

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 30/01/23 - 6:30PM

Heb. 11:32-40 / Ps. 31:20-24 / Mk. 5:1-20

TUESDAY - 31/01/23 6:30AM & 6:30PM

Heb. 12:1-4 / Ps. 22:26-28, 30-32 / Mk. 5:21-43 (John Bosco)

WEDNESDAY - 01/02/23 - 6:30AM

Heb. 12:4-7, 11-15 / Ps. 103:1-2, 13-14, 178-18a / Mk. 6:1-6

THURSDAY - 02/02/23 - 7:00PM

Mal. 3:1-4 / Ps. 24:7-10 / Heb. 2:14-18 / Lk. 2:22-40 (Presentation of the Lord)

FRIDAY 03/02/23 - 6:30AM

Heb. 13:1-8 / Ps. 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9 / Mk. 6:14-29 (Blaise)

SATURDAY - 04/02/23 - 7:00AM

Heb. 13:15-17, 20-21 / Ps. 23:1-6 / Mk. 6:30-34 (B. V. M.)

NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 05, 2023 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (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. 58:7-10

RES. PSALM - Ps. 112:4-9

2ND READING - 1 COR. 2:1-5

GOSPEL - MATT. 5:13-16

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Real Happiness In The Kingdom!

Dear People of God, today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year (A). The Liturgy of the Word calls us to celebrate our nothingness. We can celebrate our nothingness or poverty in the eyes of the world because God has looked on our humility and lowliness and has given us the wisdom, virtue and holiness of Christ. He alone is our boast. Thus, are blessed with the humility of the earth, and the poor in spirit. Such are the ones God has chosen to confound the strong of this world.

Today's Gospel is one of the most popular passages of the New Testament. It is the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount, which we read in Mt 5-7. The selection we read today is commonly referred to as the "Beatitudes" because the first word of the passage in Latin is "Beati", meaning the happy ones. They are a challenge at all times. In nine short statements, Jesus presents what, according to Him, will contribute to the happiness of His disciples for all ages. A different value system is proposed, one that depends more on God than on one's own programme and strength. St Matthew deliberately portrays Jesus as the new Moses, giving the people the New Commandments of the New Covenant from the mountaintop, just as Moses had done to an earlier generation. The first four commandments of the new law refer to the "little ones", the anawim or the "humble of the earth" referred to in the first reading by the prophet Zephaniah and pronounce them "blessed" in God's kingdom. They enjoy special favours from God because, in their lowliness and poverty, they observe God's law. The next set of four beatitudes highlights those whose actions help to usher in the kingdom.

Through these Beatitudes, Jesus widens our vision of the world. They are happy who realize their spiritual poverty and need for God, that is the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of God because they are open to the riches of God's Kingdom. They know they are not spiritually self-sufficient, that the soul does not nourish itself. They know their need of God. For those who mourn, who grieve over the depth of sin in their life and in the world, who are not deceived by the glitter of a superficial culture, shall be consoled and will know the joy and renewal of forgiveness. The meek, the humble, those who know the real truth about themselves, shall inherit the land, the spiritual possessions and the sense of place that come from the honest truth. Those who hunger and thirst for holiness are not pursuing a pipe dream because in Christ their yearning will be fulfilled. Those who show mercy, who do not just read about mercy and pray for mercy, but truly show mercy can be sure of God's mercy toward them. The clean of heart, those whose motives are clear and Christian, shall see God with the same clarity. The peacemaker, those who bring people together, are doing God's work and they will be called sons and daughters of God.

We live in a world captivated by bad news. Bad news travels fast. If all goes well, we have little to say. But when things go wrong, we have lots to talk about, to interpret, to speculate, to embellish details. Whole careers are built out of bad news and scandals. Against this background, Jesus

climbs the mountain, takes us with Him, and says that there are things going on that show God's Kingdom is at work. We should not just look at the arrogant, but at those who know their need of God; do not just look at the superficial, but at those who appreciate the reality of sin in our world; do not look at the pompous, but the humble; we should look at those who thirst for holiness, who show compassion; look at people motivated by the Gospel; look at the peacemakers among us, those who absorb hurt and insult and not just pass it on; these people are the hope of the world. Jesus wants us to look beyond the bad news to see that the energy, hope, and power of the Kingdom are also at work in our world often in places and in people we do not notice. These are those who have faith and trust in God and are doing God's will and work every day. Are you one of them?

The virtue of humility stands out in today's readings. The term appears several times in the first reading, exhorting the humble of the earth to seek the Lord and stay humble. Humility is the virtue of dependence on God. It is the longing of the heart to be satisfied by God. Without humility, no man can please God. Hence, the beatitudes all revolve around humility: anyone able to humble himself before God and His commandments will be pure, merciful, thirst for righteousness, and work for peace. The humble of the heart are already poor in spirit because they realise their need for God and His help. The heart is the starting point. Once our hearts are circumcised, it becomes easier to bend our wills to that of the Lord. St Augustine is believed to have advised on the importance of humility for Christian living: Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. Do you plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility. Let our prayer and wish for this week be: Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make our hearts like yours.

To all the celebrants of the month of January, we say Ayekoo! God richly bless you.

