

MASS SCHEDULE

• MONDAY

04/10/21 – 6:00pm

Jon. 1:1 – 2:1, 11 / Ps. Jon. 2:3-5, 8 / Lk. 10:25-37 (St. Francis of Assisi)

• TUESDAY

05/10/21-6:00pm

Jon. 3:1-10 / Ps. 130:1-4, 7-8 / Lk. 10:38-42

• WEDNESDAY

06/10/21– 6:00pm

Jon. 4:1-11 / Ps. 86:3-6, 9-10 / Lk. 11:1-4 (St. Bruno)

• THURSDAY

07/10/21– 6:00pm

Mal. 3:13-20b / Ps. 1:1-4, 6 / Lk. 11:5-13 (Our Lady of the Rosary)

• FRIDAY

08/10/21– 6:00pm

Joel. 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Ps. 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9 / Lk. 11:15-26

• SATURDAY

09/010/21— 7:00am

Joel 4:12-21 / Ps. 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 / Lk. 11:27-28 (Denis and Companions, John Leonardi & Blessed Virgin Mary)

NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading – Wis. 7:7-11

Res. Psalm – Ps. 90:12-17

2nd Reading – Heb. 4:12-13

Gospel – Mk. 10:17-30

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Conjugal Life and Love in the Original Plan of God!

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate today the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. The readings for this weekend invite us to reflect on the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. Conjugal love, lived in fidelity to God’s original plan, is to be one of the principal manifestations of the kingdom proclaimed by Jesus. Through Baptism we join Christ in having one and the same Father.

The first reading is taken from the Yahwist Account of creation (Gen 2) whose focus is more on the human situation than the Priestly Account (Gen 1) where God’s actions are the central focus. We read today the author’s portrayal of creation as God intended it to be. A number of points in this narrative are crucial to appreciate Catholic teaching on marriage. God makes the male and female creatures “partners” of each other: there is no divinely sanctioned subordination implied. In fact, the woman alone – nothing else in creation – is the “suitable” partner because she is of human flesh. This is the significance of the rib taken from man, out of which she is formed. The attraction between the partners – human sexuality – is God-given and good, blessed by God and rooted in their common origin in “one flesh”. The concreteness of this “one flesh” is expressed both in sexual union and in its natural fruit, the children born of such union. Although the text does not explicitly teach monogamy, its portrayal of the power of the male-female attraction (“that is why a man leaves...”) suggests an ideal of community in which the union of equals prevails. God created man and woman for the good of each other. Their mutually exclusive intimate partnership of life and love constitutes what we call the “married state” which is rooted in the irrevocable personal consent of the spouses.

The Gospel reading, on marriage and divorce, comes from the Jesus’ teaching when asked by the Pharisees about the traditional rabbinical interpretation of divorce as permitted by Mosaic Law (Dt 24:1-4). Instead of answering on their terms – that is, engaging in legalistic disputation regarding divorce – Jesus shifts the discussion to God’s purpose in creation, the lasting union of husband and wife. He portrays the Mosaic Law as a concession to human weakness, quoting Genesis in support of his assertion that the divine will is for a lasting union between spouses. Despite the different ways of interpreting and applying Jesus’ teaching on marriage and divorce by the early Christian community (Mt 5:32; 19:9; 1Cor 7:10-11), there has always been a unanimity in the Church’s tradition that Jesus pointed to divine institution of marriage as sacred, and that fidelity to one’s spouse is the Creator’s wish for humankind. The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, a permanent union of life and love between a man and a woman, is indissoluble.

In a world where sin characterizes relationships, the marital union may be threatened by discord, abuse, infidelity, hatred, jealousy, etc. These distortions do not arise from the nature of man and woman, nor from the nature of their relationship. They are consequences of sin – both original and personal sins. Jesus Christ heals the world harmed by sin and upholds the original meaning of marriage. He makes it clear that the Law of Moses allowing divorce, proposed because of sin, does not hold for his followers who are given the Grace to reach the original purpose of creation that He restores. Christ has not imposed an impossible burden on us. Spouses can live the true meaning of marriage with the Grace Jesus unlocks through His passion, death and resurrection. Catholics, all over the world, understand that marriage between two baptised persons (man and woman) cannot be dissolved. Divorce is not an option, as long as the marriage results from the free act of the spouses and is consummated. Conjugal life and love involves the total personhood of each spouse. Every aspect of our humanity combines to propel husband and wife to a deeply personal union in Christ that leads to one heart, flesh, and soul. It is this mutual, total, reciprocal self-giving that promotes the good of the couple and leads to children. Biding oneself to another for life, is made holy in the Sacrament of Matrimony, and mirrors of God’s everlasting love.

