

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY - 06/03/23 - 6:30AM**

Gen 12:1-4a / Ps 78:8-9,11,13 / Lk 6:36-38 (Independence Day)

**TUESDAY - 07/03/23 6:30AM & 6:30PM**

Isa 1:10,16-20 / Ps 49:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 / Mt 23:1-12 (Perpetua & Felicity)

**WEDNESDAY - 08/03/23 - 6:30AM**

Jer 18:18-20 / Ps 30:5-6,14-16 / Mt 20:17-28 (John of God)

**THURSDAY - 09/03/23 - 7:00PM**

Jer 17:5-10 / Ps 1:1-4, 6 / Lk 16:19-31 (Frances of Rome)

**FRIDAY 10/03/23 - 6:30AM**

Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28 / Ps 104:16-21 / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**SATURDAY - 11/03/23 - 7:00AM**

Mic 7:14-15, 18-20 / Ps 102:1-4, 9-12 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2023 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (CYCLE A)**

**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 - Ex. 17:3-7**

**RES. PSALM - Ps. 94:1-2, 6-9**

**2ND READING - ROM. 5:1-2, 5-8**

**GOSPEL - JN. 4: 5-42**

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**Call to the Mountain of the Christian Sabbath: Listen To Him!**

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent, Year (A). Abram, we are told, places trust in God's promise of making his name and descendants great on the earth. In Jesus's transfigured glory is revealed that life and immortality will rob death of its power. Our natural inclination is to stay where we are, make a tent, and settle comfortably. But God is continually urging us on to a land He will show us. We follow our Transfigured Lord in faith, putting our trust in Him, and bearing His hardships for the sake of the Good News He brought us.

Each year on the Second Sunday of Lent, the Church begins the Liturgy of the Word with the story of Abraham's call, a call to holiness in which countless generations of believers have recognized the contours of their own call. Chapter 12 of Genesis marks a turning point, not only in the literary structure of the Book of Genesis but in the whole story of salvation. After eleven chapters dealing with human sinfulness and rebellion, the patriarchal history begins here with a stark summary of God's initiative on Abraham's behalf: a call and a promise, a mission and a blessing are what God offers. He is called to live in covenanted relationship with the Lord with the faithful promise of the Lord that he will be given immortality in his progeny. For Abram to go as the Lord directed him is a sign of being tested and proven fidelity on his part. Living as the Lord directs us is the essence of holiness. The Psalm emphasizes that God's Word (promise) is trustworthy and that God protects us in our time of need. The heart of what Abraham and every believer discover about God is that when we put our hope in the Lord, God's kindness will always be upon us.

The Gospel takes us to an experience of the glory of Jesus that we would normally associate with His resurrection. Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John. They see Moses and Elijah speaking to Jesus. They would love to stay on the mountain forever, but a voice from heaven invites them to listen to Jesus and obey Him, the Beloved Son of God, as He goes towards the Cross. At this moment the Apostles do not understand what is happening nor what the heavenly voice is saying. It is only in the light of the resurrection that the full meaning of the event will become clear to them. In catching a glimpse of the divinity of Jesus revealed in splendour on the mountain, Jesus offers us the promised glory that awaits all who share His life in baptism. The Church invites us to gaze on our promised destiny so that the rigors of the Lenten Season will not lead to discouragement. Abraham's call led to trials while Paul's letter to Timothy exhorts Christians to bear our share of the hardship which the Gospel entails. At the end of Matthew's account of the transfiguration, Jesus speaks of His impending death. Though the path to holiness passes through the refining fires of suffering, we are asked not to be discouraged but are assured that God's promise is firm and will surely lead to fullness of glory with Christ.

Zeal for service to God requires whole-hearted self-giving to serve others and the sacrifice of letting go of self. Our full glory and full realization of ourselves can

only be achieved when we deprive ourselves of what gives us joy for the sake of God. It is seen in our readiness to leave our comfort zones - our homes, selfishness, pride, greed, laziness, and sinfulness, and move toward the beatific vision. We are pilgrims whose journey is up to the mountain of God and so we should not be too comfortable with the world and its attractions, but keep our gaze fixed on heaven, for there is the fullness of our blessings. In responding to the call to the mountain, holiness, and union with God, we have to live as God directs us (Abraham). Like Jesus' disciples, we equally need, on the seventh day, on the mountain of the Christian Sabbath, to see the bigger picture and our promised future. For on the Christian sabbath, we come close to the Lord, hear His truth, experience His Eucharist, join our prayers to His sacrifice, grasp the big picture, renew our discipleship, profess in the Creed the non-negotiable truths that bind us together, come to know something of God's light and convey that light to the dark world.