Our Dear Freshmen and Women, we hope you are settled by now on Campus and feel at home in KNUST. As Catholic Students, let us feel welcome and also enjoy all the activities rolled out to keep and mature our Catholic Faith. To remain Catholics on campus with a balanced Spiritual and Academic life, we have to make the Chaplaincy ours. In all humility, do not be a stranger to our Catholic God. May God protect and keep us safe throughout the Academic Year. 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 - 02499999616
Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221
Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrwin SJ - 0277154777
CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655
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READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: Zeph. 2:3; 3:12-13

2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 1:26-31

Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12



General Notices

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Sick/Aged/Homebound/

Infirm Parishioners: We are appealing to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and house addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirmed parishioners to enable our Catechists and Eucharistic Ministers visit and give them Communion.

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 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.

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.



FUN FACT

Louis Pasteur, famous chemist most famous for his works on microbiology and immunology was a devout Catholic.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Students' Catechism: Students Catechism starts this Saturday February 4, 2023 and every Saturday at the Committee Room 7 at Dr. R.P. Baffoe Complex at exactly 4.00pm. Students who want to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation should be part of the Class.

Local Council of Churches,

KNUST – Prayer Session: There will be a Prayer Session today Sunday January 29, 2023 at the Victory Baptist Church from 4.30pm to 6.30pm. Theme: **'Lord, Heal our Land'**. All parishioners are encouraged to be part of this program.

Charismatic Renewal (Local):

The C.C.R. – Local members are being reminded that today Sunday January 29, 2023, there is a

Zonal Prayer Meeting at Asokwa at 2.00pm prompt. A bus will leave the Chaplaincy at 1.30pm. Prayer Meeting continues next Sunday February 5, 2023 at the Chaplaincy. Please take note.

Health Committee: The Chaplaincy Health Committee informs parishioners of its existence and also entreat us to channel our 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.

Marriage Banns



Mr. Samuel Oppong Nti, son of Mr. Joseph Oppong and Mad. Rose Koduah, born in Accra, residing in Accra and **Ms. Evelyn Bio Asante**, daughter of Mr. Samuel Bio Asante and

Mad. Theresa Amoah, born at Esaase, Cape Coast, resided in Kumasi, now residing in Accra (**1st Announcement**)

Youth Corner

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

All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

Student Mass comes off every **Tuesday at 6:30pm**

The International Movement of Catholic Students, IMCS Pax Romana KNUST Local is launching its 65th Anniversary today Sunday January 29, 2023 at all Masses. They implore all parishioners to support in the fund raising towards the Anniversary

Funeral Invitation

1. Naa Julius P. Kuutiero II, a parishioner and member of Knights of St. John International announces the funeral of his wife Naapog (Mrs.) Mary Charity Kuutiero also a parishioner and member of Knights and Ladies of St. John International and Dagaaba Christian Mothers' Association as follows: filing past on Friday February 3, 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 5.00am, burial Mass at 6.30am, burial at her hometown Nandom. **NB:** All friends and sympathisers who wish to go to Nandom for the burial and funeral are advised to register with Mr. Anslem Kyeb of Our Lady's Choir for a place in the bus that departs here on Friday February 3, 2023. He could also be contacted on 0541665634.
2. We announce the death of Obaapanin Matilda Akosua Sarfowaa (a.k.a. Ante Mansa) a parishioner and member of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity and Christian Mothers' Association. The One-Week Observation of her death will be held on Wednesday February 1, 2023 at Bomso Ahenbronum from 6.00am to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Sincere Thanks

1. Dr & Mrs Nkum wish to express their sincere thanks to the Chaplains, Marriage and Family Life Committee, Knights and Ladies of Marshal, Pax Choir, Catechists, Mass Servers, Lectors, Ushers, Serra Club and parishioners for your prayers, presence and presents during their Holy Matrimony. God richly bless you
2. Mr. & Mrs. Oshimpoh are expressing their sincere appreciation to the Chaplain, Youth Choir, and parishioners for your prayers and support during their Holy Matrimony. They ask for God's special blessings for you all.

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 – 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.

2. Central University: (a) Central University, with campuses at Ayigya, Abossey Okai and Miotso is receiving admissions for its February Cohorts. School begins on **17th February 2023**. Admissions are on-going for both **Undergraduate and Postgraduate Programs**. Applications are available at the Kumasi Campus at Calvary Charismatic Centre (CCC) – Ayigya or online at www.central.edu.gh. For more information concerning programmes offered and admission requirements, kindly check the Chaplaincy Notice Board.

Job Opportunity: 1. 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.

2. A Hotel is looking for a Receptionist, a Cook, and a Bar Attendant for immediate employment. Interested parishioners should leave their applications at the Chaplaincy Office or call 0277712314 // 0206938638.

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: 1. A family is in need of a two-bedroom self-contained apartment around KNUST, i.e. Bomso, Ayeduase New Site, Boadi, Emena, or Kotei. You may please, call the family on 0243689445.

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

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Augen's Farm: Broilers available for sale – Augen's Farm, located at Ahinsan Estate, adjacent Good Shepherd School is selling live chickens, cutting and dressing. Parishioners should call on 0553708034 or 0232143509 for help.

Vegetables on Sale: 100% Organic (no chemical) Vegetables are available at the Sisters of St. Louis Self-Reliant Project for the needy. Enjoy healthy vegetables and support the needy.

Venue – St. Louis Senior High School, behind the School Chapel. Contact 0244784394

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
Junior High/Prim./Kindergarten-	20.00