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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 31/07/23 - 6:30PM

Ex. 32:15-24, 30-34 / Ps. 125:1-6 /
Matt. 13:31-35 (Ignatius of Loyola)

**TUESDAY - 01/08/23 6:30AM &
6:30PM**

Ex. 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 / Ps.
103:6-13 / Matt. 13:36-43
(Alphonsus Liguori)

WEDNESDAY - 02/08/23 6:30AM

Ex. 34:29-35 / Ps. 99:5-7, 9 / Matt.
13:44-46 (Eusebius of Vercelli &
Peter Julian Eymard)

THURSDAY - 03/08/23 - 7:00PM

Ex. 40:16-21, 34-38 / Ps. 84:3-6,
8, 11 / MATT. 13:47-53

FRIDAY 04/08/23 - 6:30AM

Lev. 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-
37 / Ps. 81:3-6, 10-11 / Matt. 13:54-
58 John Mary Vianney)

SATURDAY - 05/08/23 - 7:00AM

Lev. 25:1, 8-17 / Ps. 67:2-3, 5, 7-
8 / Matt. 14:1-12 (The Dedication
of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major
in Rome)

**NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST
06, 2023 - 18TH 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 - DAN. 7:9-
10, 13-14**

**RES. PSALM - PS. 97:1-2, 5
-6, 9**

**2ND READING - 2 PT. 1:16-
19**

GOSPEL - MATT. 17:1-9

Treasure Beyond Price: No Price Too High For The Kingdom!

Dear People of God, we celebrate today, the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A). Today's Liturgy invites us to reflect on the nature of God's Reign proclaimed by Jesus and the treasure we have found. Each of the three parables contributes some insight into the nature of that Kingdom. The person of true wisdom, like Solomon who prayed for the wisdom to discern the true value of things, seeks the Reign of God and treasures it above all else. It is more precious than gold and silver. We scarcely need the wisdom of Solomon to realize that in finding the love of God and the Kingdom of God we have found a treasure beyond price. It is in the joy of this realization that we gather for Eucharistic Celebration. Thus, we become conformed to the Image of Christ, the Son.

The first reading from First Kings affirms the idea that discipleship requires a person to choose the one thing that is most important of all. Solomon is presented here as the epitome of the wise ruler. God's offer to grant whatever Solomon asks for is exceptional. Solomon's request is equally extraordinary: he eschews wealth, longevity, and power over his enemies and simply asks for what he needs to fulfil the mission entrusted to him by the Lord. In return, the Lord lavishly promises that Solomon will be unsurpassed in wisdom among all the rulers of the earth. God granted his prayer and gave him even more than he had bargained for because he had prayed in accordance with God's will. This indicates that God answers all prayers that are well-intentioned, prayers that come from a humble, simple, and contrite heart. That is why St Paul in today's second reading assures each one of us that in everything, God works for the good of those who love Him.

The first of Jesus' parables in the Gospel speaks of a treasure hidden and found and for which one is ready to sell everything. The one who finds the buried treasure hides it again, goes away, and sells everything he has to buy it. Such a person must put up (risk) everything he has in order to attain the treasure. The second tells of a fine pearl that somebody looks for and finds. Again, the person is ready to sell everything he has to possess it. In the parable of the treasure, the person finds the treasure without even looking for it. It is a gift found by chance. In that of the fine pearls, the person has been searching for them. Thus, the Kingdom of heaven: some experience it as a gift while others must search for it. In both instances, the awareness and possession of it bring joy and readiness to embrace it. It comes with a radical change and a new consciousness of its presence. It requires a complete break from the past and a willingness to start a new life expressed by the decision to sell all one possesses. People who discover God cannot be like the frog, which sits with one leg on dry land and the other in the water. They must invest their whole life in the cause of the Kingdom.

In the third and final parable, the Kingdom of Heaven is compared to a net thrown into the water that catches all sorts of fish. It is only after it is brought ashore that the good fish are separated from the bad which are discarded. The Kingdom of God is a treasure that is more valuable than any other one can think of. All efforts, sacrifices, and investments must be made to acquire it. One must discard any obstacle on the way that might act as a hindrance to the attainment of God's Kingdom. At the end of time, there will be the judgment that will qualify one either to enter into the eternal Kingdom or not. This is clearly portrayed by the

angels who will come out at the close of the age and separate the good from the bad, and each will be rewarded accordingly and appropriately. Being part of the Reign of God is not for the faint-hearted or fearful. It requires boldness and decisive action, a single-minded commitment of all one's resources. The one who finds the hidden treasure goes to sell everything she/he has to possess it. The merchant, looking for precious pearls, is ready to sell everything she/he has to possess it. What price are you willing to pay to be part of God's Kingdom?

