

MASS SCHEDULE

• MONDAY

27/09/21 – 6:30pm

Zec 8:1-8/ Ps. 102:16-21,29,22-23/ Lk. 9:46-50 (Vincent de Paul)

• TUESDAY

28/09/21-6:30am

Zec 8:20-23/Ps. 87:1-7/ Lk. 9:51-56

• WEDNESDAY

29/09/21– 6:30am

Dan 7:9-10,13-14/ Ps. 138:1-5/ Jn 1:47-51

• THURSDAY

30/09/21– 7:00pm

Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12/ Ps. 19:8-11/ Lk. 10:1-12

• FRIDAY

01/10/21– 6:30am /6:00pm

Bar 1:15-22/ Ps. 79:1-5,8-9 / Lk. 10:13-16 (St. Theresa of the Child Jesus)

• SATURDAY

02/10/21— 7:00am

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/ Ps. 69:33-37/ Mt. 18:1-5,10

NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading – Gen 2:18-24

Res. Psalm – Ps. 128:1-6

2nd Reading – Heb 2:9-11

Gospel – Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

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Cut Off In Order To Gain Heaven!

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate today the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. In the readings Moses and Jesus attest to the fact that the work of the Spirit cannot be confined by an institution and that no one can claim a monopoly of the Spirit's charism. Learn to “cut off” and beware of growing and piling up riches while neglecting the rights and needs of others.

Because Moses alone was not able to meet all the needs of the Israelite community, God decides that the charismatic gifts of Moses, including prophecy, should be shared with others. However, he and Joshua, his trusted assistant, disagree on whether these gifts are legitimate in those who were not present when the gifts were originally bestowed as in the case of Eldad and Medad. This is a clear example of fanaticism and envy that we sometimes harbour, often unconsciously, towards those who do good but not part of our group. Many are those individuals, organizations and movements, who complement and assist the good work the Church is doing. They may not carry the name “Christian” but are moved by a Spirit they cannot name and are doing the work of the Lord they do not know. They may not be members of the Church, but they are our allies in the work of the Lord. The generous view of Moses should prevail: “would that all the people of the Lord were prophets”. We see the essential freedom of God whose gifts can never be completely limited or subject to institutional control. There is the need to recognize such people as allies and not enemies.

Today's Gospel reading is a series of four sayings related by catchwords. The sayings contain quite diverse thematic material. The saying concerning exorcists is followed by the promise of a reward for those who help the disciples in the course of fulfilling their mission of bearing witness to the name of Christ. Next we see that to cause another to sin, especially someone powerless or innocent (scandal), is especially abhorrent and earns divine retribution. Drowning was a Roman punishment, and would have been considered barbaric by a Jewish audience, thus emphasizing the gravity and severity of the crime. The final saying talks about the depth of fear one should have toward even the possibility of being cut off from God by sin. If your eye, arm, leg is causing you to sin, cut it off. Jesus is not advocating self-mutilation. Rather, he is using a vivid Semitic style of extreme contrasts to make his point: there is nothing worse than sin. Sin, at all costs, is to be avoided.

“Gehenna”, a name equivalent to “hell”, was an actual place in South Jerusalem that was turned into a dump where the city's garbage was burned. Its dreadful associations with fire, decay, refuse, filth, and death made it a terrifying symbol of the punishments of the damned. We learn that heaven is for those who can go through the process of “cutting off” or letting go. While the world strives to preserve life with its consumerist world-view, Christians must strive to “cut off” or sacrifice, in order to gain heaven. To reach heaven we must learn to cut ourselves off part by part, day by day, until nothing of ourselves remains but everything of God. Thus, we must cut off pride for humility to grow; cut off egoism that altruism may grow; cut off lust that love may prosper; cut off laziness to give way to hard work. We must cut off anger that there may be inner peace; cut off the noisy world that silence may be heard; cut off negative friendship or influence to give way to authentic companions. We must get blocking devices for the internet; throw away that CD; read books instead of television/media; close that account; delete that folder or website; distance ourselves from that relationship; when they are causing us to sin. It is in dying to vices that we cultivate virtues. Virtues give us the strength to move closer to God. When we succeed in cutting off the unwanted elements, heaven becomes a living reality here and now.

Dear students on vacation, take very good care of yourselves, be helpful to your families, and be true ambassadors of our school. We have the opportunity to deepen our faith and improve our spiritual life by reading something about the faith and the Church. We pray for journey mercies upon all travelling. We love you and miss you already!

To our SHS Examination Candidates, be assured of our prayers. Finish hard! Fear not, God is in control. Be of good conduct, 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

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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



General Notices

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

Children and Youth Harvest: Next Week-end is the Children and Youth Harvest. (2nd & 3rd October, 2021). Envelopes for the Children and Youth Harvest are still available for collection. So, the Children and Youth are being encourage to pay their levies: Tertiary Students-Univ./ Poly. /Post Sec. - ₵50.00; Senior High/ Tech. Schools - ₵30.00; Junior High/Prim. / Kindergarten - ₵20.00

Rosary Month: October is the month of the Rosary and we are all reminded to pray our Rosary. As a community, we shall meet at 6.00pm to pray the Rosary.

