

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, 13/05/2024 – 6:30PM

ACTS 19:1-8 / Ps. 68:2-7 / Jn., 16:29-33 (OUR LADY OF FATIMA)

TUESDAY, 14/08/2024 - 6:30AM

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 / Ps. 113:1-8 / Jn. 15:9-17 (St. Matthias)

WEDNESDAY, 15/05/2024- 6:30AM

ACTS 20:28-38 / Ps. 68:29-30, 33-36 / Jn. 17:11B-19 (ISIDORE THE FARMER)

THURSDAY, 16/05/2024 – 7:00PM

ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11 / Ps. 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 / Jn. 17:20-26

FRIDAY, 17/05/2024 - 6:30AM

ACTS 25:13B-21 / Ps. 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 / Jn. 21:15-19

SATURDAY, 18/05/2024 - 7:00AM

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / Ps. 10:5-6, 8 / Jn. 21:20-25 (John I, Pope)

Next Sunday May 19, 2024 – Pentecost Sunday of Easter (Cycle B)

7:00PM — VIGIL MASS

6.30AM – 1ST MASS

8.00AM – 2ND MASS

10.00AM – 3RD MASS

PLEASE ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD TAKE NOTE

1ST READING – GEN. 11:1-9

RESP. PSALM – Ps. 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30

2ND READING – ROM. 8:22-27

GOSPEL – JN. 7:37-39

Chosen, Loved and Prayed For: Abide in Love!

“Peace be with you”.

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter after the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord into Heaven. The mystery of the Ascension commemorates the Risen Lord as the King of Glory, Conqueror of sin and death, who ascended to the highest heavens after forty days of His resurrection, as the Angels gazed in wonder. The Lord Jesus, Mediator between God and man, Judge of the world and Lord of hosts, ascended not to distance Himself from our lowly state, but that we, His members, might be confident of following where He, our Head and Founder, has gone before us. As we profess in the Faith, “He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right of the Father”, a sure hope that we too, will be sharers in His Divinity after our earthly journey. Thus, Jesus goes up to where He came from to fulfil the Words of Scripture: “I go to my Father and your Father”. The feast of Ascension celebrates our hope and destiny and reminds all Christians that we have a Mediator with God the Father.

Today’s readings present Jesus Christ, the one Mediator and Redeemer of mankind, as the centre of the universe and history. As He returns to God, Jesus prays that the Father might keep us true to His Name, for He knows that none of us is lost, except the one who chooses to be lost. This shows Christ leading, loving and commissioning the Apostles and all believers. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we have the story of the Eleven Apostles choosing a successor to Judas. They pray together, cast lots and Matthias is selected. This is a method used at that time by the Holy Spirit to ensure that the original number “Twelve” would be preserved in time for Pentecost. The College of Apostles must be properly constituted. The symbolic number Twelve hearkens to the tribes of Israel, now reconstituted as the new Israel of God and led by a new patriarchal structure. The hierarchical nature of the community is evident in Peter’s leadership role and in the way that the Twelve are distinguished from the hundred and twenty who are gathered. This structure is not of human origin, as St Luke shows by allowing the Spirit to direct the choice of Judas’ successor through the casting of lots.

Peter articulates the role of the successor, underlining the apostolic ministry of witnessing to the Person of Jesus and His Resurrection. As a witness of Jesus’ Resurrection, Matthias is chosen to replace him “who was destined to be lost”. This is a Lukan way of asserting the apostolic function being passed on and authenticating the tradition upon which the Christian faith is based. Eventually, after Pentecost, the Apostles would choose certain men to be their successors. We call these men Bishops to continue the witness of the Apostles. In all this, we see the Church, the community Jesus founded, ordering her life, preparing for the future, and giving herself structure. The Holy Spirit is seen and will continue to be seen as the soul of the Church, the principle of her life and unity. God is living in us because He lets us share His Spirit. The Church is never static: her life is important and it is He, the Lord, who leads and guides His people through the decisions of the Church at the beginning and throughout her history till today.

