MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 28/04/2025 - 6:30pm

Acts 4:23-31 / Ps. 2:1-I / Jn. 3:1-8 (Peter Chanel)

TUESDAY, 29/04/2025 -6:30AM/6:30PM

Acts 4:32-37 / Ps. 93:1-2. 5 / Jn. 7b-15 (Catherine of Siena)

WEDNESDAY, 30/04/2025 -6:30AM

Acts 5:17-26 / Ps. 34:2-9 / Jn. 3:16-21 (Pope Pius V)

THURSDAY, 01/05/2025 -7:00PM

GEN. 1:26 - 2:3 / Ps. 90:2-4, 12-14, 16 / MT. 13:54-58 (ST. Jo-SEPH THE WORKER)

FRIDAY, 02/05/2025 - 6:30AM

Acts 5:34-43 / Ps. 27:1, 4, 13-13 / Jn. 6:1-15 (Athanasius)

SATURDAY, 03/05/2025 -7:00AM

1 Cor. 15:1-8 / Ps. 18:2-5 / Jn. 14:6-14 (Philip and James)



NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025 -THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (CYCLE C): USUAL FOUR (4) MASSES

7:00pm — Anticipatory mass

6.30AM - 1ST MASS

8:00AM - 2ND MASS

10:00AM - 3RD MASS

PLEASE ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD TAKE NOTE

1st Reading – Acts 5:27-32, 40b-

RESP. PSALM - PS. PS. 30:2, 4-6, 11-13

2ND READING - REV. 5:11-14

GOSPEL - JN. 21:1-19

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Witness to the Risen Lord through Faith

Dear People of God, we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter, Year Today, we are reminded that God's Mercy is the antidote to sin, fear, C, known as Divine Mercy Sunday. The readings recall that as and death. His nature is mercy which cripples every fear and breeds doubting Thomas believed because he saw the Risen Lord, so too peace; hence Jesus' first word to His confined disciples is "Peace be were many brought to faith through the various signs and wonders with you". They were battling within themselves, so Jesus breathed wrought by the Apostles. They proclaimed as Lord "the stone reject- peace into them. He is the Prince of Peace, and only in Him is peace ed by the builders", the "First and the Last of the One who lives". We worship Christ, who was dead and is now alive forever and ever. He is present in our midst, bringing healing and peace. As we conclude our novena to the Divine Mercy, prayers for Plenary Indul- ly, the sight of Jesus in visions may or may not save us. Faith and gence are offered for the entire world.

Following an ancient tradition, the Church regards the eight days from the Paschal Feast to the Second Sunday of Easter as a single unit of celebration (an Octave). On the Second Sunday of Easter, the Church sings again Psalm 118, the psalm for Easter Day, which proclaims: "This is the day the Lord has made". The preface for Easter Day is prayed as: "We praise you with greater joy than ever on this Easter Day", even though that day, by secular reckoning, is already a week behind us. All the prayers of the liturgy and the tone of the celebrations are full of joy as the Church comes to the close of the octave of its greatest feast.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles summarises the early Christian community's growth and success in exercising its gifts, particularly gifts of healing, and the faith with which the Apostles are met as they go about their mission. It is a clear statement that something can be seen and verified, the Life of the Christian community, born of faith in the Risen Lord. The communities of people leading a completely new kind of life testify that Jesus is alive and that He sent His Spirit into the world. United in one heart, as a family, the members take an interest in, and are loyal to each other and feel responsible for all that happens to each other. The apocalyptic vision in the second reading from the Book of Revelation centres on a vision of "One like the Son of Man" (Christ) who is revealed to be the Lord of all. In a phrase reminiscent of the Service of the Light at the opening of the Easter Vigil, this "one who lives" is identified as: "the First and the Last". Christians, followers of the Risen Lord, need not fear because Christ is the Living One who died and is alive forevermore, and possesses the keys of Death and Hades. We are reminded to place the Risen Lord at the centre of our community living.

