

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY— 14/02/22 – 6.30pm

Jer. 1:1-11 / 118:67-68, 71-72, 75-76 /
Mk. 8:11-13 (St. Cyril and St. Methodius)

**TUESDAY— 15/02/22 -
6:30am/7:00pm**

Jas. 1:12-18 / Ps. 94:12-15, 18-19 /
Mk. 8:14-21

WEDNESDAY - 16/02/22 – 6:30am

Jas. 1:18-27 / Ps. 14:2-5 / Mk. 8:22-26

THURSDAY— 17/02/22 – 7:00pm

1 Kgs. 11:4-13 / Ps. 106:3-4, 35-37,
40 / Mk. 7:24-30 St. Scholastica)

FRIDAY—18/02/22 — 6:30am

1 Kgs. 11:29-32; 12:19 / Ps. 81:10-15 /
Mk. 7:31-37 (Our Lady of Lourdes)

SATURDAY— 19/02/22—7:00am

Jas. 2:1-9 / Ps. 34:2-7 / Mk. 8:27-33
(The Seven Founders of the Order of
Servants)

Next Sunday February 20, 2022 –
Seventh Sunday in

Ordinary Time (Cycle C):

7.00pm —Vigil Mass,

6.30am – 1st Mass,

8.00am – 2nd Mass

10.00am – 3rd Mass.

Please all parishioners should take
note

1st Reading – 1 Sam. 26:7-9, 12-13,
22-23

Res. Psalm – Ps. 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-
13

2nd Reading – 1 Cor. 15:45-49

Gospel – Lk. 6:27-38

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True Happiness of the Follower of Jesus

Dear people of God, we celebrate today the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C). Our readings for this weekend invite us to look at where true happiness lies and warns that those who are trying to be daughters and sons of God often miss it. Those called “blest” are those who trust in the Lord, those who are poor, hungry, weeping, and those who endure insult on account of God, for their reward shall be great: eternal life.

The Old and New Testaments, present us with two ways of life: the way of those who trust and follow God; and those who follow the way of the evildoer. Whichever way we choose to follow, there are consequences. Those who follow the way of the Lord will be happy: they are like the tree planted beside the flowing waters and whose roots go into the stream. It yields its fruit in season and out of season. On the contrary, those who follow the way of sinners and the counsel of the wicked are on a path to sorrow and doom. Those who follow the Lord in this world, with the hope of eternal life, will have to endure many trials and tribulations. They will be hungry, insulted, and persecuted. But they are the truly “blessed” ones, because they put their hope and trust in God, and their reward will indeed be great in heaven.

The prophet Jeremiah preached at a point of great moral decay in the Jewish people’s history, warning them of impending disaster if they did not repent of their sins and renew their fidelity to the covenant with Yahweh. Of particular concern to Jeremiah was the manner in which the kings of Israel were making alliances with various pagan nations. In his eyes, seeking security through reliance on the military might of their neighbours was tantamount to placing faith in the pagan gods of those nations. Today’s first reading reflects a rhetorical style in which blessings and curses are juxtaposed to emphasize the only viable path to true happiness: reliance on God alone. Indeed, blessed or happy are they who trust in the Lord.

We have dramatic and challenging words of Jesus in today’s Gospel. The “Beatitudes” of Jesus, given us in Luke’s Gospel, are different from those pronounced by Him in Matthew’s Gospel. In the latter, Jesus is on the mountainside where He gives us eight great visions of discipleship, the eight beatitudes. The rest of that long Sermon on the Mount shows us how to attain them. In Luke’s Gospel, Jesus is on a level plain, a crossroad, and mingles with the people, apostles, disciples and non-disciples, rich and poor, those in sorrow and those at happier times in their life. He pronounces, on one hand, “blessed” those who are poor, hungry, weeping, and persecuted; and on the other hand “woe” to the rich, the satisfied, the joyful, and those people speak well of. However, when the Lord says “blessed” are you poor, hungry, and so on, He is not saying to those who are burdened by life that their life is ideal. The Lord is teaching us that there is a truth within their circumstances, a strength they do not realize. Within the tragedy of their lives is a hidden grace. Likewise, when the Lord says “woe” to the rich, the satisfied, and the popular, He means that there is hidden danger in their lives.