God's kingdom can be experienced as a gift: a reality always there, but we may not know it until Jesus helps us realize that the Kingdom is near. It is actually in our midst though we are often unaware of God's presence in our lives. Something happens and the person, all of a sudden, becomes aware of God and welcomes Him into his/her heart with joy. Others search for the Kingdom, trying to give meaning to their lives. When they find it in the person and message of Jesus, overwhelmed with joy, they are ready to follow Him at all costs. In either case, whether we are unaware of the presence of the Kingdom or actually looking for it, it requires a change. The new life Jesus offers is so precious that everything has to be sacrificed to obtain and live it. It must be welcomed not just with the head, but with the whole heart. There is no room for compromise. Neither are we to feel discouraged by the presence of those who seem unfit for the Kingdom. The invitation of Jesus to be part of God's Reign is open to all, rich and poor, good and bad; in fact, all sorts of people are collected into the community of disciples. But at the end there will be a sorting out of those who are worthless and those who have been proven valuable.

St Paul speaks about the fate of Christians loved by God. He highlights the fact of God's love, a love that is in no way contradicted by the reality of human suffering. It is a love in which Christians have been known, chosen, called, and saved from the beginning. This makes us know too well that, in everything God works for our good as long as we love Him and embrace His Kingdom. May we all prove ourselves worthy and treasure God's Kingdom.

Sincere thanks to one and all for your generous contributions during the Launching of the 2023 Annual Harvest and Thanksgiving. God richly bless and replenish you.

Dear Students, we are invited to search for treasure. For Solomon, the greatest treasure was the wisdom to enable him to govern his people well. For us, the treasure is the Kingdom of God. Whoever discovers it is determined to change his/her whole life to have it and God directs everything for the good of such a person. May we have the courage to sell off everything to possess God's Kingdom! May God bless, protect, and keep us safe for the rest of 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.

Have a Fruitful and Blessed 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 Baghrwin SJ - 0277154777
Rev. Fr. Richard Antwi Boasiako - 0501154065
CHAPLAINCY MOMO PAY: 097655
CHAPLAINCY WEBSITE: www.knustcatholic.org

READINGS FOR THE DAY

1st Reading: 1 Kgs. 3:5, 7-12
2nd Reading: Rom. Rom. 8:28-30
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-52



General Notices

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Marriage Counselling Registration:

Parishioners who wish to solemnize their marriages are being informed of an upcoming marriage counselling session for couples. Interested couples are to register at the Chaplaincy Office.

Thanksgiving of 10th Anniversary in Priesthood:

Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah, the Chaplain, is thanking God for his 10th Anniversary of Priesthood today Sunday July 30, 2023 at the 10:00am Mass. All parishioners are invited to join him to thank God on this occasion.

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.

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”***

Chaplaincy Cloth on Sale:

The Chaplaincy Office has a large quantity of the Chaplaincy Cloth on sale. Please, visit the Chaplaincy Office for yours.

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.

Playing and learning how to play the Organ:

The Chaplain and the Liturgy Committee are calling on parishioners who know how to play the organ and those who want to learn how to play it to write their names at the Chaplaincy Office for the next steps to be taken

FUN FACT

Catholicism has been a moving force in the development of Western culture. It continues to be influential in religious issues, social institutions, art, education, medicine, science, music, philosophy, literature, and politics.

Committees, Groups & Societies

Representatives to 2023 Harvest Committee:

We are calling on all groups and societies to nominate their representatives and to encourage them to attend the 2023 Harvest Committee Meetings.

Pax Harvest:

The Harvest Committee encourages parishioners to support the special Pax Harvest next Sunday August 6, 2023 at all Masses.

Charismatic Renewal (Local):

1. Members are being reminded that today Sunday July 30, 2023, there will be Prayer Meeting at the Chaplaincy here at the usual meeting place. Members are encouraged to be present and on time.

2. Life in the Spirit Seminar (L.S.S.):

Groups and Societies who would like to organise Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) for their members should kindly contact P.E.T./Mr. Isaac Dwirah Jnr. on 0244090802.

Twil Catechism:

It is announced to parishioners that Twil Catechism for all the Sacraments – Baptism, 1st 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.