The Gospel is a story of locked doors, scars, mission, Sacrament of Penance, forgiveness, doubting Thomas, and faith. The Risen Lord appears to His followers on the evening of the Resurrection, when they are gathered behind locked doors, afraid of those who killed Jesus. Jesus appears among them and gives them His peace. He speaks a greeting of "Peace" and commissions them at once to continue His saving work: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you". As God breathed on the waters at creation, Jesus now breathes on the disciples and gives them the Spirit, with an immediate creative effect. In giving the Spirit, Jesus imparts a particular power for Reconciliation: "If you forgive sins, they are forgiven; if you hold them bound, they are held bound". Just as the earthly Jesus exercised the power to forgive sins, so His followers are given that power in the Spirit. Thomas, one of the disciples, was not with them, and he God bless and keep you safe. would not believe that Jesus had really risen until he was given proof by touching Jesus. However, at the end, he not only touches Jesus, Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Pray for Us. but confesses Him as "My Lord and my God". The real believer is the one who has not seen but yet believes in Jesus as Lord and God.

and freedom guaranteed. Our friend Thomas seeks to see the scars of the wounds incurred by Jesus' crucifixion in order to believe. Jesus comes to show him and all of us that He is risen indeed. Interestingtrust in Him always do. Faith is not just belief about Jesus but trust in Him as well. Hence Christ pronounced, "Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed".

For many people, this Sunday is a time to go back to their daily routine. The splendour and emotion of Easter Sunday are past, and it is now business as usual. But the Easter Season invites us to widen the scope of our faith. It invites us to see how the Risen Lord uses the rituals and elements of the Sacraments, the written and preached Word, and the life of the Church to speak to us, to embrace us, to challenge us, and to save us. To be able to see Christ in all these is to open our eyes to the thrilling, dynamic, invisible but real presence of the Risen Lord with us today. We are the generations of believers who have not seen the Risen Lord but, relving on the word of the original witnesses to the resurrection, call Jesus: "My Lord and my God". Our faith is not founded on scientific proof, but on listening daily to the Word of the Risen One, who is present among us gathered together as a community and speaks to us.

The Divine Mercy Sunday celebration is a beautiful reminder of God's boundless love. Jesus appears to His frightened disciples, offering peace and mercy, even when they doubted. His wounds symbolise His love overcoming our doubts and fears. Like Thomas, we often doubt and need tangible signs of God's love. But Jesus gently invites us to believe without seeing, to have faith in His endless mercy. He understands our struggles and patiently waits for us. Divine Mercy Sunday assures us that God forgives and loves us, no matter our past. Jesus' words, "Peace be with you", echo in our hearts, calming our anxieties. We are all invited to open our hearts to this incredible mercy and embrace God's love, seeking forgiveness and sharing it with others. For in His mercy, we find peace and joy. Jesus, I trust in you!

May our Dear Pope Francis rest in God. Amen.

Dear Students, congratulations on the successful completion of the end-of-semester examination. May God crown all your efforts with success, as He leads the way. We pray journey mercies upon you as you go home and God's protection upon you. Hold on to your faith, stay connected to God by participating in your respective parish activities and personal prayer life. Do take good care of yourselves! May the Victory of the Risen Lord sustain us. Pax!

Please remember to stay well, healthy, and safe. Do not be afraid to attend Mass. Observe the safety protocols. Your life is dear to us.

Have a Blessed and Fruitful Week.

READINGS FOR THE DAY 1st Reading: Acts 5:12-16 2nd Reading: Rev. 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Gospel: Jn. 20:19-31



PASTORAL TEAM

Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Dr. Anthony F. Naah - 0249999616 Assisting Priests: Rev. Fr. Dr. Victor Quagraine - 0207024221 Rev. Fr. Timothy Baghrmwin SJ-0277154777

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Things don't always qo as we hope and pray for but that's fine. Never stop trusting Him to make a way, you are closer than you feel.

This isn't goodbye.. ...just see your later

General Notices

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

Notice of Sunday Announcements: All announcements to be made at Mass on Sunday should reach the Chaplaincy Office by noon on Friday. This is to aid in the proper dissemination of information. Parishioners are to take note kindly.

Invitation to the Perpetual Vows Ceremony (Thanksgiving Mass): Sr. Jacueline Agyili will be at the 10.00am Mass next Sunday, May 4, 2025 for her thanksgiving. All parishioners are to take note.

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Scratching/Inscribing on the Church Pews: The Chaplain and members of the Liturgy Committee wish to inform parishioners, (especially children) who are fond of scratching or inscribing on the Pews that they should please put stop to that habit. They are asking parents/wards to educate their children/wards to stop doing that, because the Pews are very costly. Littering the Chapel: Parishioners (both children and adults) are been entreated to stop littering the Chapal. The Chapel is a sacred place where we worship and so we should keep the place clean always. Please, let us all take note of this.

Children to attend Sunday School: The Chaplaincy is encouraging parents/guardians to see that their children/wards attend Sunday School instead of roaming about.

Sick/Aged/Homebound/Infirmed Parishioners: We appeal to parishioners to furnish the Chaplaincy Office with the names and home addresses of sick, aged, homebound, and infirmed parishioners to enable our Catechists and Eucharistic Ministers to visit and give them Communion. This includes the sick non-communicants.