At Sunday Mass, we are called weekly to the mountain of prayer. We learn to leave behind the false gods as Abraham did; we come to know the grace of a new and eternal life to which St Paul refers; and receive something of Christ's power to guide us in difficult days as Jesus says, "have no fear". The Season of Lent, therefore, offers us a time of sincere reflection on our fears. It may be frightening in itself, but if we trust in God, He will give us the confidence to overcome them. Therefore, when we fall, when we stumble in fear, we should know for certain that Jesus is gently reaching out His hands and telling us once again, "Rise, and have no fear".

Dear Students, let us feel welcome and take part in all the activities rolled out to keep and nurture our Catholic Faith. To remain Catholics on campus with a balanced Spiritual and Academic life, we have to make the Chaplaincy ours. Lent is a favourable time to return and be reconciled with God by living as God directs us, and seeking union with Him on the mountain of Christian Sabbath, the Sunday Mass. Jesus does not need to be transfigured nor does he need Sunday: but we do. Let us, therefore, leave our false gods and fears behind, move from our comfort zones, listen to Christ, and embrace His power to guide us in life. We cannot afford to miss the Sunday Mass. God will surely reward your efforts in the mid-semester with success, so have no fears. We bless God for ITI-CCR National Conference and pray for journey mercies. May God bless, protect, and keep us safe throughout the Semester. 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.

Happy 6<sup>th</sup> March! Have a Fruitful and a Spirit-Filled 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 Baghrmwin SJ - 0277154777  
 Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako - 0501154065  
 CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655

**READINGS FOR THE DAY**

1st Reading: Gen. 12:1-4a  
 2nd Reading: 2 Tim. 1:8b-10  
 Gospel: Matt. 17:1-9



## General Notices

**Frafra/ Grushie Special Mass:** There will be a special Mass for all Frafra and Grushie Catholics on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Aketego. All members are entreated to take note.

**Benediction:** There will be Benediction today Sunday March 5, 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 7:00pm. All parishioners are encouraged to be present to pray.

**Infant Baptism:** there is going to be Infant Baptism on Saturday March 11, 2023 at 4:00pm. Parishioners who would want their children/wards to be baptised should please come for instructions on Friday March 10, 2023 at 5:00pm at the Chaplaincy with their children/wards' godparents.

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

**Stations of The Cross:** There will be Stations of the Cross on all Fridays of the Lenten period at 1.00pm and 7:00pm. Parishioners should please take note and avail themselves to journey with the Lord throughout the period of Lent.

**Lenten Prayer Session:** The Catholic Chaplaincy is organising an hour of Prayer Session during this year's Lenten season with the theme: *"The Word of God is the Source of our Life"*– (Jn. 1:1). This will start from Monday February 27, 2023 and will end on Wednesday March 15, 2023 at

the Klaver Hall of the Parish Centre from 5.00pm to 6.00pm each day. Parishioners/groups/societies are encouraged to be part of this spiritual exercise.

**Reception of the Marian Statue:** The Archdiocesan Marian Statue is at the Chaplaincy here. Groups, societies and individual parishioners are being entreated to come and pray and present their intentions before our Mother Mary.

**Catholic Priests Movie Premiere:** The Catholic Archdiocese of Kumasi Priests present a movie titled: *"Touch Not My Anointed"*; a Richmond Afrane Film. This will be tomorrow, Monday March 6, 2023 at the Chaplaincy here at 4.00pm and 7.00pm. **Rates:** (a) Primary School Pupils – GH₵10.00, (b) JHS & SHS Students – GH₵20.00, (c) Single – GH₵30.00, and (d) Couple – GH₵50.00. Parishioners are encouraged to be here to watch this movie.

**Public Holiday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2023:** Tomorrow, March 6, 2023 is a Public Holiday (Independence Day). Mass will be in the morning at 6.30am. Parishioners should please take note.

**Sick/Aged/Homebound/Infirmed 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 Pro-

ocols.

**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

The year 1978 is described as the "Year of Three Popes." Pope Paul VI died on August 6, 1978 after reigning for 15 years, Pope John Paul I took over on August 26th and reigned for only 33 days, dying on September 28th. Pope John Paul II was elected on October 16, 1978.

