

MASS SCHEDULE

• MONDAY

20/09/21 – 6:30pm

Ezra 1:1-6/ Ps. 126:1-6/ Lk. 8:16-18

• TUESDAY

21/09/21-6:30am

Eph 4:1-7,11-13 Ps. 19:2-5/ Mt. 9:9-13

• WEDNESDAY

22/09/21– 6:30am

Ezra 9:5-9/ Ps. Tob 13:2-5,8/ Lk 9:1-6

• THURSDAY

23/09/21– 7:00pm

Hg 1:1-8/ Ps. 150:1-6,9/ Lk. 9:7-9

• FRIDAY

24/09/21– 6:30am

Hg 2:1-9/ Ps. 43:1-4 / Lk. 9:18-22

• SATURDAY

25/09/21– 7:00am

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15/ Ps. Jer 31:10-13/ Lk. 9:43b-45

NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading – **Num 11:25-29**

Res. Psalm – **Ps. 19:8,10,12-14**

2nd Reading – **Jas 5:1-6**

Gospel – **Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48**

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Love and Service, the Way of True Discipleship

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate today the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. In the readings Jesus speaks of His own rejection, torture, and shameful death, an occasion for us to reflect on our own challenges and difficulties for the sake of the Gospel. True disciples, we are told, are concerned not with status but with service to the poor, with justice and peace.

Alexandria was a major city and intellectual centre of the ancient world, and home to a large, thriving Jewish community. The Book of Wisdom, composed in this context in the first century B.C., is important for its teaching on immortality, a concept that emerged late in Hebrew thought through dialogue with Hellenic culture. For the author of Wisdom, immortality creates an entirely distinct context for evaluating moral behaviour. The wicked, ungodly, because they believe everything ends at death, reject justice and uprightness in favour of a life of immediate gratification. The just, righteous, however, with faith in a life after death, have a greater incentive to do justice in the present life. Today's description of the just man, beset by persecutors who want to test his claims, prepares us for the prediction of Christ's suffering in today's Gospel. The Psalm, one of lament, voices the anguish of a person beset by godless enemies, but ends on a note of confidence in God's deliverance. The faithful, the upright, those who follow the wisdom of God, may be persecuted, but their vindication is assured. Your vindication is near!

The second reading from St James is a composite drawn from two different exhortations: one on the question of true and false wisdom; the other concerning the origin of conflicts, that is “fights” and “war”. Selfish desires give rise to evil deeds, but harmony and peace arise from wisdom, which is God's gift. James criticizes the chain of events that lead from jealous desire to criminal actions as one in which prayer is either lacking or distorted by a spirit of self-indulgence. In his view of wisdom and of conflicts, he sees cause and effect between dispositions and concrete behaviours. Justice brings forth peace, but an interior “war” of cravings, selfish desires, gives birth to conflicts with others. Jealousy, envy, and greed engender dispute, discord, and disharmony; our dissatisfaction with ourselves and desire for what another owns destroys our inner peace, distort our perspective on life, and make it difficult for us to love others. What mostly feeds our jealousy and envy is the fear that we are unlovable. Yet God created us in love and for love, and has given each of us particular gifts to use in the service to His people. Each one of us is unique, blessed just as he/she is. When we accept this truth, we can let go of comparing ourselves to others and our tendency to want to be great. We ought to reflect on that aspect of our life where we need to be less competitive and argumentative. Jealousy and anger shorten life, while anxiety brings premature old age. Beware of them!

In the Gospel, as the Galilean ministry draws to a close and the journey to Jerusalem begins, Jesus' prediction of His suffering and death deters the disciples from adopting a false Christology based on wonder-working. The disciples, however, fail to understand Jesus' prediction. They are even reluctant to talk about it, less questioning Him reveal even worse news. Jesus introduces a teaching on apostolic service. He links discipleship with self-denial, and turns the disciples' concern about social rank into an invitation to humble service as the way of true disciple. In keeping with His example, the disciples are to recognize others as people to be served. In Jesus' time, calculations of what honour was due a person permeated social life. The topic of the disciples' discussion was therefore not a particularly vain or unusual one: the response of Jesus is unusual. His insistence on service as the way of discipleship, and indeed as the only true form of greatness, is crucial for us today. We are called to be like children and to consider ourselves the slaves of all. The greatness of a Christian consists in serving others.

We congratulate our dear finalist and wish you well. Be true ambassadors of the university. We pray journey mercies upon all travelling that we reach our destinations safely. My dear students take very good care of yourselves and be helpful to your family. We love you so much!

