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DATE: 6TH NOVEMBER, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 07/11/22 - 6:30pm

Tit. 1:1-9 / Ps. 24:1-6 / Lk. 17:1-6

TUESDAY - 08/11/22 6:30am

Tit. 2:1-8, 11-14 / Ps. 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29 / Lk. 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY - 09/11/22 - 6:30am

Ez. 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 / Ps. 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 / 1 cor. 3:9c-11, 16-1 / Jn. 2:13-22 (Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome)

THURSDAY - 10/11/22 - 7:00pm

Philem. 7-20 / Ps. 146:7-10 / Lk. 17:20-25 (St. Leo the Great)

FRIDAY 11/11/22 - 6:30am

2 Jn. 4-9 / Ps. 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18 / Lk. 17:26-37 (St. Martin of Tours)

SATURDAY - 12/11/22 - 7:00am

3 Jn. 5-8 / Ps. 112:1-6 / Lk. 18:1-8 (St. Josephat)

Next Sunday November 13, 2022 - Thirty - Third 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 - Mal. 3:19-20a

Res. Psalm - Ps. 98:5-9

2nd Reading - 2 Thess. 3:7-12

Gospel - Lk. 21:5-19

Life After Death: Hope In The Resurrection

Dear People of God, today, we celebrate the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. The Liturgy of the Word reminds us that however cruelly the world may treat us, we can always rejoice in the glorious future promised us by Christ, when we will be filled with the vision of God's glory. In response to an attempt to ridicule His teaching about life after death and our eternal destiny with God, Jesus proclaims a resurrection of the dead; that life is indeed stronger than death itself. This is our eternal consolation and hope. Then will our joy be truly complete.

The heroism of a family of seven brothers and their mother in the face of death is the subject of today's first reading. Under the Seleucid dynasty, Palestinian Jews were being pressured to give up the mandates of their religion in favour of Hellenistic practices. Resistance to the Hellenizing policies of the Seleucids could cost pious Jews their lives, yet some did resist, as today's passage illustrates. These Jews are those known as the *Hasidim* or the "pious ones". Significant for our liturgy today is the testimony of the last brother who professes faith in a resurrection from the dead. Belief in a personal resurrection or an afterlife did not appear in Judaism until 200 B.C., and so, at that time, it was a relatively novel idea. As it is presented here, the wicked will perish, and only the just will be raised. Faith in the resurrection gave this family strength to suffer persecution. The Psalmist celebrates the steadfastness in being faithful to the ways of God and expresses confidence in a future meeting with God. Having spent the night in the temple he expects to wake in God's presence with answers to his prayers for justice.

In the Gospel, Jesus is at last in Jerusalem and He continues to teach. There is a growing opposition to His ministry and the climax of His final confrontation with the religious and political authorities is about to come. The Gospel is one of a series of episodes in which spies of the enemies of Jesus are sent to trip him up - that is to ask Him questions seeking to discredit Him with the people. Some Sadducees question Jesus about the resurrection. Sadducees were a conservative group that accepted only the Torah (Pentateuch - the first five books of the Bible) and no subsequent writings (such as the Prophetic Literature). They believed neither in angels nor in the resurrection of the dead because they could not find it explicitly in the Torah and could not picture it too. Their question to Jesus is a *reductio ad absurdum* of the question of marital status in the next life. They try to make fun of His teaching about the life after death with the story of the woman with seven husband-brothers in a row.

The Mosaic Law foresaw a deceased man's surviving brother to marry his widow in order to beget a child who would carry on his family line and ensure that family property stays in the house. The story tries to show the problems after the resurrection for such a woman, who has been wife to seven brothers in sequence in an attempt

to get a child for her dead husband. Jesus' reply rebuts His antagonists on their own ground, arguing from the Torah in favour of belief in the resurrection. He turns the question from a legal riddle to a question of the identity and works of God Himself: God is love and life, concerned with the living. He clarifies the wrong assumption underlying the story, namely, that life after death is simply a continuation of life here, with people marrying and being married. Not so, in Jesus' reply. In the life with God, there is no need for marriage to ensure the continuation of humanity. With God, there is no death, and therefore, no need for marriage. There is a new form of life and existence that the dead receive directly from God. Jesus offers us an important teaching about our immortal soul and our eternal destiny with God. He defeats the cunning of His opponents by opening our minds to new and unexpected realities that offer hope.

Hope claims that no matter how negative our world may seem to be and treat us, we can always rejoice in the glorious future promised us by Christ, where we will be filled with the vision of God's glory. So, amidst our daily burdens, challenges and difficulties, we should muster up courage and keep pressing on. What should keep us going is the hope that one day our lives will be better, transformed and fulfilled, and we shall see God face to face. In that transformed eternal life with God, we will be finally cleansed and healed, set free to be the persons God created us to be. Our souls will be filled with Christ's life, peace and glory. There will be no more wanting, yearning, seeking and hustling. We will be with God and be at peace. The seven brothers courageously face persecution because they hope in God's promise of Eternal Life. Their heroic act urges us not to be afraid of persecution, hardship or even physical death. Rather, we should let the hope we have in the Eternal Kingdom sustain us in our difficulties. For God all are alive. He is the God of love and life and is stronger and more powerful than death.

