

MASS SCHEDULE

• MONDAY

11/10/21 – 6:00pm

Rom. 1:1-7 / Ps. 98:1-4 / Lk. 11:29-32 (St. John XXIII)

• TUESDAY

12/10/21-6:00pm

Rom. 1:16-25 / Ps. 18:2-5 / Lk. 11:37-41

• WEDNESDAY

13/10/21– 6:00pm

Rom. 2:1-11 / Ps. 62:2-3, 6-7 / Lk. 11:42-46

• THURSDAY

14/10/21– 6:00pm

Rom. 3:21-30 / Ps. 130:1-6 / Lk. 11:47-54 (St. Callistus I)

• FRIDAY

15/10/21– 6:00pm

Rom. 4:1-8 / Ps. 32:1-2, 5, 11 / Lk. 12:1-7(St. Teresa of Avila)

• SATURDAY

16/10/21— 7:00am

Rom. 4:13, 16-18 / Ps. 105:6-9, 42-43 / Lk. 12:8-12 (St. Hedwig and St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)

NEXT SUNDAY

1st Reading: Isa. 53:10-11

2nd Reading: Heb. 4:14-16

Gospel: Mk. 10:35-45

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Go, Sell All That You Have, and Follow Me

“The Lord be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate today the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B. Our readings this weekend invite us to reflect on the theme of “choice”.

In our Gospel reading, we have a rich man coming to Jesus with a question. The Gospel does not say precisely when or where this took place. Neither does it tell us the name of the man because it could be any person, place and time. The question, however, is a universal one: “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” It is a question of every culture, place and people. Jesus answers him directly: keep the commandments! This man replies that he has done that but still he wanted more, he needed more. Jesus looked at him with love and said to him: “You lack one thing. Go, sell what you have, give to the poor, then follow me”. And there was a great silence. The man left sad, “for he had many possessions”.

This person lived a moral life yet felt that something was holding him back. The depth of spiritual life was eluding him because something stood in the way. Jesus spotted that “something” right away and made it known to him. He lacked freedom. He was possessed by his possessions. Those he could not give up. His wealth trapped him. “He went away sad, for he had many possessions”. Maybe when Jesus looks at us, He sees other things that stand in our way of a vibrant spiritual life. It may not be money and wealth, for many people are generous with their prosperity. It could be lust, arrogance, envy, memory, wrong relationship, career, etc., that keep us from giving ourselves completely to the Christ’s work.

The second reading exhorts that the Word of God is able to perform a spiritual diagnosis of our soul, allowing God’s grace to do some spiritual surgery in us: cutting out moral tumours that block our full fellowship with Christ. We all have “something” that stands in the way of our deep following of Christ. The key is to identify it. Jesus did that for the rich man whiles God’s Word, read and preached daily, can do that for us. For him, it was his possessions; for us it may be something else.

The Lord goes on to speak about the power of money to hypnotize us and distract us from the care of our soul. Sometimes our desire to get or keep money can hold us back from doing what we know is the right thing. The accumulation of wealth can cloud our judgment. But, it can also help us serve God and humanity. Money is a tool. The question is: What are we doing with it? Is it a burden to our soul or a blessing? A meditation from a book called *Prayer* by Michel Quoist can help us reflect on what we are doing with our money. It is called “Prayer Before a Twenty Dollar Bill” but in our case it could be “Prayer Before a Two-Hundred Ghana Cedis Note”:

Lord, see this note. It frightens me. You know its secrets, you know its history. It will never tell all it hides in its creases. It will never reveal all the struggles and efforts it represents.

The disillusionment and slighted dignity. It is stained with sweat and blood. It frightens me because it has death on its conscience.... All the people who killed themselves for it; to possess it for a few hours; to have through it a little pleasure, a little joy, a little life....

It has offered roses to the radiant fiancée. It has paid for the baptismal party, and fed the baby. It has provided bread for the family table. Because of it there was laughing among the young and joy among the elders. It has paid for the saving visit of the doctor; it has bought the book that taught the child; it has clothed the young girl.

But it has sent the letter breaking the engagement; it has paid for the death of the baby in its mother’s womb; it has bought the liquor that made the drunkard; it has produced the movie unfit for children; and has recorded the indecent song. It has broken the morals of the adolescent and made the adult a thief. It has bought for a few hours the body of a woman. It has paid for the weapons of crime and for the wood of the coffin.

O Lord, I offer you this bill [note] with its joyous mysteries; its sorrowful mysteries. I thank you for all the life and joy it has given. I ask your forgiveness for the harm it has done.