To Examination Candidates, be assured of our Prayers and finish hard. Fear not, God is in control. Conduct yourselves well, do your best and God will supply the rest. Victory is assured!

Please, remember to stay well, healthy and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Get vaccinated when you have the opportunity. Continue to wear your nose mask and observe all the safety protocols. Your life is dear to us.

God bless and keep you safe.

Have a Blessed and Fruitful Week.

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. Prince Owusu Sarpong– 0208290851

Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrwin–0277154777

CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Wis 2:12,17-20

Res. Psalm: Ps. 54:3-6,8

2nd Reading: Jas. 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mk. 9:30-37



General Notices

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

Pre-Harvest Message and Envelope Distribution: There will be a Pre-Harvest Message and Distribution of Harvest Envelopes **today**, and next Sunday 26th September, 2021. The Children and Youth Harvest will come off on Sunday, 3rd October, 2021 as scheduled.

Introduction of Chaplaincy Electoral Commission: The members of the Chaplaincy Electoral Commission will be introduced today at all Masses.

Online Talk by Fr. Michael Boakye Yeboah: All parishioners are invited to an Online Talk on 'Catholic Religious Orders' **today at 7:00pm**. Zoom Meeting: **ID 66556622243** and Zoom Password: **504944**

First Communion Pictures: All Parishioners whose wards received First Communion are been informed that pictures taken during the Mass are ready for collection. Please meet the photographer in front of the Chapel after each Mass.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please, sign up to receive News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy. You can do so at the Covid-19 Desk after Mass or send a WhatsApp message to 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 at a Reduced Price: We have a large quantity of the Chaplaincy's Cloth on sale at a reduced price which now goes for Six Ghana Cedis (GH6.00) per a yard. Parishioners/Students who do not own a cloth or is worn out should please rush to the Chaplaincy office to purchase

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.



Groups & Societies

Charismatic Renewal (Local): The CCR-Local will be meeting today at their usual place for prayers. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

Dagaaba Union: All members are informed that there will be meeting after the 10:30am mass. Both New and Old members are welcome.

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.

Sincere Thanks

1. The family of the late Mr Steve Paul Ocran wish to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Theresians International and individual parishioners for your prayers, presence, sympathy and generous donations during their bereavement. May the good and gracious Lord continue to bless you all.

2. The family of the late Mad. Angela Hasa Diku wish to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Dagaaba Christian Mothers Association, Sacred Heart and individual parishioners for your prayers, presence, sympathy and generous donations during their bereavement. May the good and gracious Lord continue to bless you all.

Marriage Banns



- 1. Mr. Francis Lartey Ofoe**, son of Mr. John Wornor Ofoe and Mad. Florence Kpabitey, born at Asesewa, resided at Darkuman, Accra, now residing at West Legon and **Ms. Wilhemina A. Pels**, daughter of Mr. Lewis Theophilus Pels and Mrs. Gloria Bamfo Pels, born in Kumasi, residing in Sunyani. **(3rd Announcement)**
- 2. Mr. Christopher Abokah**, son of Mr. Alfred James Kaburi Abokah and Mad. Elizabeth Ka-

huri, born at Ayigya, resided at Ayigya, now residing at Deduako and **Ms. Millicent Konadu Yeboah**, daughter of Mr. David Kwesi Yeboah and Mrs. Mary Oduro Yeboah, born in Lagos-Nigeria, residing in KNUST Campus. **(2nd Announcement)**

3. Mr. Harrison Dormenyo Agbedanu, son of Mr. Francis Agbedanu and Mad. Mary Agbedanu, born at Duakro, resided at Koforidua, now residing at Kotei-Deduako and **Ms. Stella Darko**, daughter of Mr. John Opare and Mrs. Janet Dofie Opare,

born at Wadie-Adwumakasi, residing at Deduako-Twumduase. **(2nd Announcement)**.

