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Isa. 11:1-10 / Ps. 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Lk. 10:21-24

TUESDAY- 29/11/22 6:30am

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 28/11/22 - 6:30pm

Isa. 4:2-6 / Ps. 122:1-9 / Matt. 8:5-

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

Rom. 10:9-18 / Ps. 19:2-5 / Matt. 4:18-22 (St. Andrew)

THURSDAY- 01/12/22 - 7:00pm

Isa. 26:1-6 / Ps. 118:1, 8-9,19-21, 25-27 / Matt. 7:21. 24-27

FRIDAY 02/12/22 — 6:30am

Isa. 29:17-24 / Ps. 27:1, 4, 13-14 / Matt. 9:27-31

SATURDAY- 03/14/22-7:00am

Isa. 30:19-21, 23-26 / Ps. 147:1-6 / Matt. 9:35 - 10:1, 5a, 6-8 (Francis Xavier)

Next Sunday December 04, 2022 - Second Sunday of Advent (Cycle A)

7:00pm — Vigil Mass

6.30am - 1st Mass

8.00am - 2nd Mass

10.00am - 3rd Mass

Please all parishioners should take note

1st Reading – Isa. 11:1-10

Res. Psalm - Ps. 72:1-2. 7-8. 12-13.

2nd Reading - Rom. 15:4-9

Gospel - Matt. 3:1-12

Advent: Be Watchful and Ready for the Son of Man.

Dear People of God, today we celebrate the First Sunday of and one will be left. The implicit question to us is: which of Advent, Year (A). As we step into the Advent Season, a new them would you like to be? This calls for decision. If we would Liturgical Year begins in the Church which begins the Three- like to be ready to meet the Lord when He comes, we must Year Cycle of the story of our salvation. Advent is a period of begin now to get ready. Being alert and ready is what St Paul's preparation to commemorate the First Coming of Jesus at letter to the Romans develops in moral terms. As Christians, we Christmas. But the Church also uses the Season to remind us of know Christ has come already but we still live in a world which Christ's Second Coming. We are exhorted to prepare for the has not embraced the fullness of His coming. As we wait for the coming of the Lord.

It is certain that the Lord is coming, but the day or the hour is not known. The readings of Advent Season focus on the Coming of Christ in two ways: first, by continuing the eschatological themes of recent weeks, they anticipate the Final Coming of the Lord in glory at the end of time. Then, as Christmas draws nearer, the focus narrows to Christ's Coming in history, in the Mystery of the Incarnation. The coming of Christ the Lord, the Messiah, brings Joy, Hope, Love, and Peace to God's people and people of good will. The first reading from the prophet Isaiah, uses a very old image of the nations coming together to God on a mountain to describe in eschatological terms the final fulfilment of the hopes of Israel. Not just Israel but all peoples will be drawn to God, whose teaching (the Torah) will bring about both judgment (understanding, wisdom) and true peace. It describes a state of complete well-being, wholeness of life with God. This vision of a God-given peace descending on all nations results in weapons being turned into farm equipment, an end to wars and strife, because God's people walk in the light of the Lord.

In addition to the hope of peace and harmony offered by the prophet Isaiah, one feels the edge of tension and excitement in the Gospel reading. On the First Sunday of the Liturgical Year, we are called to readiness, watchfulness, alertness, and vigilance: not for the First Coming of Christ in the weakness and vulnerability of a human child, but for the Second Coming of Christ, in judgment and glory. How unflattering a comparison it seems at first sight: as householders watch out for thieves, who may rob them at any time without notice: so we must watch out for the return of our Lord. How frightening the notion of a coming as sudden and devastating as the flood in Noah's time. Yet these are images typical of Christian apocalyptic literature meant to stress the unexpected nature of the Lord's return and our need for attentiveness to the ultimate end of human history: Christ. Christians cannot be indifferent as in the days of Noah eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, and going about our life as usual - for the flood to sweep us away unaware. As people awaiting Jesus' return, the community of disciples must always be watchful and prepared because no one knows the day or the time. Our master can come any day, time or hour. We must be ready. It is in ordinary events that our Saviour comes to us

