MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY

10/01/22 - 6.30pm

1 Sam. 1:1-8 / Ps. 116:12-19 / Mk. 1:0

TUESDAY

11/01/22 -6:30am

1 Sam. 1:9-10 / Ps. 1 Sam. 2:1, 4-8 / Mk. 1:21-28

WEDNESDAY

12/01/22 - 6:30am

1 Sam. 3:1-10, 19-20 / Ps. 40:2, 5, 7-10 / Mk. 1:29-39

THURSDAY

13/01/22 - 7:00pm

1 Sam. 4:1-11 / Ps. 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 / Mk.1:40-45(St. Hilary)

FRIDAY

14/01/22 — 6:30am

1 Sam. 8:4-7, 10-22a / Ps. 89:16-19 / Mk. 2:1-12

SATURDAY

15/01/22-7:00am

1 Sam. 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a / Ps. 20:2-7 / Mk. 2:13-17 (B. V. M.)

Next Sunday January 16, 2022 – Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time (Cycle C):

Usual 4 Masses. Please, we are reverting to the old time of worship i.e.,

7.00pm-Vigil Mass,

6.30am – 1st Mass,

8.00am – 2nd Mass

10.00am – 3rd Mass.

Please all parishioners should take note

1 st Reading –	lsa. 62:1-5
Res. Psalm –	Ps. 96:1-3, 7-10
2 nd Reading -	1 Cor. 12:4-11
Gospel –	Jn. 2:1-11

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DATE: 9TH JANUARY, 2022

Baptism of the Lord, Act of Compassion and Solidarity

Dear People of God, this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. This celebration marks the end of the Liturgical Season of Christmas. Since the scene at Jordan is presented as the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, today also serves as a "bridge" into Ordinary Time, which traces the historical unfolding of the ministry of Jesus.

As Holy Mother Church celebrates the Baptism of the Lord, we recall that day when Jesus, out of compassion and in solidarity with us, accepts baptism at the hands of John. The Baptism of Jesus deepens His Incarnation (Word made flesh) and a complete solidarity with us in our humanity. After His baptism, the Father testifies to His Divine Sonship. This way, His baptism is part of the Epiphany of His identity: when He comes out of obscurity into the spotlight. Before His baptism, Jesus was largely unknown until the day He came to the bank of the Jordon River to be baptized by John and proclaimed as the Messiah. Closely associated with last Sunday's celebration of the Epiphany, is the theme of the Revelation of God's saving action in the person of Jesus. The Gospel presents Jesus' Baptism as the time when He is revealed as God's Son, the Beloved. But it is clear from the readings for today that the Baptism of the Lord is also fundamental for our understanding of Christian baptism; the fulfilment of John's promise that "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire".

John's baptism was that of repentance. Jesus, of course, had no need of that. But the people needed it. The leaders at Jesus' time refused to step into the river because it was filled with sins of all kind, every imaginable evil, with all kinds of human immorality. They did not feel the need for repentance and washing. But Jesus was not ashamed to step into the waters of Jordan. There He stood in the queue, shoulder to shoulder with the sinners. Here, His public ministry begins with an act of compassion and solidarity, as He takes upon Himself all of our burdens and sins. It is a symbol of what His work on earth was all about. He showed solidarity with all of us who are in need of healing. He became like us so we could become like Him. There, He begins to gather His lambs as Isaiah describes the chosen servant of God in today's first reading. Jesus' Baptism at the Jordan was not a private moment of revelation and blessing, but a public commissioning to the work of redemption.

Unlike John's baptism, our Baptism was in the Holy Spirit. Through the sacrament of Baptism we were freed from original sin; made temples of the Holy Spirit; made children of God and heirs of heaven; and made part of the mission and work of Jesus Christ. Interestingly, we tend to forget that we are part of the mission and work of Christ. As nicely put by Pope Pius XII, in Baptism "we do not merely belong to the church, we are the church. This means that wherever Christians dwell and make a living, there the Church exists. Because we are baptized Christians, Christ has in us a spokesperson where we work, with friends and in our family. We are thus the representatives of Christ in our world. This mission given us remains with us throughout our lifetime: we are never re-baptized because we were commissioned in the sacrament of Baptism to represent Jesus Christ for the rest of our lifetime.

Today, we remember the Baptism of Jesus, His public embrace of His mission from the Father, and His compassion and solidarity with humanity. It is a good day to recall our baptism too: the day our original and actual sins were washed away; the day we became children of God, members of the Church, citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem; the day we became joint heirs of the rich inheritance being kept for us in heaven. We recall when heavens were opened for us, the Holy Spirit descended on us, and we were commissioned to do God's work. Our call is still there, indelible, irrevocable, un-erasable and irreversible. We rededicate ourselves to God and promise to give up everything that does not come from God and does not lead to God.

