

## MASS SCHEDULE

### MONDAY— 02/05/22 – 6.30am

Acts 6:8-15 / Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 / Jn. 6:22-29 (St. Athanasius)

### TUESDAY— 03/05/22 -

6:30am/7:00pm

1 Cor. 15:1-8 / Ps. 19:2-5 / Jn. 14:6-16 (Sts. Philip and James)

### WEDNESDAY—04/05/22 –

6:30am

Acts 8:1b-8 / Ps. 66:1-7 / Jn. 6:35-40

### THURSDAY— 05/05/22 – 7:00pm

Acts 8:26-40 / Ps. 66:8-9, 16-17, 29 / Jn. 6:44-51

### FRIDAY—06/05/22 — 6:30am

Acts 9:1-20 / Ps. 117:1-2 / Jn. 6:52-59

### SATURDAY— 30/04/22—7:00am

Acts 9:31-42 / Ps. 116:12-17 / Jn. 6:60-69

### Next Sunday May 08, 2022 – 4th Sunday of Easter (Cycle C)

7:00pm — Vigil Mass

6.30am – 1<sup>st</sup> Mass

8.00am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass

10.00am – 3<sup>rd</sup> Mass

Please all parishioners should take note

1st Reading – Acts 13:14, 43-52

Res. Psalm – Ps. 100:1-5

2nd Reading – Rev. 7:9, 14b-17

Gospel – Jn. 10:27-30

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### Do You Love Me? Follow Me!

Dearest in Christ, today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter, Year C. In today's Liturgy, we gather to proclaim that Christ is the Lord, the Lamb that was sacrificed, and who is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing. The apostles accepted every kind of humiliation rather than give up proclaiming His name.

In a kind of heavenly liturgy in which an angel asks who is worthy to open the scroll that is sealed with seven seals, which contains the Purpose of God, the second reading presents the triumph of the suffering Christ inside the court of heaven in the presence of God. At first it appears that no one is worthy. But then the response of all present – first, those in the heavenly court (the four living creatures, the elders, and the angels), next all creation (on earth as well as in heaven) – is to sing that the slain Lamb is worthy. Their cry becomes a chorus of praise for the slain Lamb, an image which evokes the redemptive paschal sacrifice of Christ. It is precisely the Christ who suffered who is worthy to open up for all the eternal purposes of God.

Peter rightly says: "We must obey God rather than men", even if it means discomfort and persecution. Clearly, the number of "Alleluia" that we shout is not what matters: rather, it is by the quality of our obedience to Christ's Word that we ultimately show how much we love God. To obey and follow the Lord comes with opposition. Suffering in service of mission is the lot of the apostles who are hauled into court for having preached the name of Jesus in defiance of the Sanhedrin, a powerful juridical body that ruled in the Jewish community at the time and had condemned Jesus. Not only do the disciples show no fear in the face of this dangerous opposition, they positively rejoice that they have been ill-treated "for the sake of the name" of Jesus. Their mission goes in spite of persecution, trials and persistent warning and treats because of their unflinching love for the Risen Lord.

The Gospel tells of a meal with the resurrected Jesus. It begins with failure. The disciples have spent the night fishing and caught nothing. When Jesus appears and tells them where to cast their nets however, they haul 153 fish into their boat. When one recalls that at the beginning of John's Gospel the call of the disciples to share in the mission of Jesus was described in terms of catching fish, the symbolism of this event at the end of John's Gospel becomes clear. In the presence and under the direction of the Risen Lord, the disciples can undertake their evangelizing mission with new and unparalleled fruitfulness. The meal that follows literally brings the

fruit of the combined work of Jesus and His followers to the table and in a gesture of humble service, Jesus prepares the meal Himself. Though the Beloved Disciple, and through him Peter, recognized Jesus while they were still at sea, in the meal itself this knowledge is revealed to be general. Hence, no one dared to question Him, for they knew it was the Lord. After the meal, we are told about a "feeding" in yet another way. In response to Peter's three-fold profession of love for Him, Jesus asks this disciple who three times betrayed Him during His passion to "feed my sheep". Though Peter is warned that as a faithful servant he will experience suffering, he is called to follow the Master and asked to give up his very life.