Dues (Membership) Cards and Registration: All parishioners who do not have Dues Cards and all those who have not registered should see the Catechists after Mass or come to the Chaplaincy Office Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4 pm to register. Please take note.

Chaplaincy News Bulletin: Please sign up to receive the News Bulletin from the Chaplaincy. **(0596036520)**.

Chaplaincy Momo Pay: 1. The Chaplaincy

has acquired a Merchant Sim. Parishioners are advised to make payments and contributions through the Merchant ID: 097655 to enjoy fewer charges.

2. The Chaplaincy Office is pleading with parishioners who make payments and contributions through the Chaplaincy Momo Pay to please state the purpose of the payment made as the 'reference' but not your names. This will help the office a lot. Please take note.

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 on Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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.

e Committees, Groups & Societies

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Harvest Committee - 2024: Payment of 2024 Harvest Levies: All parishioners who have not yet paid their Harvest Levies are encouraged to do so as below:

Harvest 2024 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

Liturgy Committee: Members of the Liturgy Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at the Msgr. Opoku-Agyeman Conference Hall at 5.30pm. All representatives of Liturgical Groups are expected to be at the meeting and on time.

St. Vincent de Paul: St. Vincent de Paul, a society that caters for the poor and needy in our community, has placed wooden boxes at the entrance of the church to solicit for funds for their work. Kindly put your donation in the boxes. God richly bless you.

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

Charismatic Renewal (Local): Members are being informed that there is City Prayer Meeting at the St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica today Sunday, April 27, 2025 at 2.00pm. In view of that, there wouldn't be Prayer Meeting at the Chaplaincy here. Please take note.

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 entreats 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. The Committee needs new members with a medical background.

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 an email on <u>knustcatholicchaplaincy@gmail.com</u>.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Rosary Confraternity: Parishioners and Freshers (Students) who wish to join the Confraternity should please contact Maa Joe on 0554023363 or give their names to Mr. Lambert Nakpi (the

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 5.30 pm respectively. New and old members are warmly welcomed.

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/ IKd2LJdxOSm8ppy6Eup43Q.

Marriage Banns

1. Mr. Emil Awuah, son of Mr. Francis Awuah and Mad. Janet Bannin, born at Akim Achiase, used to reside at Ayeduase, now residing at Kotei-Nahinso and Ms. Loretta Korsah, daughter of Mr. Martin Kwame Nsiah and Mad. Veronica Owusuaa, born at Techiman, residing at Kotei Nahinso (2nd Announcement)

2. Prof. Jacob Kwaku Agbenorhevi, son of Mr. Peter Kofi Agbenorhevi and Mad. Josephine Korkor Senyeabor, born in Accra, residing at Appeadu and Ms. Mizpah Ama Dziedzorm Rockson, daughter of Mr. Albert Asase and Mad. Kate Akosua Tam, born at Kpando, resided at Awoshie/Apemso, now residing at Appeadu. (1st Announcement)

Funeral Invitation

Mad. Francisca Faabeluon, a parishioner and member of the Dagaaba Union/Christian Mothers' Association announces the death of her husband Mr. Bernard Somkang (a.k.a. Bazie Kofi). The one-week observation of his death will be held next Sunday, May 4, 2025 at the Dagaaba Chief's House – Ayeduase from 6.00am to 6.00pm. All parishioners are invited to mourn with the bereaved family.

Formation Programs

1. <u>Twi Catechism</u>: The Twi Catechism Class takes place on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm and Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. Parishioners who would want to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation should take note and be part of the classes.

2. Life in the Spirit Seminar (LS.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.

Advertisement

1. <u>A Plot of Land for Sale</u>: A plot of Land at Asotwe, after Akyawkrom is for sale. Any interested person/persons should contact Emma on 0501431363.

2. Vegetables on Sale: 100% Organic (no chemicals) 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 Sr. Joyce Eyiah, SSL, on 0204020362/ 0244804779.

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

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

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

6. Power Energy Bulbs for Sale: For your durable, bright and strong 7watts, 9watts, 12watts, 15watts, 20watts, and 30watts energy bulbs, please call 0534637114.

7. <u>Lifestyle Management Services</u>: Lifestyle Management Services offers help to families, companies and professionals to manage their personal and professional lives more effectively. Interested parishioners should contact: WhatsApp & Call: 027-2608401 – Maryjane for the following:

Travel Consultancy

Event Organisation

Restaurant Reservations

Real Estate in Dubai (Investing) and

Corporate Travels & Dinners for Companies

8. 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 on the Second Floor of the KNUST Jubilee Mall at the Commercial Area and is open 24 hours. Contact them on 0322067232 or 0501652923 for hassle-free laundry services. Absolute Quality every time.