If as Christians we look for spiritual strength, eternal life, inner healing, full happiness, deep fulfillment in the wealth we have or in popularity, we will be disappointed. Wealth does not ensure happiness, a faithful marriage, or spiritual vitality. If we look for the truth of ourselves in the health and happiness of the moment, we can deceive ourselves. The reason the Lord speaks of “woe” to the rich, the contented, the popular, is that we can deceive ourselves and not go any deeper than these things. On the other hand, when we face poverty, need, grief, and unpopularity, illusions tend to evaporate quickly. For all of us who have known grief, we know that tragedy can be like a spiritual eye opener: opening us to the deep waters of God’s life, His will, and His grace. When things break apart, we discover the truth of human life, that our real anchor/hold is not material, but spiritual. Through these “blessings” and “woes”, the Lord is teaching us to look at what really nourishes our soul. The standards of the world are not those of God. Jesus’ way of looking at life turns upside down our usual ideas and values. Do we draw our self-worth, identity, and purpose in life from the surface or stream? Blessed are they who trust in the Lord.

My dear Students, we keep encouraging you to make the Chaplaincy environment an essential part of your life and stay on Campus and its environs. We pray life on campus returns to normalcy. Please, do take good care of yourselves! May God’s Grace sustain us.

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.

God bless and keep you safe.

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 Baghrmwini-0277154777

CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Jer. 17:5-8

2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 15:12, 16-20

Gospel: Lk. 6:17, 20-26



General Notices

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

Thanksgiving Mass – Rev. Fr. Gabriel Obodai Torgbor: Rev. Fr. Gabriel Obodai Torgbor, a parishioner and a Mass Server who was ordained as a Catholic Priest for the Archdiocese of Accra last year is saying his Thanksgiving Mass at the 8:00am Mass today Sunday, February 13, 2022. He will be at all the Masses. Individuals, Groups and Societies who have any presentations to make should kindly do so. Parishioners should please take note.

Send-Off Ceremony for Rev. Fr. Prince Owusu-Sarpong: There will be a Send-Off Ceremony next Sunday February 20, 2022 in honour of Rev. Fr. Prince Owusu-Sarpong who will be leaving the Chaplaincy on transfer. He will preside over the 8.00am Mass and will also be present at all Masses. Individuals, Groups and Societies who have any presentations to make should kindly do so. Please, take note.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please, sign up to receive News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy. You can do so at the Covid-19 Registration Desk after Mass or send a WhatsApp message to this number: 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 (GHS6.00) 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.

Biblical Apostolate Formation: It is announced for the information of parishioners that the Biblical Apostolate Formation program is on-going at the Pastoral Centre – Christian Village. The duration is two (2) years and participants meet on the third weekend of every month. Interested parishioners should register with Mr. Isaac Dwirah Jr. or at the Chaplaincy Office.

Lenten Season! Lenten Season!! Lenten Season!!!: Parishioners are please, informed to look out for the Programme of Activities for the 2022 Lenten Season which will start from March 7 to April 13, 2022.

Twí Catechism/Sunday School Registration: Registration for the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation for the Twí Catechism and Sunday School began on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 and will end on Monday, February 28, 2022. Meanwhile, the Twí Catechism comes off every Tuesday at 5.30pm.

Collection of Baptismal Cards: The Chaplaincy Office wishes to remind parishioners (Parents and Guardians) who have their children and wards Baptismal Cards at the office to please come and pick them,

Chapel Fund Collection: There will be a second collection at all Masses next Sunday February 20, 2022 as part of Fund Raising in support of our Chapel Building. Please, all parishioners should take note and come prepared.