We join our Freshers in thanking God for Journey Mercies and Safe Arrival to the Premiere University in Ghana. We encourage you to make the Chaplaincy environment an essential component of your life and stay on Campus and its environs. Be thankful you are part of this one big family. We continue to pray Journey Mercies for our dear continuing students as they prepare to make their journeys back to us. May God's Grace be with us throughout this Semester.

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

Happy and Blessed New Year 2022!

God bless and keep you safe.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

Have a Blessed Week.

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 Baghrmwin-0277154777 CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

READINGS FOR THE DAY 1st Reading: Is 40:1-5,9-11 **2nd Reading**; *Tit* 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Gospel: Lk 3:15-16,21-22. ·----/---/

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

Dues (Membership) Cards and Regis-

tration: 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 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.

Twi Catechism/Sunday School Regis-

tration: Registration for the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation for the Twi Catechism and Sunday School will begin on Tuesday December 7, 2021 and end on Monday February 28, 2021.

Archdiocesan Synodal Dialogue -**Discerning and Deciding**

Dear Parishioner(s), greetings of peace in the New Year. Kindly find below some questions given to the Chaplaincy to reflect on as part of the preparations for an Archdiocesan Synodal Dialogue.

Please give your views on the guestions asked on discernment and decision-making so that we can collate responses for onward submission to the Archdiocese. Your views are important so please take some time to pray about and give your input.

You may post your responses via WhatsApp to me for collation. Together, let us make our Church

stronger!

Thank you and God bless you.

Committees, 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.

Sincere Thanks

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Ro- Parish Council Election sary Confraternity: All members 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 on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6:00pm and 5:00pm respec- Prayer Groups (2) is also to submit the are warmly welcome.

Groups/ Societies Representatives: Representatives of the undermentioned groups and are informed that Church has societies should submit their passportresumed. Parishioners who wish size pictures to the Electoral Committee latest by Mid-January, 2022.

Prayer Group – 2

Discerning and Deciding

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In a Synodal style we make decisions

through discernment of what the Holy

Spirit is saying through the whole com-

1. What methods and processes do we

2. How can they be improved? How do

we promote participation in decision

3. What is the relationship between

consultation and decision making, and

4. What tools and procedures do we use

to promote transparency and accounta-

Rev. Sr. Prof. Emily Owusu Ansah

Infant Baptism: There will be Infant

Baptism on Saturday January 15, 2022 at

4.00pm. Parishioners who would want

their children/wards to be baptised

should please come for instructions on

Friday January 14, 2021 at the Chaplain-

cy at 5.00pm with their children/wards'

how do we put these into practice?

making within hierarchical structures?

- Women's |Groups 2
- Youth Council

tively. Both new and old members name of its representatives and picture to the Electoral Commission

Youth Corner

Youth Corner - Home Coming! Home Coming!! Home Coming!!!: The Youth Council is inviting all youth of the Chaplaincy to its Maiden Homecoming.

Theme: "Let us Return and Rebuild the Tent, Oh Catholic Youth" (Acts 15:16)

Date: 9th to 16th January, 2022

Venue: Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church, KNUST – Kumasi

We invite all you to actively participate in the program





1. Dr. Bertrand Festus Nero, son of Mr. Gilbert Nero and Mad. Faustina Tokuu, born at Damongo, resided in Kumasi, now residing at KNUST Campus, Kumasi and Ms. Justina Beere, daughter of Mr. Tobias Beere and Mrs. Edith Beere, born at Mbo, resided at Ash. Bekwai, now residing at Apirade New Site (3rd Announcement – To be Introduced at all Masses).

2. Mr. Righteous Atta Owusu, son of Mr. Ashford Charles Atta Owusu and Mrs. Gladys Atta Owusu, born at Agric-Nzema, Kumasi, now residing at Sokoban, Kumasi and Ms. Seraphina Afua Kotoka, daughter of Mr. Prosper Kotoka and Mrs. Diana Kotoka, born at Agona Asaaman, now residing at Ahodwo Nhyiaso (3rd Announcement – To be Introduced at all Masses).

