zeph. 3:14-18 / Ps. Is 12:2-6 / Lk. 1:39-56 (Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth)

Tuesday, 01/06/21- 6:30am/7:00pm -Tob. 2:9-14 / Ps. 112:1-2, 7-9 / Mk. 12:13-17 (Justin)

Wednesday, 02/06/21 – 6:30am - Tob. 3:1-11a, 16-17a / Ps. 25:2-9 / Mk. 12:18-27 (Marcellinus and Perter)

Thursday, 03/06/21 – 7:00pm -Tob. 6:10-11; 7:1, 9-17; 8:4-9a / Ps. 128:1-5 / Mk. 12:28-34 (Charles Lwanga and his Companions)

Friday, 04/06/21 – 6:30am -Tob. 11:5-17 / Ps. 146:2, 7-10 / Mk. 12:35-37

Saturday, 05/06/21 – 7:00pm -Tob. 12:1, 5-15, 20 / Ps. Tob. 13:2. 6-8 / Mk. 12:38-44 (Boniface)

Please come early to go through the Safety Protocols.

**Next Sunday June 6, 2021 – Solemnity of The Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (B): Usual 5 Masses.**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Ex. 24:3-8

Res. Psalm. – Ps. 116:12-13, 16-18

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Heb. 9:11-15

Gospel – Mk. 14:12-16, 22-26

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

**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 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:** We have a large quantity of the Chaplaincy's Cloth on sale. The cost goes for Twelve Ghana Cedis (GH12.00) per a yard. Parishioners/Students who do not have or whose are old should please go to the Chaplaincy Office for theirs.

**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.

**Reverting to the old system of taking Collection:** The Chaplaincy, will from next Sunday June 6, 2021, revert to the old system of taking collection during Mass. Please all parishioners should take note.

**One Parish Tree Planting Project:** The Catholic Archdiocese of Kumasi – Research and Innovations Committee (RICE) presents One Parish Tree Planting Project – 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Laudato Si.

**Sincere Thanks:** Mr. & Mrs. Barton-Oduro wish to express their sincere gratitude to the Chaplain, Catechists, Mass Servers, Ushers, St. John International, St. Theresa of the Child Jesus and the entire church in sharing their joy in their Holy Matrimony. God bless you all.

### **COMMITTEES, GROUPS AND SOCIETIES**

**Pax Romana – 1. Catechism for Students:** All students who want to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation are been informed that classes have resumed at Room 5 at the Baffoe Complex this and every Sunday at 4:00pm.

**2. Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS):** All students who would want to be enrolled in the Life in the Spirit Seminar are been informed that it has commenced on this Saturday and Sunday at 4:00pm at the Sarpong Hall.

**Sunday School Classes:** Parishioners (Parents/Guardians) are being informed that Sunday School Classes resumed. However, only children from the Pre-Communion Class (age 7-9) to the Confirmation Class are admitted. Children in the Nursery Class are not starting now due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. You should also take note that Catechumens who were prepared for last year will be allowed to receive the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion. All new entrants would have to wait for the next period. Parents must ensure that their children wear their Nose Masks and come with water bottles, if possible. Please bear with us.

**TwI Catechism – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation Classes:** All parishioners who were attending 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation Classes last year and had to stop due to the Covid-19 Pandemic are all expected to resume classes this and every Tuesday at 5.00pm. Please take note.

**Charismatic Renewal (Local):** Members of the Local CCR are being informed of their usual meeting. Please take note.

**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.

**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.

**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 GHC30.00.

**Sale of Magazines:** Parishioners are been informed that come next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, Seminarians from Pedu will visit the Chaplaincy to sell their Magazines. We are all entreated to patronise the magazines when they come.

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 someone preferably 'a Farmer' to take care of his farms for him. Interested persons should please come to the Chaplaincy Office.

4. **Holy Family School** at Ahensan Estate, near the Ahensan Youth Centre and behind the Mc Kenzie Hospital is looking for Care Givers and Teachers. Interested persons should kindly leave their application letters at the school premises or the Chaplaincy Office and also call any of these numbers: 0208168643 / 0209488403.

**Rent Accommodation:** 1. A parishioner needs a single room apartment around Bomso, Maxima, The Cabin and Sussanso. Please, call to help him/her on 0248588860.

2. A parishioner is in need of a single room accommodation to rent for occupation. Please, call and help him on: 0548991681 / 0553605278. Thank you.

3. A 3 Bedroom Flat with hall, kitchen, toilet, bathroom, spacious frontage veranda overlooking Phimady Pub located at Ayeduase New Site on the Main Road opposite Rhema Salvation Ministry is available for Rent from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021. For further enquiry, please contact: 0244416770 / 0502693796

**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.

**MARRIAGE BANNES:** 1. **Mr. Simon Arthur**, son of Mr. John Arthur and Mad. Mary Akwenzi, born at Dixcove, resided at KNUST, Kumasi, now residing at Esiam and **Ms. Matilda Mensah Nkpenu**, daughter of Mr. Mathias Mensah Nkpenu and Mad. Gladys Abiti, born at Fumesua, resided at Tarkwa, now residing at Ayigya. (3rd Announcement)

**Funeral Announcement:** 1. We announce the death of Mad. Mary Dasumda, a parishioner and member of the Frafra Grushie Christian Mothers' Association. The One Week Observation is today Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at the Aboabo Station at Ayigya (Near Affordable Housing) from 6:00am to 6:00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

2. We announce the funeral of Mr. Octavio Dabuo Yirtiereh, a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Union and St. Peter's Choirmaster and also the husband of Mrs. Georgina Ziem Yirtiereh also a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Union as follows: lying in state on Saturday June 5, 2021 at his residence – Ayeduase New Site, behind K5 Guest House at 4.30am, burial Mass at the Chaplaincy at 9.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at Ayeduase School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday June 6, 2021 at the Chaplaincy at 10.30am, family gathering after Mass at Ayeduase School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. (**Mrs. Georgina Ziem Yirtiereh and children to be introduced**).

3. We announce the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Baffoe, a parishioner which occurred on Monday May 24, 2021 at the Emena Hospital. The one-week observation would be announced later.

**Funeral Invitation:** 1. Ms. Patricia Gyamfi, a parishioner and member of the Theresian International announces the funeral of her mother, **Mrs Comfort Gyamfi** as follows: Filling Past on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Nkwabeng-Sunyani at 6:00am, Burial Mass at 9.30am. followed by Private Burial at Techiman. Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Nkwabeng-Sunyani at 9:00am. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. (**Ms. Patricia Gyamfi to be introduced**)

2. Mr. Kofi Owusu Kumah, a parishioner and member of the Non-Aligned Movement announces the funeral of his mother Obaapanin Akua Nkruma as follows: lying in state on Saturday June 5, 2021 at 4.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at the funeral grounds from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, family gathering on Sunday June 6, 2021 at the funeral grounds from 1.00pm to 6.00pm – all at Aboabo Bontefufuo. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family (**Mr. Kofi Owusu Kumah to be introduced**).