4. Mr Obed Benyin- Mensah son of Mr. Paul Franklin Kwesi Benyin and Mad. Elizabeth Amo born at Bogoso, now residing at Breaman and **Ms. Angela Kesewaa- Owusu Ansah**, daughter of Mr. Kwadwo Owusu Ansah and Mad. Cecilia Owusu Ansah born at Kumasi, residing at Abuakwa- Kumasi. **(1st Announcement)**

Funeral Announcement & Invitation

1. We announce the death of Mr. **Michael Kwabena Akakpo** (a.k.a. Agya), a parishioner and member of the St. Cecilia's Guild. The One-Week will be observed on Sunday, September 26 2021 at Adedientem, behind Clown Filing Station from 12noon to 6:00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Mr Kofi Sefah a parishioner announces the funeral of his mother **Mrs. Comfort Atta Gyamerah (a.k.a. Auntie Comfort)** as follows: lying in state on Saturday 25th September, 2021 at House No. Plot 5 Block A, Ahwiaa Meduma Extension, near Porters Academy, 5:00am prompt followed by Internment at Agona Bipoa Cemetery at 10am. Final Funeral rites on 25th September, 2021 at Nana Appiah, Anwiaa Overseas from 12noon to 6pm. Thanksgiving service on 26th September, 2021 at Gospel Center Assemblies of God, Tafo Mile 3 at 9am. Family Gathering on 26th September, 2021 at Nana Appiah, Ahwiaa Overseas at 12:00pm-6:00pm.

Pax Corner

Pax Romana: Parishioners and Students are reminded to return the envelopes taken last Sunday in support of the Pax Welfare. You can leave your sealed envelope with the Ushers, at the Covid Desk or at the Chaplaincy Office. Envelopes are still available if you wish to take one. God bless you for contributing.

Request for Support – Daughters of the Most Holy Trinity (FST): The FST Sisters of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kumasi are requesting parishioners to support them with used (or new) clothing, food stuff, stationary, and / or funds to support their Rural Outreach to aid their tradition of reaching out regularly to rural communities. As we know ‘the harvest is rich but the labourers are few’ so we need more labourers to support them wholeheartedly to make a meaningful impact in the lives of needy people. Your support in this matter will be very much appreciated. For more enquiries, please, call on this number – 0244976656.

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.

Appeal For Fund In Aid For Maternity Block: The Management and Staff of St. Vincent De Paul Clinic Drobonso is appealing and inviting all parishioners for your support in any form to provide a befitting Maternity Block for mothers and their babies. The Climax of the Jubilee Celebration is on Saturday, 25th September, 2021. Donations can be done into the Account details:

Sr Helen Akparibo(0207469333)
Name: St. Vincent Clinic, Dobonso
Account No: 1111810006105771
Bank: Kumawuman Rural Bank Limited Branch: Drobonso
Nothing is too small to contribute, be it money or building materials.

Job Opportunity: : 1. A parishioner is looking for a young catholic woman to serve as a Househelp (cook and cleaner). Interested persons should call 0208198270 and 0543145943. Pay is attractive.

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 a Live-in female House Help on campus. Interested persons should call on: 0200773486 for help.

4. **Driver Wanted:** A parishioner needs someone (Driver) to drive his Urvan Bus (Commercial Use). Interested parishioners should please call him on: 0249913300.

5. **Travel Agency:** A travel management company located at Ahinsan Estate is looking for a young energetic lady for immediate employment as Front Desk Officer.

Age limit – 25 years

Minimum qualification – HND

Should be a computer Literate

Applicant should be proficient in graphic designing

Must live around Ahinsan Estate and its environs

Interested applications should send their CV to the Chaplaincy Office by 30th September, 2021.

6. **Home Teacher:** Parishioners who are in need of a home teacher for their Wards in J.H.S or S.H.S should contact Mr. Adu Yaw Amoako on 0546720154.

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.

Rent Accommodation 1. A parishioner is in need of a single room accommodation to rent for occupation. Please, call and help him on: 0548991681 / 0553605278. Thank you.

2. A parishioner needs an accommodation around KNUST Campus – Emena, Apemso, Kotei, Boadi, Ayeduase, Kentinkrono, Ayigya, Maxima, Bomso, Susanso, Oduom, Gyinyase, etc. to rent. Please, call on 0545174080 to help.

Book Store: The Paulines Publications Book on the ‘History of Catholic Church’ and other related Catholic books and Bibles are now available at the sales desk. Parishioners are entreated to pass by for copies.

Sale of Peanut Butter: Thy Grace Natural Peanut Butter has in stock unadulterated butter (groundnuts paste) ideal for soup and breadspread. For domestic and commercial (schools, restaurants, canteens, chop bars, food joints eateries) needs, contact the following for delivery:0244158635 / 0244077147

2021 Harvest Levies

Senior Members/Businessmen/ women — GHS. 300.00

Senior Staff — GHS. 150.00

Junior Staff/House Wife — GHS. 100.00

Tertiary Students — GHS. 50.00

Senior High/Tech. Schools — GHS. 30.00

Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten — GHS. 20.00

NB: All Parishioners are encouraged to pay their levies.