The choice of Matthias invites us to recall our calling. We are chosen, selected and called, in our various capacities, positions and status, for service to God and humanity, to bear witness to Jesus Christ and His love for humanity. Hence, St John in the second reading reminds the early Church and us that love, and care for the good of others, should motivate everything we Christians do. The good of others should motivate our politics, discussion, correction, spending, buying, relationships, professions, work, studies, research and whatever we think

and do. This kind of love, shown in the care for the common/collective good, was and is still a distinctive feature of Christians today. Concern for others is not one more option, an add-on, or a luxury; it is how we follow Christ and abide in God’s love. Christ loves through us to make His love present as a real force in our community. Christ the Lord has loved us: in Him, we are all called to love one another. By loving we make Christ’s redeeming love present in our homes, workplaces, and communities.

The Gospel presents us with Christ’s Last Supper mission prayer for His disciples which fills our hearts with joy and peace. In this High Priestly Prayer, Jesus asks the Father to protect His disciples from the evil one, to “consecrate” them in truth, so that they might be faithful to the mission He entrusts to them. However weak, however poor, however feeble our faith, we are each included in this prayer. Jesus shows His deep love for us, His friends, by praying for us who are to live in the world, placing us in the hands of God. He prays to the Father that we all may be one: one in mind and heart, within the mystical body of Christ, and in love with God. He prays not that we seek escape from our culture and world, and flee into the desert, but that we be given victory. Victory comes when we are not captured by the assumptions of popular opinions or media, but we rise above them and examine them with a critical mind. Christ also prays that we will be sanctified by God’s truth which for us means not being diminished by the falsehood of secularism.

Christians must immerse themselves in God’s Truth in the Scriptures and Tradition. To be ignorant of these is to be ignorant of Christ. It is like going to a battle without armour. Christ prays that the Church would not be a fort but a launching pad in which we go into the world with Christ’s Truth. Christ’s prayer for us, His followers, is not to escape, but victory; not falsehood but Christ’s truth; not defence but to engage our world armed with love, grace, truth and God’s abiding presence. Christ communicates in full measure the love of God and prays that it remains radiant, pure and true, guiding our steps and moving us to love one another. May Christ’s love come to perfection in us. As we prepare for Pentecost with our Pentecost Novena, praying for the outpouring and renewal of the Holy Spirit, we ask ourselves, with the selection of Matthias, do we trust the life of the Church as the carrier of Christ’s will?

Beloved, we encourage ourselves to find time, as individuals and families, to pray the Holy Rosary reflectively and with devotion. May Mary accompany us in the month.

We welcome our dear students at the commencement of the Second Semester. While on Campus, in the Halls, Hostels and Homestels, stay safe and keep well, for you are dear to us! Remember you are prayed for, chosen and called by God in love and to love. Abid in God’s love. Pax!

Happy Mother’s Day to all Women. We love and appreciate you. May God answer all your prayers.

Please be reminded to stay well, healthy, and safe. Be not afraid to attend Mass. Remember to observe the safety protocols. 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 Quagrainé - 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: Act 1:15-17,20-26

2nd Reading: 1Jn 4:11-16

Gospel: Jn 17:11-19



General Notices

Sacrament of Reconciliation: There is Confession every Saturday at 6:00pm.

Marian Month - May: We have entered into the month of May being the Marian Month. Parishioners are encouraged to pray the Rosary as one family at home.

Ascension of the Lord: Thursday, May 9, 2024 is Ascension of the Lord. There will be two (2) Masses at 6:30am and 7:00pm. Parishioners should please take note.

Sick/Aged/Homebound/Infirm

Parishioners: We appeal to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and house addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirm 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. (0596036520)

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.

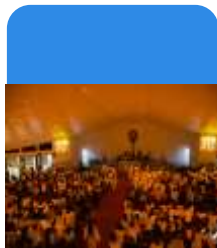
Chaplaincy Momo Pay: The Chaplaincy has acquired a Merchant Sim. Parishioners are advised to make payments of Harvest Levy, Chapel Fund Contributions, etc. through the Merchant ID: 097655 to enjoy less charge.

Sunday School Teacher: We invite parishioners and students who want to be Sunday School Teachers to see any of the Sunday School Teachers. Note that you have to be a baptized and confirmed Catholic.

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.

Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima (Monday, May 13, 2024): The Director of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Rev. Msgr. Anthony Mary Amponsah-Poku and the Shrine Committee, under the leadership of His Grace, Most Rev. Gabriel Justice Yaw Anokye, Archbishop of Kumasi are inviting parishioners to the celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. The celebration started on Friday, May 10, 2024, and will end tomorrow Monday, May 13, 2024 with the theme: *"Mary and The Holy Spirit"* This celebration with a lot of programs, is going on at Amakye Bare. All parishioners should please take note. You may also visit the notice board for your perusal.



EASTER
FACT

Committees, Groups & Societies

Marriage and Family Life Committee: Parishioners are to take note that the first session of the Marriage Counselling has ended. The second session is starting from tomorrow Monday, May 6, 2024 and the third session from September 9, 2024 all at 5.00pm. All would-be couples who have registered and those yet to register should kindly take note.

Submission of Reports: The Chaplaincy Council is entreating all Groups, Societies and Committees to submit their reports to the Chaplaincy Office by the close of Friday, May 17, 2024.

Women's Week Celebration: The Women's Week Celebration comes to an end today Sunday, May 12, 2024 which is "Mothers' Day", with a Thanksgiving at all Masses. Some of our women are going to give us Reflections at all Masses. Please, we are encouraging all women to bring Offertory Gifts.

Chaplaincy Vocation's Committee: The Chaplaincy Vocation's Committee is inviting parishioners to come meet, ask and discuss all issues on vocations with invited religious bodies and counsellors next Sunday, May 19, 2024 at the Chaplaincy from 8.00am to 2.00pm. "Come and See". (Jn. 1:39). Please, take note.

Knights and Ladies of Blessed Sacrament (KLBS – Mass Servers): The Knights and Ladies of Blessed Sacrament are inviting new members to join them. Meetings are held on Saturdays at the Chaplaincy at 3.00pm. interested parishioners are to take note.

Knights and Ladies of Marshall – New Members wanted: The Knights and Ladies of Marshall Council 78 KNUST are inviting new members to join. Inter-

ested persons should contact Prof. Jacob Agbenorhevi on 0208954223 or Dr. Joseph Bentil on 0241133879 for the membership application form.

Charismatic Renewal (Local): Charismatic Renewal (Local): 1. Members are being reminded of their usual meeting here at the chaplaincy

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.

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.

Twi Catechism: It is announced for the information of parishioners that Twi Catechism for all the Sacraments will be on every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Chaplaincy. Time: 5.00pm to 6.00pm. 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, Insta-

gram, LinkedIn and YouTube. You can also send us a mail on knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity:

Students/ Parishioners who wish to join the confraternity should please contact **Maa Joe on 0554023363** or interested members are invited to give their names to Mr. Lambert Nakpi (the Sacristan).

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.

Sunday School (Children's Liturgy): All parents who have their children/wards at the Sunday School (Children's Liturgy) are to call on the following numbers to be added to the Sunday School (Children's Liturgy) P.T.A. WhatsApp Page: 0202629253 – Kyere Yeboah Emmanuel, 0207609053 – Bernadette Agbavor or join through the following link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/!Kd2LJdxOSm8ppy6Eup43Q>

Pilgrimage! Pilgrimage!! Pilgrimage!!!: Pilgrimage to Jordan and Israel. Interested persons should contact Nana on 0266757231 for forms. Closing date is May 15, 2024.

Marriage Banns



1. **Dr. Patrick Sasu-Anim**, son of Mr. Peter Kofi Sasu-Ansong and Mad. Elizabeth Amoakoh, born at Nsawam, resided at KNUST Campus, now residing at Sokoban Wood Village and **Ms. Margaret Nkum**, daughter of Prof. Bernard C. Nkum and Mrs. Gifty Nkum, born in Kumasi, resided at KNUST Campus, now residing at Brofoyedu. **(3rd Announcement)**
2. **Mr. Samuel Kwabena Ofori Yeboah**, son of Mr. Anthony Alexis Adjei and Mrs. Agnes Adjei, born at Berekum, resided in Kumasi, now residing at Tantra Hills – Accra and **Ms. Fedelia Akua Serwaa Ankomah**, daughter of Mr. Peter Kwabena Ankomah and Mad. Amma Kyere Diabour, born at Berekum, now residing at Dome Pillar 2 – Accra. **(2nd Announcement)**

Youth Corner

Youth Mass comes off this and every **Thursday at 7pm**.
All Chaplaincy youth should endeavour to attend.