St Matthew unsettles us with the possibility that we may not have everything perfect with God. To human eyes one man ploughing a field looks much like another. One woman milling Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us. wheat looks much like another. But to God, who knows how each appears, they are never the same within. One will be taken

final consummation to be found in His Second Coming, we are to live good lives and so embody the message of His death, resurrection, and glorification in the present. Paul uses the contrast of darkness and light to make his point. Darkness and light are not merely external conditions over which we have no control, but are qualities of our lives that we may choose with God's help. We are thus exhorted to cast off the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light. We need to conduct ourselves becomingly as people living in the day: not in revelling and drunkenness; not in debauchery and licentiousness; not in quarrelling and jealousy. By putting on Christ and protected by goodness, we are defended against evil, and become ready to meet the

Dearest in Christ, "Advent" has a two-fold character: it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight. Christ tells us on this first Sunday of Advent to be watchful and ready. His coming is certain, but we do not know the day nor the hour. We are therefore encouraged to stay awake and be watchful, to avoid evil and sin, and constantly walk in the Light of Christ as we prepare to meet the Lord. It is time to turn away from the things we are ashamed of, and begin to walk again as children of the light. While we have time, we must wake up and stay awake, because we know neither the day nor the hour when our Master will come. He should not find us wanting. He should find us doing what He commanded us to be doing: loving God and one another; living holy and righteous lives. May He not come suddenly and find us sleeping or indif-

How do you intend to be watchful and ready in your preparation toward the Advent of Christ?

Dear students, the Son of Man is surely coming on a day and an hour we do not know. Be Watchful and Ready! 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 Season of Advent.

God bless and keep you safe.

PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah - 0249999616 Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221 Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin SJ-0277154777 CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655 CHAPLAINCY WEBSITE: www.knustcatholic.org

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Isa. 2:1-5

2nd Reading: Rom. 13:11-14 Gospel: Matt. 24:37-44



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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 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 to this number: message 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 make good use of the place. take note.

duced 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

Security Consciousness: Parishioners Chaplaincy Cloth on Sale at a Re- 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.

> **Declining Numbers of Catholic Popula**tion: The Chaplaincy is collating solutions to the declining numbers of the Catholic Population for the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council Meeting. This week happen to be the last week for the exercise. Individual parishioners, groups and societies can still send their contributions (Solutions) to the Chap-Office laincy WhatsApp 0596036520 or Chaplaincy email for onward transmission. Thanks for your co-operation.

FUN FACT

Gregor Mendel (1822-1882), considered the father of modern genetics, was an Augustinian monk. He carried out his experiments on pea plants in the monastery garden at St. Thomas' Abbey in Brno (present-day Czech Republic). He later became abbot of the monastery.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Liturgy Committee: Members of the Liturgy Committee will meet on Tuesday November 29, 2022 at the Msgr. Opoku-Agyemang Conference Hall at 5.30pm prompt. We entreat all members to be present at the meeting.

Harvest Committee: Next Sunday December 4, 2022 is the Adult Harvest at all Masses including the Anticipatory Mass on Saturday December, 3, 2022 at 7.00pm. Parishioners are encouraged to prepare towards this day to give willingly, for God loves a cheerful giver. We are again encouraged to pay our levies as well and are also supposed to bring the harvest envelopes we took home last Sunday.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): The C.C.R. - Local will be meeting today Sunday November 27, 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: 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 consideration. These needs and concerns may help the Committee to plan its programme of activities for the year and subsequent years.

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.

Movement of Christian Workers (MCW) Meeting: Members of the M.C.W. are meeting today Sunday November 27, 2022 immediately after the 10.00am Mass. All members are entreated to be present.

Marriage Banns

- 1. Dr. James Boafo, son of Mr. Augustine Anetan and Mad. Faustina Adobea, born at Tutukpene, used to reside at Maxima, Ayigya, now residing at Ayeduase New Site, Kumasi, and Ms. Priscilla Coffie (Eddie), daughter of Mr. Patrick Coffie and Mad. Esi Gyaaba, born in Cape Coast, residing at Kotei, Kumasi (3rd Announcement)
- 2. Mr. Lawrence Balangtaa (Tierubon), son of Mr. John Baptise Balangtaa and Mad. Emilia Mwaakparr, born at Daban, Kumasi, used to reside at Anwomaso, now residing at Tikrom, Kumasi and Ms. Juliana Puobe (Bangnituo), daughter of Mr. Ambrose Puobe and Mad. Mary Puobe, born at Kentinkrono, Kumasi, used to reside at Kotwi, Kumasi, now residing at Tikrom, Kumasi (3rd Announcement)
- **3. Mr. Abraham Affum (Jnr.),** son of Mr. Abraham Affum and Mad. Adwoa Fourdjour, born at Obuasi, residing at Takoradi and **Ms. Monica (Afua Animah) Frimpong**, daughter of Mr. James Frimpong and Mad. Theresah Akosua Serwaa, born at Feyiase, used to reside at Afful Nkwanta, Kumasi, now residing at Kotei-Deduako. **(2nd Announcement)**
- **4. Mr. Stephen Nana Miezah Elievi,** son of Mr. Thomas K.E. Mensah and Mad. Hannah Kwofie, born at Aboso, residing in Kumasi and **Ms.**