Sim Cards Registration: Personnel from the Vodafone and MTN Services are here today Sunday February 13, 2022 for the registration of Sim Cards. Parishioners should please see them after each Mass.

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.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Ro-

sary Confraternity: Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary Praesidium meet on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6:00pm and 5:00pm respectively. Both new and old members are warmly welcome.

Nigerian Catholic Community (NICCO): All Nigerian Catholics

residing in the Ashanti Region as Missionaries, Businessmen/Women, and Students are kindly requested to attend an All-Nigerian Mass today Sunday February 13, 2022 at St. Joseph's Parish, Tarkwa Maakro at 12noon.

Sincere Thanks

Marriage Banns



Youth Corner

1. Youth Mass comes off this and every Thursday at 7pm.

All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

2. The Chaplaincy Youth Council wishes to invite you to their Pre-Valentine's Day Dinner today Sunday February 13, 2022 at the R.P. Baffour Complex at 6.00pm prompt. The theme for the Dinner is *"Growing a Healthy Social Relationship before and after Marriage"*. Hope to see you there.

NB: This program is *"a strictly 15 years and above affair"*

Mothers should not come along with their kids, because all kids have been catered for at Sunday School.

Pax Corner

Students' Mass comes off this and every Tuesday at 7pm

We are still urging parishioners and students who took envelopes in support of the Pax Welfare System to return them with their donations. Envelopes are still available.

Funeral Announcement & Invitation

Funeral Announcement: We announce the death of Mrs. Mary Awutey (also known as Fabulous), a parishioner and a member of Sacred Heart and Rosary Confraternity. The one-week celebration would be held on Saturday, 19th February 2022 at Terrazzo House, Boadi from 6:00am to 6:00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Invitation to One (1) Year Anniversary of Death: Mr. Kwame Obeng Acheampong, widow and his family are inviting parishioners to the first anniversary of the death of their wife and relative Mrs. Elizabeth Obeng Acheampong next Sunday February 13, 2022 at H/No. Plt.1, Blk. 'G', Ayigya Ext. near City of Kumasi Preparatory School or Semanhyia Hotel at 12noon.

2. Mr. Dominic Nti Buabeng, a parishioner and member of Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity and Senior Assistant Registrar, Development Office – KNUST invites parishioners to the final funeral of his mother and sister Obaapanin Theresa Nsiah (a.k.a. Yaa Ntiriwaa) and Mrs. Hannah Kumah (a.k.a. Afia Sarpong) respectively as follows: lying in state on Saturday February 19, 2022 at Nkoransa Ampabame No. 2, off-Obuasi Road at 5.00am, burial Mass at St. Anthony Catholic Church at 10.00am, burial follows, final funeral rites at the funeral grounds from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday February 20, 2022 at St. Anthony Catholic Church at 9.00am, family gathering after thanksgiving Mass. Parishioners are invited to mourn with Mr. Nti Buabeng and family. **(Mr. Dominic Nti Buabeng to be introduced)**

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:

Our Lady of Grace (OLAG) S.H.S. – Mampong: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School is a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mampong (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.

3. **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.

3. **Cooks, Receptionists and Bar Attendants wanted:** A parishioner is looking for qualified persons to be employed in a Hotel as Cooks, Receptionists and Bar Attendants. Interested persons should leave their applications at the Chaplaincy Office latest by the close of Tuesday February 15, 2022.

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:** Accounting, Keyboarding, Processing, Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

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 (www.archbishoppporterspoly.edu.gh). 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.

House for Rent: 1. 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.

2. A four-bedroom house and a two-bedroom flat at Asokwa is ready for renting. Interested persons can contact: 0277712314 / 0209915934 for help

Accommodation: A parishioner is in need of a single room self-contained apartment around Kotei, Deduako, Gyinyase or Boadi. Please, call her on: 0277677978 to help her.

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.