Pax Corner

Funeral Announcement

1. **Celebration of Life and one (1) Year Memorial Service:** The one (1) year celebration of life and Memorial of Architect Martin Addo Owusu comes off today Sunday, May 12, 2024 at the Chaplaincy at 8.00am. The family gathering will be at the KNUST Pool Side from 12noon to 6.00pm. The family wishes to invite all parishioners. **Dress Code: "Black and White"**.
2. We announce the death of Ing. Patrick Arthur Kwaku Awotwi, a parishioner and also the husband of Mrs. Juliana Awotwi, also a parishioner. The one-week observation of his death will be held as follows: Requiem Mass on Monday, May 13, 2024 at Christ Transfiguration Catholic Church, Oduom at 8.00am followed by family gathering at his residence behind the Catholic Church. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
3. The one-week observation of the death of Sir Knight Prof. Kwabena Boakye-Yiadom, a parishioner and also the husband of Mrs. Beatrice Boakye-Yiadom, also a parishioner, will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 as follows: the family will come for the morning Mass at 6.30am then the gathering will be at the KNUST Poolside from 12noon to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.
4. We announce the death of Rtd. Chief Inspector Edgar Jones Naveh, a parishioner and member of the Dagaba Union. The one-week celebration comes off next Sunday, May 19, 2024 at Ayigya Zongo School park from 10.00am to 6.00pm. Parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Sincere Thanks

The widow, children and family of Dr. Godfred Owusu-Boateng are expressing their sincere appreciation to the Chaplain, Parish Welfare Committee, Catechists, Mass Servers, Maria Goretti Youth Choir, and Parishioners for your prayers, support and sympathy during their bereavement. They ask for God's blessings for you.

1. Sale of Books – 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.

2. 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).

3. 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.

4. Natural Bouquet and Wreath for sale at St. Louis Senior High School. Please contact Sr. Evelyn Serwaa Adjei on 0244784394.

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

6. Banana Bread: Healthy Banana Bread with seeds and nuts available for sale and delivery as well. Contact – 0243750444.

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 at the Commercial Area and is open 24 hours. Contact them no: 0322067232 or 0501652923 for hassle-free laundry services. Absolute Quality every time.

Admission: 1. 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/

2. Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy: The FST Sisters of the Archdiocese of Kumasi would like to inform all Catholics (parishioners) that their school, Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy, located at Akokoamong in the Ejisu Municipality is enrolling pupils from the Creche to Basic 9 (JHS 3). They have Day and Boarding facilities and buses that convey the students in the morning to school and in the afternoon to their various destinations. Parishioners are to send their children to the school to be well trained and rooted in the Catholic faith. For further information, please contact (1) the Headmistress – Sr. Theresa Arthur on:0248149391, (2) the Assistant Head – Sir George on 0248505726, and (3) the Secretary – Madam Benedicta on 0247186619.

Job Opportunity: : **1.** A parishioner is looking for a female to work as a house help. Please interested persons should contact her on 0202027360 / 0208198270 for help.

2. A vocational school leaver is needed for employment with a Food Service Company. She must live around KNUST, be pleasant and ready to work for long hours. Interested persons must call 0244759985.

3. Louisville Drinking Water: Louisville Drinking Water is looking for a fulltime truck and tricycle drivers to work approximately 48 hours a week, should have at least two years driving experience, required to have a Class 'C' Driver's License, excellent driving skills and must be at least 18 years old. Interested persons should send their applications and CV to the Manager, Louisville Drinking Water, situated at St. Louis Senior High School, Oduom. They also need sales girls/woman. Contact: 0204020362.

4. Insurance Company: A leading General Insurance Company seeks to recruit interested persons as Insurance Sales and Marketing Executives to help drive the Company's sales. The Job location will be Kumasi.

Job Summary: The Insurance Sales and Marketing Executive will sell Vehicle, Home and other types of non-life insurance policies.

Education and Experience: Bachelor's Degree or HND.

Sales experience will be an added advantage.

Interested applicants should call 0559190821 / 0501392199.

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 may contact 0206744951 or 0595421091.

1. House for Rent: 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 3-bedroom flat with a borehole water facility is available for rent at Appiadu. Interested persons should contact 0243049675.

3. 3-bedroom apartment with two washrooms is available and ready for rent at Top High. Interested persons should call 0244028323.

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