- Annabel Koranteng, daughter of Mr. Eric Koranteng and Mrs. Janet Koranteng, born at Jasikan, residing at Lapaz- Accra (2nd Announcement)
- **5. Dr. George Dakurah**, son of Mr. Bernard Dakurah and Mrs. Priscila Zigree Dakurah, born at Jirapa, residing at Emena, Kumasi, and **Ms. Magdalene Puuih-Yin Kakora**, daughter of Mr. Leopold K. Naab-Kakora and Mrs. Susana Naab-Kakora, born at U.S.T., Kumasi, residing at KNUST, Kumasi. (1st Announcement)
- **6. Mr. Andrew Sampene Buabeng,** son of Mr. Stephen Nkansa Buabeng and Mrs. Georgina Buabeng, born in Kumasi, residing at Adjiriganor and **Nana Akua Kyeraa Kyere,** daughter of Mr. Francis Kyere and Mad. Gifty Owusu-Sekyre, born at Akosombo, residing at Tema. **(1**st Announcement)
- 7. Mr. Stephen Morrison, son of Mr. Kwaku Morrison and Mad. Vivian Mends, born in Accra, resided at Darkuman, Accra, now residing at Anyaa, Accra, and Ms. Francisca Afirim, daughter of Dr. Henry Afirim and Mrs. Rita Boatemaa Afirim, born at Ayigya, Kumasi, resided at Ejisu, now residing at Dansoman, Accra. (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 Announcement & Invitation

<u>Funeral Announcement</u>: We announce the funeral of Mrs. Felicia Pelepele a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Union and Dagaaba Christian Mothers' Association. She has since been buried. |Final funeral rites on Saturday, December 3, 2022 at Emena School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm, Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday December 4, 2022 at Emena Roman Catholic Church at 8.00am, family gathering at Emena School park from 1.00pm to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

<u>Funeral Invitation</u>: Ms. Patience Achelisiwine is inviting parishioners to the funeral of her father Mr. Achelisiwine Asakana (a.k.a. Big Boy) as follows: funeral rites on Saturday December 3, 2022 at Kwadaso Beposo School park from 6.00am to 6.00pm, thanksgiving on Sunday December 4, 2022 at the Chaplaincy here, final funeral rites after the thanksgiving at Kwadaso Beposo School park from 11.30am to 6.00pm, family gathering on Monday December 5, 2022 at Kokode at 11.00am. Parishioners are to mourn with the bereaved family. **(Ms. Patience Achelisiwine to be introduced)**

Sincere Thanks

- 1. The children and family of the late Mrs. Beatrice Afriyie Andoh and the entire Oyoko Abusua of Jacobu, Kokofu and Obuasi wish to render their sincere gratitude for the prayers, support and monetary donations offered by the church community during the observance of her final funeral rites. They would ask that you continue to pray for her soul and the souls of all parishioners who have gone before her. God richly bless you.
- 2. The Animade and Asenkere Families of Adukrom Akuapem and The Abaidoo Family of KNUST express their heartfelt gratitude for your love, support, donations and prayers during the funeral rites of their son, husband, son in-law Dr. Yaw Oduro Fianko. God richly bless 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., Mamponteng – 2023 Entrance Examination: Our Lady of Grace Senior High School, a Private Catholic Senior High School located at Mamponteng (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.

<u>St. Hubert Seminary Senior High School</u> – 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 GHË60.00 per candidate to the Seminary latest by Monday November 14, 2022.

Requirements

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

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

<u>NB</u>: 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.

- <u>Job Opportunity</u>: **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.

<u>Seeking for Job</u>: 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.

<u>Devine Eye Care</u>: 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