Dear students, how are you doing? We miss you but such is life! Busy yourselves with the desire to know Christ through the Bible and the Writings of the Church. Know that love and life are stronger and more powerful than death. Our God is a God of the living, not of the dead. You count in His sight. Continue to let your Catholic faith and presence be felt in your home parishes. May God protect and keep us safe throughout the vacation. Pax!

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 are not. Your life is dear to us.

Have a Blessed and Fruitful Week.

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. Timothy Baghrmwini SJ - 0277154777
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READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: 2 Mac. 7:1-2, 9-14
2nd Reading: 2 Thess. 2:16 - 3:5
Gospel: Lk. 20:27-38



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.

Benediction: There will be benediction today Sunday November 6, 2022 at the Chaplaincy at 7.00pm prompt. All parishioners are encouraged to be present to pay.

Infant Baptism: There will be Infant Baptism on Saturday November 12, 2022 at 4.00pm. Parishioner who would want their children/wards to be baptized should come for instructions on Friday November 11, 2022 at the Chaplaincy at 5.30pm with their children/wards' godparents.

Sacrament of Confirmation for Sunday School and Twi Catechism Classes: There will be Confirmation next Sunday November 13, 2022 at the Chaplaincy during the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses for our Sunday School and Twi Catechism Children respectively. Parents, wards and all parishioners should 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 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 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 the 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 charge.

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.

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.

Chapel Pillars: Parishioners who made payments for Pillars in the Chapel Build-

ing should please visit the notice board in front of the Parish Centre to check their names and the correct spelling of their names and kindly report at the Chaplaincy Office.

Security Consciousness: Parishioners are being informed to be security conscious when we come to church. Groups/Societies should try to educate their members to be alert but not to create any fear in them. We encourage all parishioners to alert the Ushers of any unwanted behaviour. *“Say something when you see something”*

Use of Washrooms: We entreat parishioners; both children and adults, to put the washrooms to order and clean after use in order not to inconvenience the next user.

Solemnity of Corpus Christi: Parishioners are informed that Sunday November 20, 2022 is Solemnity of Christ the King (Corpus Christi). The procession will begin from the Cathedral Basilica at 1.00pm and will end at St. Theresa's Parish, Asawase. We encourage all parishioners to be there to pray for the country's economy.

Declining Numbers of Catholic Population: The Chaplaincy is collating solutions to the declining numbers of the Catholic Population for the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council Meeting in the last week of November, 2022. Individual parishioners, groups and societies can please send their contributions (Solutions) to the Chaplaincy Office WhatsApp No.0596036520 for onward transmission.

FUN FACT

Until the year 1054, all Christians in the world were Catholic. This was the year of the Great Schism, where the Eastern (Orthodox) and Western (Roman Catholic) churches split up.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Charismatic Renewal (Local): The C.C.R. – Local will be meeting today Sunday November 6, 2022 at their usual meeting place for prayers. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

Strategic Planning Committee: The Strategic Planning Committee is pleading with Groups/Societies who received their Questionnaire but have not returned them to kindly do so after completing because it is delaying the continuation of their assignment.

Health Committee: 1. The Chaplaincy Health Committee would like to first and foremost inform parishioners of its existence and also entreat you to channel your health needs and concerns to the Committee through the contact number 0241133879 (WhatsApp Number) for con-

sideration. These needs and concerns may help the Committee to plan its programme of activities for the year and subsequent years.

2. The Committee Members would be introduced to parishioners on Saturday November 12, 2022 after the

Anticipatory Mass and on Sunday November 13, at all Masses. Please take note.

Usher Meeting: The Chaplaincy Ushers will be meeting on Sunday November 20, 2022 immediately after the 8:00am Mass at the Chaplaincy. All members are entreated to be present for an important discussion.

Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee: The Chaplaincy Public Relations Committee would like to inform parishioners that we are live on Social Media. Find and connect

with us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and YouTube. You can also send us a mail on knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com.

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: 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.

Marriage Banns



Mr. Francis Kofi Adanfo, son of Mr. Athanasius Kodzo Adanfo and Mad. Paula Akosua, born at Papase, in the Oti Region, resided at Ayigya Zongo, now residing at Kotei and **Ms. Faustina Nkansah**, Daughter of Mr. Robert Nkansah and Mad. Comfort Adobea, born at Akyim-Begoro, resided at Kentinkrono, now residing at Kotei-Twumduase (**1st Announcement**)

Youth Corner

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

All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

Funeral Invitations

1. Mrs. Mary Adusei Offeh and her children are inviting parishioners to the one-week observation of the death of their husband and father Mr. Joseph Kofi Offeh (a.k.a. Manager – Hit Parade) on Tuesday November 8, 2022 at his residence at Ayigya near the Treasure Land Hotel. The family will come for the morning Mass at 6.30am then to the house for the observation.