How are we using the money we have? Is it building the Kingdom of God or blocking it? Is it liberating our soul or trapping it? Is it building up our spiritual assets or depleting them? Are we better followers of Christ because of it or in spite of it? Money is a tool. What it does to our life and to our soul is up 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

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Rev. Fr. Prince Owusu Sarpong– 0208290851
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READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Wis. 7:7-11
2nd Reading: Heb 4:12-13
Gospel: Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



General Notices

Benediction: There will be Benediction next Sunday October 17, 2021 at all Masses. Parishioners should please take note.

Mission Sunday: Next Week Sunday is Mission Sunday. There will be a second collection to support the Missionary activities of the church. Priests from within the Asawasi Deanery will be coming to preside over the Masses. All Parishioners are encouraged to give generously to support the Pontifical Mission of the Church.

Newly Confirmed Candidates (Sunday School): All newly Confirmed Sunday School children will be meeting next Sunday October 17, 2021 at Room 7 – R.P. Baffoe Complex at 8.30am. Your Baptismal Cards are ready for collection and could be collected on the meeting day.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: There is Confession every Saturday at 6:00pm. All safety Proto-

cols will be observed.

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.

Mass for all Nigerians: There will be an all-Nigerian Mass for all Nigerian Catholics residing in Ashanti Region today 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.

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. Nominations close on 24th October, 2021. Interested parishioners can download the forms on the Chaplaincy's website.

Laiety Committee: This year's Laiety Week Celebration is being launched today Sunday October 10, 2021 at all Masses with the Theme: *"The Word of God: Christian Formation for Transformation in Ghana"*. The program starts

on Monday October 11, 2021 to Sunday October 17, 2021 during the evening Masses. There will be collection through the week. A second collection will be taken on Sunday October 17, 2021 to support the Laiety activities.

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.

St. Vincent De Paul: Members of St. Vincent de Paul are meeting today Sunday October 10, 2021 immediately after the 8.30am Mass. Please, all members are endeavour to attend.

Dagaaba Mass: There will be a Dagaaba Mass next Sunday October 17, 2021 at the Chaplaincy at 1.30pm. prompt. All members of the Dagaaba Union are encouraged to be present and also bring offertory gift.

All Singing Groups to meet: All Singing Groups in the Chaplaincy are expected to meet on Tuesday October 12, 2021 at the Bishop Sarpong Hall (The Small Chapel) at exactly 5.30pm for practice/preparations towards the Archbishop's visit. We entreat all members to be present.

Sincere Thanks

The Chaplain and the Harvest Committee wish to express their sincere appreciation to various groups, societies and parishioners for your generous contributions towards the 2021 Children and Youth Harvest last Sunday October 3, 2021. They pray that the good Lord blesses you abundantly. They are also pleading with parents who have not yet paid their children's levies to do so and also pay theirs.



Marriage Banns



1. Mr. Ernest Baah Agyei, son of Mr. Enoch Agyei and Mad. Agartha 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. (**3rd Announcement**)

2. 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. (**3rd Announcement**)



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 tomorrow Monday October 11, 2021 at H/No. Plt. 6, Blk. B – Okyerekrom, near Amazing Grace Supermarket, Kokobra. Parishioners are invited to mourn with Ms. Baffoe and her family. **Please Note: Attire - 'Black & White'**

2. Prof. Simon K. Gawu, a parishioner and a member of the Knights and Ladies of Marshall announces the funeral of his mother Mad. Bertha Abra Bayitse on Saturday October 9, 2021 at Deme, Anfoega Wademaxe. The thanksgiving Mass is today Sunday October 10, 2021 at Deme, Angoega Wademaxe.

3. Ms. Jane Frances Diibodong, a parishioner announces the funeral of her husband Mr. John Abolga Mba as follows: wake-keeping on Friday October 15, 2021 at

Family H/No. AS 269, lying in state on Saturday October 16, 2021, burial Mass at St. Anne Catholic Church at 9.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at Family H/No. 269 from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday October 17, 2021 at St. Anne Catholic Church at 10.00am, family gathering at Family H/No. 269 from 1.00pm to 6.00pm – all at Bongo in the Upper East Region. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. (**Ms. Jane Frances Diibodong to be introduced**)

4. Madam Esther Kyeb, a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Christian Mothers' Association announces the death of her mother Mad. Paulina Baazore. The one-week observation is today Sunday October 10, 2021 at the Dagaaba Chief's House, Ayeduase from 6.00am 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.