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 knustcatholic-chaplaincy@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, Twil 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



: **1. Mr. Gideon Aboagye Nuamah**, son of Mr. Sylvester Osei Nuamah and Mad. Georgina, born at Konongo, residing in Kumasi, and **Ms. Joan Sedinam Sabibah**, daughter of Mr. Michael Kwaku Sabibah and Mad. Valerie Abra Adjai, born at Ho, now residing in Kumasi. (**3rd Announcement – To be Introduced**)

2. Mr. Babalola Ayodele Samuel, son of Mr. Babalola Hezekiah Adewale and Mrs. Babalola Grace Omolabake, born at Abeokuta, Ogun State – Nigeria, and **Ms. Gbadewole Antoinette Opeyemi**, daughter of Mr. Gbadewole Alphonsus Adesola and Mrs. Gbadewole Clara Olufunmilayo, born at Ilaro, Ogun State, Nigeria. (**3rd Announcement**)

Youth Corner

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

All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

1. Mass for Students: This and every Tuesday at 6:30pm.

2. Pax Catechesis: The Pax Catechesis with Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine continues this Tuesday at 6.30pm. All students are kindly entreated to come and learn about our faith.

3. Pax Handing Over: The Executives of Pax Romana want to use this platform to inform and invite all parishioners to this year's Pax Romana Handing Over which comes off this Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 6.30pm.

4. Exams Prayer Night: All students are informed to anticipate this year's Exams Prayer Night which is slated for this Friday August 4, 2023 at 6.30pm. All students are informed to prepare for this event.

Funeral Announcement & Invitation

member of the Knights and Ladies of Marshall as follows: lying in state and filing past on Friday August 4, 2023 at the Chaplaincy, requiem Mass at the Chaplaincy at 7.00am, traditional mourning on Saturday at Jirapa in the UW/R, final funeral rites on Saturday August 26, 2023 at the KNUST Swimming Pool Park from 12noon to 6.00pm, thanksgiving Mass on Sunday August 27, 2023 at the Chaplaincy at 8.00am, family gathering at the KNUST Swimming Pool Park from 12noon to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Funeral Invitation: Mr. Ben. Godfrey Vuore, a parishioner and member of St. John International, announces the death of his father Mr Felix Vuore which occurred in Nandom-Domangye in the UW/R. The final funeral arrangement will be announced later.

Sincere Thanks

The Chaplain, Parish Council and the 2023 Harvest Committee are expressing their sincere thanks to all parishioners for your support during the 2023 Harvest Launch. May the good Lord continue bless 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.

Mist Blower Machines: A parishioner is selling Mist Blower Machines at affordable prices. It is used perfectly for plant spraying and fumigation. Interested parishioners should contact this number: 0558212546 (Maame Nyarko).

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 NABPTX 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.

Harvest 2023 Levies	GH¢
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

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.

2. A woman between the ages of forty (40) and fifty-five (55) is wanted to take care of an old woman at Ayigya. Interested person should contact 0558522551 or 0208115349

3. A parishioner is looking for a female to work as a house help. Please interested persons should call 0242979358 for help.

4. **Our Lady of Apostles School:** Our Lady of Apostles School, located at Ahensan, has openings for Creative Arts Teachers. Interested applicants may submit their application letters to the school or call 0579330000 for more information.

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.

House 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.

2. A Chamber and Hall self-contain apartment is ready for rent at Kotei Deduako-Apemso. Please, call on these numbers for help: 0558330643 / 0205090161 / 0201144825

3. A one bedroom and a small room (boys' quarters) at Fumesua, near Noda Hotel is ready for renting. Interested person should call 0277712314 for help.

4. A 3-bedroom including a master bedroom is ready for accommodation at Apirade, near the Church of Pentecost. Interested persons should please call 0240428478 for help.

5. A 3-bedroom flat with a borehole water facility is available for rent at Appiadu. Interested persons should contact 0243049675

Rent Accommodation: 1. A parishioner is in need of a two-bedroom apartment around Maxima, Ayigya, Bomso, Ayeduase, Kotei, or Deduako. Please call on 0504741374 to help.

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

Luxx Laundry Services: Luxx Laundry Services is equipped with modern machines such as washing machines and dryers that are efficient and provide excellent results. They offer their partners (Management, Staff and Students) the comfort of receiving their laundry the same day of collection, free pick-up and delivery service in and around KNUST. Location: Luxx Laundry Services is located at the Second Floor of the KNUST Jubilee Mall @ the Commercial Area and is open 24 hours. Contact them no: 0322067232 or 0501652923 for hassle-free laundry services. Absolute Quality every time.

A parishioner has some Pure Honey for sale. Contact: 0240776529.