Sincere Thanks

1. Mr. and Mrs. Pius Adusei and their families are expressing their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Marriage and Family Life Committee, Mass Servers, Catechists, Lectors, Pax Choir Alumni, Ushers, various groups and societies and individual parishioners for your prayers, presents and presence during their holy matrimony. They ask for God's blessings for you all.
2. Mr. Anastal Bevirea wishes to express his sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, parishioners and all who supported him during his bereavement. He prays for God's special blessings for you.
3. The Tengan Family wishes to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Mass Servers, Catechists, Ushers, Choirs, various groups and societies, and individual parishioners for your presence, show of love and support during the burial and final funeral rites of their dear mother and wife. They pray that God replenishes all that you lost in the course of sympathising with them.
4. The family of Madam Salome Sevor are expressing their thankfulness to the Chaplain, Mass Servers, Catechists, Choirs, Ushers and all parishioners for your support during her burial and funeral. They pray that the good Lord continues to shower His blessings upon you.

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 – Catholic Technical Institute (CTI): The 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 & Design Technology (j) Mechanical Engineering Technology (k) Plumbing & Gas Technology and (l) Welding & Metal Fabrication. Call on these numbers for help: 0209342299/ 0322070702 / 0245024615 / 0244051857.

Our Lady of Grace (OLAG) S.H.S., Mampong – 2023 Entrance Examination: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School, a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mampong (15kms away from Kumasi) within the Catholic Diocese of Konongo-Mampong is inviting students for 2023 Entrance Examination. Please, for full details, visit the Notice Board and read for yourselves.

St. Hubert Seminary Senior High School – This year’s Entrance Examination to St. Hubert Seminary Senior High School is scheduled for Saturday November 19, 2022 at 8.00am at the school premises.

Registration: The candidates are expected to come with **One (1) endorsed recent passport size photo and a registration fee of GH¢60.00** per candidate to the Seminary latest by **Monday November 14, 2022.**

Requirements

- i. J.H.S. Graduates
- ii. Baptised and Confirmed
- iii. Name of last J.H.S. school attended and Index Number of B.E.C.E.
- iv. Parents’ Contact

Non-Seminarians: We encourage baptised Catholics Non-Seminarians who would like to be admitted in St. Hubert to take part in the Entrance Examination.

NB: The candidates would be examined on English language, Mathematics and General Knowledge about the Catholic Church. Courses offered here are Genera Arts, General Science and Business.

Job Opportunity: 1. A parishioner wants a qualified Driver to work with. Interested parishioners should please call on 0263712771 / 0206879957.

2. Someone is looking for a lady between the ages of 19 and 25 to work with in Bread Baking Business. She will be given an accommodation and also teach her how to go about the bread making. The workplace is at Oduom. Interested parishioners should call 0546437159 or 0241294858 for help.

3. Someone is looking for two (2) young girls who are smart and ready to be trained as Hair Dressers at Oduom, near Maple Wood Hotel. This comes with no cost. You will only buy your uniform(s). Interested parishioners should please call Kukua on 0546437159.

4. Someone is Looking for a young Catholic girl to work as a cook and house help. Interested persons may call 0202027360.

5. A Private School located near KNUST has openings for:

- (1) An Assistant Head Teacher
- (2) An ICT Teacher and
- (3) A Teacher in the Lower Primary Department.

Please call on 0243922599 or 0595217735 for help.

Seeking for Job: A parishioner who has the qualification of a Professional Teacher is searching for a private/government school or even individuals to teach in and around Kotei. Interested persons/institutions can contact 0206744951 or 0595421091.

Rent Accommodation: A parishioner is in need of a 2-bedroom apartment accommodation around KNUST – i.e. Ayeduase, Kotei, Deduako, Ayigya, Oduom, Bomso, etc. Please, you may call on 0208168663 to help.

Rooms for Rent: A large room fitted with kitchenette, bath and toilet rooms. Available with effect from 1st September, 2022 at Ayeduase New Site, opposite Rhema Salvation Ministry, main KNUST-Ayeduase Road. Suitable for a single person, a couple or shared by at most 3 students of same sex. Contact 024 441 6770.

Fianke Renewable & Organics Ltd.: One of the safest ways to avoid the hospitals is by eating organic vegetables. Let’s provide you, home vegetable gardens in containers with 10 to 12 different vegetable crops for your household. We will assist you to your first harvest for as long as you wish. Call us on 0559492181.

Take your health at heart.

Devine Eye Care: The Devine Eye Care Optical Services and Vision will be visiting the Chaplaincy next Sunday November 13, 2022 for Eye Screening. They will be at the Klaver Hall. You may see them for your reading spectacle, designer frame, photo chronic bifocal lens, sophisticated frame and etc. Please, find time to visit them after each Mass for help.

Harvest 2022 Levies

Senior Members/Business Men & Women - **500.00**

Senior Staff - **300.00**

Junior Staff/House Wife - **150.00**

Tertiary Students-Univ./Poly. /Post Sec. - **50.00**

Senior High/Tech. Schools - **30.00**

JuniorHigh/Prim./Kindergarten- **20.00**