On behalf of the Chaplaincy Harvest Committee, we wish to express our sincerest thanks to all parishioners, especially our Children and Youth, for your immense contributions, in cash and kind, in making the “Annual Children/Youth Harvest 2021” a success. God richly bless and replenish you.

Dear students on vacation, take good care of yourselves, be helpful to your families, and be true ambassadors of our school. We love you and we 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.

May Mary accompany us all through the Month and Week.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah– 0249999616
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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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



General Notices

Benediction: There will be Benediction today Sunday October 3, 2021 in the evening at 7.00pm. All parishioners are encouraged to be present to pray.

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

Infant Baptism: There will be Infant Baptism on Saturday October 9, 2021 at 4.00pm. Parishioners who would want their children/wards to be baptised should please come for instructions on Friday October 8, 2021 at the Chaplaincy at 5.00pm with their children/wards' godparents.

Children and Youth Harvest: Today Sunday October 3, 2021 is the Children and Youth Harvest. Envelopes are still available for collection. So, the Children and Youth are being encouraged to pay their levies: Tertiary Students-Univ./Poly./Post Sec. - ₵50.00; Senior High/Tech. Schools - ₵30.00; Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten - ₵20.00. All parishioners are encouraged to contribute/support to make the Children and Youth Harvest a successful one.

Rosary Month: October is the month of

Rosary and we are reminded to pray our Rosary. As a community, we shall meet at 6.00pm each day to pray the Rosary.

Parish Feast – Our Lady of The Rosary Feast: Thursday October 7, 2021 is the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary. There will be Rosary and Mass in the evening at 6.00pm. All parishioners are therefore encouraged to attend in your numbers with the Chaplaincy Cloth to grace the occasion.

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Mass for all Nigerians: There will be an all-Nigerian Mass for all Nigerian Catholics residing in Ashanti Region next Sunday October 10, 2021 at the Holy Family Parish, Ash-Town/Mbrom at 12.00 noon. Please, note that there will also be an end of year refreshment.

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.

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.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Parish Council Elections 2021: 1. Nominations have been opened and nomination forms are available at the Covid Desk every Sunday at and after all the Masses. You can also visit the Chaplaincy Office on week days to pick and file for nomination for yourself or someone.

2. Groups/Societies list are displayed on the notice boards. Leaders, please take note and comply.

NB. Parishioners please avail yourselves for this worthy cause.

Nominations close on 24th October, 2021.

Laity Committee: 1. In preparations towards this year's Laity Week Celebration, the Committee is inviting representatives of all Groups and Societies to be present at their meetings come this Wednesday October 6, 2021. Leaders are to ensure that their representatives

attend the meetings to assist in preparation.

2. Meanwhile, the Laity Week Celebration will be Launched next Sunday October 10, 2021 at all Masses. Parishioners should please take note.

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.



Marriage Banns



1. 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 Mrs. Cecilia Owusu Ansah, born in Kumasi, residing at Abuakwa - Kumasi. (**3rd Announcement**)

2. Mr. Ernest Baah Agyei, son of Mr. Enoch Agyei and Mad. Agarthia Arhin, born at Akyem-Akyease (E/R), residing at Akyem-Akyease (E/R) and **Ms. Ida Korkor Ansah**, daughter of Mr. Seth N. Ansah and Mrs. Comfort Ansah, born at Akim Oda (E/R), now residing at Haatso - Accra. (**2nd Announcement**)

3. Dr. Edward Yaw Ampadu, son of Prof. S.I. K. Ampadu and Mrs. Cecilia Dorcas Ampadu, born in Kumasi, now residing at Teshie-Nungua and **Dr. Genevieve Anim-Odame**, daughter of Mr. Wilfred K. Anim-Odame and Mrs. Evelyn Anim-Odame born in Kumasi, now residing in Accra. (**2nd Announcement**)

If you say the Holy Rosary every day, with a spirit of faith and love, our Lady will make sure she leads you very far along her Son's path.
~ Josemaria Escriva

Funeral Announcement & Invitation

1. Ms. Josephine Baffoe, a parishioner and member of Our Lady's Choir announces the death of her mother Mrs. Georgina Baffoe.

The one-week celebration comes off on Monday October 11, 2021 at H/No. Plt. 6, Blk. B – Okyerekrom, near Amazing Grace Supermarket, Kokobra. All parishioners are invited to mourn with Ms. Baffoe and her family.

2. Mr. Kwame Owusu a parishioner and member of St. Cecilia's Guild announces the funeral of his mother Obaapanin Abena Tima as follows: lying in state on Saturday October 9, 2021 at Mim Ahafo Kensere at 4.00am, burial at Dajanso, Asante Bekwai, funeral rites at Mim Ahafo Kensere from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday October 10, 2021 at the Roman Catholic Church, Kensere, final funeral rites from 1.00pm 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.

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 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.