3. Mr. Andrew Anafo, son of Mr. Anafo and Mad. Atoege, born at Tongo Beo, used to reside at Kentinkrono, now residing at Ejisu-Onwe and **Ms. Sabina Lambeme**, daughter of Mr. Peter Dagbannab and Mad. Augustina Anafo, born at Adukrom, Kumasi now residing at Kintampo (3rd Announcement – To be Introduced at all Masses).

4. Mr. Kwamina Banyin Afful, son of Mr. Matthew Afful and Mrs. Georgina Afful, born in Kumasi, now residing in the United States of America and **Ms. Jacyntha Okrah**, daughter of

Mr. Kobby Yebo-Okrah and Mrs. Mary Yebo-Okrah, born in Kumasi, now residing in the United Kingdom (3rd Announcement - To be Introduced at all Masses). **5.** Mr. Richardson Arthur Yeboah, son of Mr. Arthur Yeboah and Mrs. Beatrice Arthur Yeboah, born in Kumasi, resided at KNUST, now residing at Spintex Road, Accra and Ms. Ethel Seiwaa Boateng, daughter of Mr. Ampadu Boateng and Mad. Rose Koranteng, born at Pepease – Kwahu, now residing at Adenta – Accra (2nd Announcement).

6. Mr. Gilbert Amponsah, son of Mr. Ernest Yaw Darkwa and Mad. Ernestina Hoenyedzi, born at Tema, resided at Tema Community 1, now residing at Tarkwa Esuoso and Ms. Mercy Kudebong, daughter of Mr. Daniel Kudebong and Mad. Leticia Kudebong, born at U.S.T. – Kumasi, residing at Ayiyga Zongo, Kumasi. (1st Announcement)

Funeral Announcement & Invitation

1. Mrs. Rose Sarfo Asante, a parishioner and member of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus announces the funeral of her mother Madam Mary Nsiah (a.k.a. Adwoa Asokwa, Adwubi\) as follows: lying in state on Saturday January 15, 2022 at her family house, burial service at the Methodist Church, burial follows, final funeral rites at the funeral grounds, thanksgiving service on Sunday January 16, 2022 at the Methodist Church, family gathering at the funeral grounds – all at Kwaso Deduako. Parishioners are invited to mourn with Mrs. Rose Sarfo Asante and her bereaved family. (Mrs. Rose Sarfo Asante to be introduced)

 2. Mr. Dominic Nti Buabeng, a parishioner and member of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity and Senior Assistant Registrar, Development Office, KNUST announces the death of his mother Obaapanin Theresa Ntiriwaa Nsiah. The one-week observation will be held on Tuesday January 11, 2022 at Nkoransa Ampabame, off Obuasi Road. A bus will leave the Chaplaincy to Nkoransa Ampabame at 1.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with Mr. Dominic Nti Buabeng and the bereaved family.

<u>Request for Support – Daughters of the</u> 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 Preschool from the ages of 3 months to 5 years. Interested parishioners should contact Mariam on 0509313665.

Our Lady of Grace (OLAG) S.H.S. – Mamponteng: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School is a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mamponteng (15kms away from Kumasi) within the Catholic Diocese of Konongo-Mampong. They offer the following courses:

- General Science
- General Arts
- Business

Vocational Skills (Visual Arts and Home Economics)

Please, contact them on: 020-3709298, 0554-8093814, 024-9291896. You may also visit the Notice Boards to read for yourselves 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, (35 to 40 years) in Accra . Interested persons should please call on 0576336002 for further enquiries.

4. <u>Home Teacher</u>: 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.

Archbishop Porter Girl's Polytechnic: The Archbishop Porter Girl's Polytechnic at Elmina is admitting students for the following programs – For B.E.C.E. Holders: **Certificate in Business Studies**: Acounting, Keyboarding Processing, Information and Communication Technology (ITC)

Professional Courses: Typist, Stenographer, Stenographer Secretary, Private Secretary

Diploma Programs: DBS Accounting, DBS Management, DBS Secretarial, DBA (Diploma in Business Administration), Diploma in Catering

Higher National Diploma Programs:

HND Secretaryship and Management, HND Hospitality, Catering and Institutional Management

The cost of Admission Form is GH**¢**50.00 and is available at the school or can be downloaded on the school's website (<u>www.archbishopporterspoly.edu.gh</u>). Downloaded forms would be paid for upon submission.

Please, contact these numbers for more information: 0245126556 / 0242078516 / 0544107279. You may also visit the Notice Boards to read for yourselves.

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.

House for Rent: For the information of parishioners who may be interested in renting an accommodation, there is one available at Feyiase (barely 15 to 20 minutes from KNUST Campus. Interested persons may please call on: 0202027360.

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.