Liturgy Committee: Members of the Liturgy Committee will have a meeting on Wednesday 29th September, 2021 at the Msg. John Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall at exactly 5.30pm. All concerned members are expected to be present at the meeting.

Laiety Committee: In preparations towards this year's Laiety Week Celebration, the Committee is inviting representatives of all Groups and Societies to be present at their meetings come this Wednesday

29th September, 2021 and the subsequent Wednesdays until the Celebration. Leaders are to ensure that their Reps attend the meetings to assist in preparation.

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.

Talk: Anger-A friend, not A Foe: Parishioners are invited to a one-day talk on anger at the Centre for Spiritual Renewal on Saturday, 2nd October, 2021 from 9.30am to 3.30pm at a fee of GH₵ 10.00. Lunch can be provided if desired at a cost of GH₵ 20.00. Interested parishioners should call or text to this number 0244026296 for bookings.

Sarpong Theological Lecture (STL): All parishioners are respectfully invited to attend the Inaugural (Archbishop) Sarpong

Theological Lecture, to be delivered by Rev. Fr. Paul Bere, S.J. on the Topic: **Because Peoples Differ, Should African Theology Go Global?** Date: Friday, 1st October, 2021 at Mbrom, Kumasi, Time: 5:00pm. Archbishop Sarpong's Books will be available for sale. Donations to support the organization of the programme and subsequent ones will be very much appreciated. Interested parishioners should register at the Chaplaincy Office.

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 (GH₵6.00) 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.

First Communion Pictures and Confirmation: All Parishioners whose wards received First Communion and confirmation 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.

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.

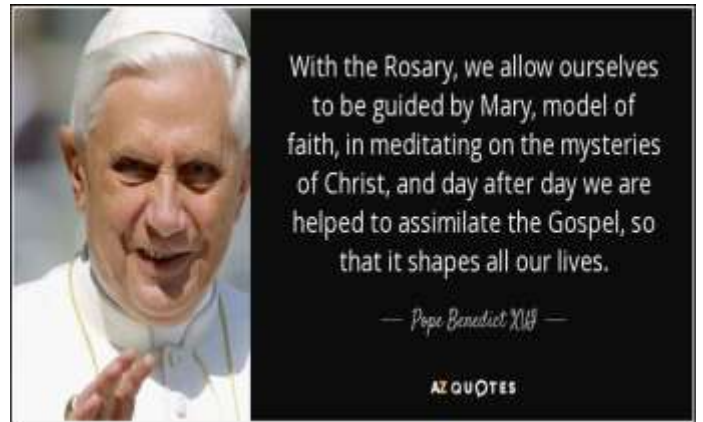
Catholic Women Association (CWA): The Catholic Women Association is inviting new members to join them. Interested parishioners are to meet with the President after Mass.

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

Mr and Mrs Azure wish to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Groups and Societies, all parishioners for your presence during their wedding. May God bless you all.



Marriage Banns



1. Mr. Christopher Abokah, son of Mr. Alfred James Kaburi Abokah and Mad. Elizabeth Kaburi, 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. **(3rd Announcement-To be Introduced)**

2. 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. **(3rd Announcement-To be Introduced)**

3. Dr. Obed Benyin- Mensah son of Mr. Paul Franklin Kwesi Benyin and Mad. Elizabeth Amo born at Bogoso, now residing at Breman and **Ms. Angela Kesewaa- Owusu Ansah**, daughter of Mr. Kwadwo Owusu Ansah and Mad. Cecilia Owusu Ansah born at Kumasi, residing at Abuakwa- Kumasi. **(2nd Announcement -To be introduced)**

4. Mr. Ernest Baah Agyei, son of Mr. Enoch Agyei and Mad. Agartha Arhin, born at Akyem-Akyease(E/R), now residing at Akyem-Akyease(E/R) and **Ms. Ida Korkor Ansah**, daughter of Mr. Seth N. Ansah and Mrs. Comfort Ansah, born in Akim Oda(E/R), now residing at Akim Oda. **(1st Announcement)**

5. Dr. Edward Yaw Ampadu son of Prof. S.I. K. Ampadu and Mrs. Cecilia Dorcas Ampadu, born at Kumasi now residing at Teshie – Nungua and **Dr. Genevieve Anum-Odame**, daughter of Mr. Wilfred K. Anim-Odame and Mrs. Evelyn Anim-Odame born in Kumasi, now residing at Accra. **(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 today Sunday, September 26 2021 at Audentem, behind Clown Filing Station from 12noon to 6:00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

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.

Admission: The ABCD Montessori School located at Appiedu /Apemso Junction is admitting wards in Pre-school from the ages of 3 months to 5 years. Interested parishioners should contact Mariam on 0509313665.

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.

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 entertained 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 bread-spread. 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.