## Committees, Groups & Societies

**1. Charismatic Renewal (Local):** The C.C.R. – Local members are being reminded that today Sunday March 05, 2023, there will be prayer meeting at the usual meeting place. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

**Youth Games:** The Interim Youth Council is inviting all Youth to this year's Youth Games and Socializing which comes off tomorrow 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at the KNUST school park at 10am. Hope to see you there.

**Pax Corner: 1. Students' Catechism:** Students Catechism is on-going this 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, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation should be part of the Class.

**2. Mass for Students:** This and every Tuesday at 6.30pm.

**TwI Catechism:** It is announced to parishioners that TwI Catechism for all the Sacraments – Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation for year 2023 is on Tuesdays and Wednesdays i.e. from February 7, 2023 at the Chaplaincy. Time: 5.00pm to 6.00pm. Interested parishioners should please take note and register before it is too late.

**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.

**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](mailto:knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com).

**Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity:** 1. Parishioners who wish to join the Confraternity are warmly welcome so that we all pray together.

2. The Executives and members of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Confraternity welcome all members of the Students Wing of the Confraternity back to school. Fresh students of Pax are invited to join the Confraternity.

**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



### Youth Corner

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All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

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## I.T.I. – C.C.R. National Conference

The Chaplaincy will be hosting the ITI – CCR Annual National Conference starting from Friday March 3, 2023 to Sunday March 5, 2023. As such, the Anticipatory (Vigil) and the 10.00am Masses will be celebrated at the Bishop Sarpong Hall at the R.P. Baffoe Complex and under the sheds in front of the R.P. Baffoe Complex respectively. The Catholic Archbishop of Kumasi, Most Rev. Gabriel Justice Anokye, will preside over the 8.00am Thanksgiving Mass. Please, take note.

## Funeral Invitation

1. We announce the funeral of Leticia Kello as follows: lying-in-state on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Ayigya JHS Compound, at 4:00am, burial mass at the Chaplaincy at 9:00am, burial follows at the Ayigya cemetery, funeral rites at the Ayigya JHS Compound from 1:00pm – 6:00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 10:00am, final funeral rites follows at the Ayigya JHS Compound from 1:00pm – 6:00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
2. We announce the funeral of Mad. Dorothy Owusu also known as Maame Esi, as follows: lying-in-state on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Amampene Serwaa Jubilee School behind Ecowas from 4:00am to 8:00am, burial service at Believers Worship Centre from 8:00am to 10:00am, burial follows at the Ayigya cemetery, final funeral rites at the Amampene Serwaa Jubilee School grounds from 1:00pm – 6:00pm, thanksgiving service on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Believers Worship Centre from 8:00am to 12:00pm, family gathering at Amampene Serwaa Jubilee School grounds from 1:00pm – 6:00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
3. We announce the funeral of Obaapanyin Mary Martin as follows: : lying-in-state on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Ayeduase near SDA from 4:00am to 8:30 am, burial Mass at the Chaplaincy at 8:30am, final funeral rites at the KNUST Community Centre at 12:30pm, Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023, at the Chaplaincy at 10:00am. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
4. We announce the One Week Celebration of a parishioner Madam Mary Gyekye Konadu. It will be held on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Appiadu (Kumasi) Durbar Grounds from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
5. We announce the sudden death of Eunice Beyogleh, daughter of Santos Beyogleh, a parishioner and a member of St. Peter's Choir and Madam Rosila Beyogleh a parishioner and a member of the Dgaaba Christian Mother Association. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## Sincere Thanks

1. The family of Mad. Agnes Asantewaa Baarfi wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Youth Choir and parishioners for sympathising with them during their bereavement. They ask for God's blessings for you all.
2. Naa Julius Kuutiero II, children and the entire Kuutiero family wish to express their sincerest gratitude to the chaplain, Knights of St. John International and Ladies Auxiliary, Christian Mother Association, various groups and societies, friends and the entire Chaplaincy community for their support and well wishes during our period of bereavement. May the Lord bless us all and grant peaceful rest to the soul of our mother Naapog Mary Charity Kuutiero. 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.

**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.

**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. She is also looking for a lady who knows how to fold bread as well as one to sell the bread and again looking for a male to help in removing the bread from the oven. The workplace is at Oduom. Interested parishioners should call 0546437159 or 0241294858 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.

**Rooms for Rent:** 1. A Two-Bedroom apartment with bath, toilet, and kitchen at Nahiniso, closer to Kotei is ready for renting. Interested person should call 0547402059

**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.

**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