9. Furniture Works: For all kinds of furniture, please contact Michael Kusi Appiah (a.k.a. Baawezzy) on 0594245996 at Oforikrom, opposite KMA Office.

10. <u>Plumbing Works</u>: For your neat and affordable Plumbing Works, please contact Delali, who is an expert in filling, poly tank cleaning, wall paper installation, etc. on 0558487106 or 0247500351 at Tech/Ayigya.

Admissions

1. <u>Catholic Technical Institute (CTI)</u>: – 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 (I) Welding & Metal Fabrication. Call these numbers for help: 0209342299/ 0322070702 / 0245024615 / 0244051857.

2. <u>Blessed Trinity Leadership Academy</u>: 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.

3. <u>FST Jubilee Creche (Martyrs of Uganda School, Santasi Kumasi)</u>: FST Jubilee Creche, Martyrs of Uganda, is an Educational Institution under the Catholic Archdiocese of Kumasi and is led by the FST Sisters. The school is located at Odeneho-Kwadaso and shares boarders with Opoku-Ware S.H.S. They operate with pupils between one (1) and six (6) years from Creche to Kindergarten two (2). They promote quality education built on Catholic Teachings and are known for their discipline and academic excellence in a loving and caring environment. Parishioners are being informed that the 2024/2025 Academic Year Admission is in progress, and the admission forms goes for Sixty Ghana Cedis (GH¢60.00). You are encouraged to bring your children/wards to access the holistic formation they deserve.

Sales of Books & Religious Items

1. <u>Inspirational Quotes for Living</u>: Are you downhearted, 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. <u>Meye Catholic Asoreba</u>: Meye Catholic Asoreba is a Catholic Group that proclaims and promotes the Catholic Faith through prayers, songs and Catechists. Please follow them on their social media handles @meyecatholicasoreba on YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, and Facebook. There are pen drives copies of all the Rosary Prayers in Twi, which goes for cool Fifty Ghana Cedis (GH¢50.00). You can contact Francis on 0555892348 for your copy.

Job Opportunities

1. <u>Driver Wanted - St. Gregory</u>: St. Gregory the Great Provincial Major Seminary at Parkoso is seeking a reliable and experienced Driver who is a faithful Catholic and can drive a Pick-up and a Bus to work with. Requirements: Valid driver's license, number of years of driving experience, clean driving record, and ability to lift to weight. Interested persons should please submit their applications, including your resume and a cover letter to the Acting Rector, St. Gregory the Great Provincial Major Seminary, Parkoso. Contact – 0232039881 / 0505093173.

2. <u>Groundsman (Labourer/Caretaker) needed at Good Shepherd</u>: Good Shepherd Roman Catholic Preparatory School, located at Ahinsan Estate, needs a Groundsman (Labourer)/Caretaker. Interested persons should contact the school on 0244071855.

3. <u>Insurance Company</u>: 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.

4. <u>Caterer Needed</u>: A Vocational school leaver is needed for employment with a Food Service Company. She must live around KNUST, be pleasant and be ready to work for long hours. Interested persons must call 0244759985.

5. House Help: A parishioner is looking for a female house help between the ages of 16 to 26. Interested persons should call 0207070019.

6. A parishioner needs a house help (female) between the ages of 18 and 23. Interested person should call on 0557902919.

7. Housekeeper Wanted: A parishioner needs a housekeeper to work in Accra. Preferred female, at least 18 years, SHS or JHS Graduates. Call 0208168663.

Seeking for Job

1. A parishioner (a graduate) from Kumasi Technical University is looking for an Administrative or a secretarial job. Please call on 0244223777 / 0557806659 for any vacant position.

2. 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.

Accommodation

House to buy: A Male Religious Congregation in the Catholic Church is searching for accommodation/house to buy for the community around KNUST and beyond. Preferably between KNUST and Santasi. Persons who can be of help should please call on this number 0596036520.

House for Rent:

A two-bedroom unit is available for rent at Fumesua, near Noda Hotel. Interested person should call this number 0277712314 or the Chaplaincy Office line for help.

Rent Accommodation:

1. A parishioner needs a two-bedroom apartment around Maxima, Ayigya, Bomso, Ayeduase, Kotei, or Deduako. Please call 0504741374 to help.

2. A parishioners needs a single room self-contained accommodation around Ayeduase, Kotei or any area close to KNUST. Please call on 0257891003 to help.