We do not often get a second chance when we make a mistake in life. The Risen Lord gave the apostles exactly that, the gift of a second chance. Their going fishing makes it seem that their belief in the Resurrection had not yet taken hold of their lives. They were going back to the business they knew as if nothing had really changed in their lives. They needed revival, as witnesses to the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. That is what Jesus gives them. We are reminded that just as Jesus meets Peter and the other apostles there by the side of the sea, He meets us in the ordinary places of our lives to re-instate and re-commission us to serve Him wherever we are placed. While we must obey the authorities, obedience to God must come first. The Risen Christ now lives with the Father, but He has not abandoned His disciples. He continues to be present and direct our lives and work through His Word. We are sent to bring in the catch, shepherd the flock and follow the Master. When we follow His counsel, the results are often extraordinary.

My dear Students, make the Chaplaincy environment an essential part of your life as you stay on Campus and its environs. Hold on to your faith. Stay connected to God by participating in Chaplaincy activities and personal prayer life. Do take good care of yourselves! May the Victory of the Risen Lord sustain us.

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

Have a Blessed and Fruitful Easter Season.

God bless and keep you safe.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us.

#### READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

2nd Reading: Rev. 5:11-14

Gospel: Jn. 21:1-19



#### PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah- 0249999616

Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine- 0207024221

Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwini-0277154777

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## General Notices

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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

**Covid-19 Protocols:** We plead and encourage all parishioners to please continue to wear the “**NOSE MASKS**” while in church for Liturgical Celebrations. All are encouraged to continue to observe the other Covid-19 Protocols.

**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 do not have 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 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.

**Adoration Chapel:** Groups/Societies/Individual who would want to know more about the ‘Adoration Chapel’ should please contact Prof. Stephen Adu-Bredu to help you so that you can make good use of the place.

**Public Holidays:** Monday May 2, and Tuesday May 3, 2022 are Public Holidays. As a result, the Chaplaincy Office will not be opened. The Office will resume on Wednesday May 3, 2022.

Monday Mass will also be in the morning at 6.30am. Parishioners should please take note.

**Mothers’ Day – Sunday May 8, 2022):** Next Sunday May 8, 2022 will be Mothers’ Day. All Women’s Groups and all women are entreated to bring Offertory Gifts at all Masses. Women’s Groups and Societies are encouraged to be in their outfits.

**Collection of Food Items for St. Gregory Seminary at Parkoso:** The Archdiocese of Kumasi is organising the yearly Food Collection for St. Gregory Seminary, Parkoso. The Chaplaincy is supposed to send food items on behalf of the Archdiocese to the Seminary. Therefore, parishioners are entreated to bring non-perishable food items like Milo, Nido, Oil, Rice, Sugar, Gari, Sardines, Mackerel, etc. to support them. The period for the collection is **now to next Sunday May 8, 2022**



## Committees, Groups & Societies

**Welfare Committee:** The Welfare Committee wishes to inform parishioners that members from the committee will be visiting the various groups and societies on their meeting days to ask for their representatives on the committee. All are encouraged to cooperate with them.

**Charismatic Renewal (Local):** Members are being informed that today May 1, 2022, Prayer Meeting starts at 4.00pm at the Bishop Sarpong Hall at the Dr. R.P. Baffoe Complex as a result of meeting the Great Commission Team who will enlighten us on the new way of Evangelisation. Members are encouraged to come early and also in their numbers. Any inconvenience caused is deeply regretted.

**Catholic Women Association (CWA):** The Catholic Women Association is in-

forming new members to join them. Interested parishioners are to meet with the President after Mass.

**Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity:** Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

**Legion of Mary:** The Legion of Mary, Twi and English Praesidia, Virgin Most Powerful and Our Lady of Holy Rosary meet this and every Wednesday and Thursday at 5.30pm respectively. New and old members are warmly welcome.

**Christian Mothers’ Association – Invitation of Christian ‘Sons and Daughters’:** The Christian Mothers’ Association at the Chaplaincy here are inviting young boys and girls (Christian Daughters/Sons from 6 years and above, i.e. class one to the uni-

versity level who are not married) to join their Association. Interested parishioners should encourage their children/wards to join them.

**Movement of Christian Workers (MCW):** Members of the Movement will meet on Monday May 2, 2022 at Kentinkrono at 1.00pm prompt. All members are encouraged to be present at the meeting.

**Health Screening Exercise:** Knights of Marshall will be organising a Health Screening Exercise at the Chaplaincy here today Sunday May 1, 2022. Areas of Screening – Prostate Abnormalities, Diabetes, Hypertension, Renal and Liver Abnormalities, Obesity, Cardiovascular Risk, Eye and Ear and others. Cost: GH¢110.00. You should please come along with any ID Card. Contact Bro. (Dr.) Joseph A. Benti on 0241133879.

## Sincere Thanks

Mrs. Ernestina Banahene is expressing her sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, St. John International, St. Philomena Society, all groups and societies and individual parishioners for your sympathy and support during her bereavement. She asks for God’s blessings for you all.

## Marriage Banns



### Youth Corner

1. Youth Mass comes off this and every **Thursday at 7pm**. All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

### Pax Corner

**Students' Mass** comes off this and every **Tuesday at 6:30pm**

#### **PRAYERFEST, 2022**

The climax of Prayerfest is happening this evening at **6:00pm** at the Chaplaincy. Plan to attend.

#### **Soul Food**

As Mother Theresa said "Peace begins with a smile." As Pax Romana, let's share this peace of Christ as we wear big smiles on our faces, each day as we interact with others.

## Funeral Invitations & Announcements

1. Messrs Michael Tarkpah Boakye and Samuel Tarkpah are inviting parishioners to the funeral of their father Mr. Leonard Tarkpah – a former parishioner as follows: the body had since been buried, final funeral rites comes off on Saturday May 7, 2022 at Weweso Basic School park, near Silicon Hotel from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday May 8, 2022 at the Chaplaincy at 8.00am, family gathering at Weweso Basic School park, near Silicon Hotel from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. **(Messrs Michael Tarkpah Boakye and Samuel Tarkpah to be introduced).**
2. Mr. Frank Nana Yaw Owusu-Ansah, a parishioner is inviting parishioners to the final funeral rites of his mother Mad. Florence Owusu-Ansah as follows: lying in state on Saturday May 7, 2022 at St. Francis Schools, Bomso, burial Mass at the Chaplaincy at 8.30am, burial at Ayigya, final funeral rites at St. Francis Schools, Bomso from 1.00pm to 5.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday May 8, 2022 at the Chaplaincy at 10.00am, family gathering at St. Francis Schools, Bomso, at 1.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family. **(Mr. Frank Nana Yaw Owusu-Ansah to be introduced)**
3. Parishioners are invited to the final funeral rites of Mr. George Adarkwa (a.k.a. Kwadwo Asamoah, Abusua) a former parishioner on Saturday May 7, 2022 at Kaase Roman Catholic School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm

**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.

**“Leaving or Living Temptation”:** Leaving or Living Temptation is a book written by Rev. Fr. Louis Cecilia Adu-Poku and is available for sale. Interested parishioners may contact Dr. Eugene Appiah Effah on 0243034733 for your copies. You may also reach Rev. Fr. Louis Cecilia Adu-Poku on his personal WhatsApp No. 0244173471 or Rev. Fr. Michael Owusu Kwarteng on 0551520320 / 0260797875.

**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.

4. A parishioner is looking for a Catholic Lady to live in and take care of an apartment. Interested persons should please call on: 0208198270.

5. A parishioner is looking for a Catholic Lady to live in and take care of an apartment. Interested persons should please call on: 0208198270.

6. Someone is looking for two (2) ladies between the ages of 19 and 25 to work with in Bread Making Business. She will give them accommodation and also teach them how to go about the bread making. The workplace is at Oduom. Please contact her on: 0546437159.

**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.archbishopporterspoly.edu.gh](http://www.archbishopporterspoly.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:** A four-bedroom house and a two-bedroom flat at Asokwa is ready for renting. Interested persons can contact: 0277712314 / 0209915934 for help.

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 parishioner has a chamber and hall self contained to rent at Apemso. Call 0201144825/0558330643 for further information.

**Accommodation:** 1. 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.

2. A parishioner is in dire need of a single room apartment around Ayigya, Bomo, Kentinkrono, Oduom, Kotei Ayeduse or Deduako. Please, call on: 0242660612 or 050 595 3699 to help.

**Catholic Technical Institute (CTI):** Catholic Technical Institute located at Buokrom Estate is admitting fresh students both full time and part time for the following NABPTEx Programme: (a) Air-Condition and Refrigeration (b) Architectural Designing Technology (c) Auto Body Works (d) Auto Mobile Engineering (e) Building Construction Technology (f) Carpentry & Joinery (g) Catering (h) Electronic Engineering Technology (i) Fashion And Design Technology (j) Mechanical Engineering Technology (k) Plumbing & Gas Technology and (i) Welding & Metal Fabrication. Call on these number for help: 0209342299 / 0322070702 / 0245024615 / 0244051857.

**Sale of Magazines:** Parishioners are being informed that today Sunday April 24, 2022, the Divine Mercy Sunday, Seminarians from St. Gregory The Great Provincial Major Seminary at Parkoso are here at the Chaplaincy to sell their Magazines. We entreat all parishioners to patronise the Magazines.