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Afelyia Pa!

Cheers to the New Year and another chance for us to be of service to you. As we helped you reach your goals in the past year, we too traversed several milestones. This New Year let us raise a toast to those wonderful journeys, and be hopeful about many more to come.

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A
 He called them and leaving everything they followed him!

Weekly Bulletin

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CHRIST THE KING CHURCH THEME FOR THE YEAR
"I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME"(Phil 4:13)

<p>OFFICE HOURS Weekdays 8:00am-5:00pm</p> <p>Saturdays 8:00am-12:00pm</p> <p>Sundays 8:00am-2:00pm</p>	<p>MASS SCHEDULE CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAYS 6:30am, 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm Youth Mass : 8.00am</p> <p>WEEKDAY SCHEDULE Daily: 6.30am & 12:15pm; Tues: 6.30pm</p> <p>HOLY HOUR & MASS Thursday preceding the 1st Friday & 1st Friday 6.00pm</p> <p>CONFESSION Saturdays : 7.00am (Main Church) & 5.00pm (Adoration Chapel)</p>	<p>DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH Sunday: 7:00am Daily Mass: Mon - Sat : 6.30am</p> <p>ADORATION/EXPOSITION: Every 1st Sunday of the month - 5.45pm - 7.15pm Every 3rd Fridays of the month (Half-Night) - 7.30pm - 10.00pm</p> <p>CONFESSION Saturdays : After Morning Mass</p>
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NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL(2017-2018) INAUGURATED

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

COMMENTARY ON READINGS

First Reading: The Prophet predicts future glory for an oppressed people for whom light will overcome darkness; joy, replace sorrow and freedom, overpower oppression. (Isaiah 8:23-9:3)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 40)

“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?
The LORD is my life's refuge;
of whom should I be afraid? **Res**

One thing I ask of the LORD;
this I seek:

To dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD
and contemplate his temple. **Res**

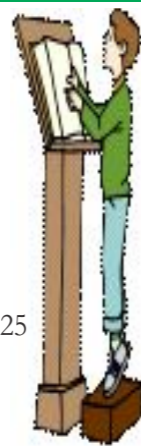
I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD
in the land of the living.
Wait for the LORD with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD. **Res**

Second Reading: Even among the first Christians, there were factions and divisions. Paul heals their division and urges them to unite in Christ. (Corinthians 1:10-13, 17)

Gospel: Isaiah's prophecy, which we have just heard in the first reading, is fulfilled in Jesus who calls Peter, Andrew and the sons of Zebedee, James and John, to become His disciples. (Matthew 4:12-23)

WEEKDAY READINGS & MEMORIALS 3RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Monday	St. Emerentiana Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday	St. Francis de Sales Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday	Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117/ Mk 16:15-18
Thursday	Ss. Timothy & Titus 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96/Mk 4:21-25
Friday	St. Angela Merici Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday	St. Thomas Aquinas Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1/Mk 4:35-41



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A
Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

ROSTER FOR BIDDING PRAYERS/2ND COLLECTIONS

BIDDING PRAYERS		
January	22	Lectors
	29	Ushers
SECOND COLLECTIONS		
January	22	Poor & Needy
	29	Vitus Dery Endowment Fund

MARRIAGE CORNER

PUBLICATION OF MARRIAGE BANNS

1. Pious Yao Toboh & Margaret Mary E.A Hanyabui (3)
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MARRIAGE COUNSELLING REGISTRATION

All newly registered marriage Counselees for (January - June 2017) session will meet with the Marriage Counselors today Sunday, 22nd January, 2017 after the 10.30am Mass at the Conference room of the Parish office. Interested Parishioners should register at the Parish Office.

MARIAN CHOIR

The Marian Choir with their Patrons will have their End of Year get together today after 10.30am Mass at the Parish hall.

CHRIST THE KING INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL K.G ADMISSION

Forms for KG admission at Christ the King School can be collected on Friday, 27th January, 2017 and Friday, 3rd February, 2017 at the school office between 8.00am and 12noon.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The death has been reported of **Joshua M.K. Kpakpah**, a parishioner. The sad event occurred on 1st December, 2016. Funeral arrangements is as follows:

Thu. 16th February, 2017 - Vigil Service at his residence, 15 Templesi Lane, Airport Residential Area from 6.00pm - 10.00pm

Fri. 17th February, 2017 - Pre-Burial Service & Burial Mass at Christ the King Catholic Church at 7.00am.

Sat. 18th February, 2017 - Burial Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Klave, Volta Region at 9.00am.

Interment at private cemetery, Klave, Volta Region. Funeral rights follow immediately at Klave School Park.

Sun. 19th February, 2017 - Thanksgiving and Memorial Mass at Christ the King Catholic Church, Accra at 10.30am. Final funeral rite and Family Gathering at Kpakpah's residence, 15 Templesi Lane, Airport Residential Area.

MEETINGS

MEETINGS TODAY AFTER 8.00AM MASS

- *Christian Mothers' Association
- *Doctors, Paramedics & Lawyers @ St. Damian's room.

AREA GROUP MEETINGS TODAY

*East Legon, Haatso, Adenta, Madina Area, at Mrs. Teresa Kangbere's residence at 4.30pm prompt for the Annual Bring and Share. Come in your numbers. Call 0275760417 for details. Call : 0242175221

MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 2017

*Spintex Bible Sharing Group, at No. 12 Regina Crescent Golden Gate, Regimanuel Estate at 4.00pm. Call : 0242175221 for further information.

*Other Areas - Kwashiman, Dansoman, Odorkor Darkuman, Tesano, Santa Maria, at Mrs. Elizabeth Duah's at Dansoman at 3.00pm. Call : 0244275089.

P.P.C ORIENTATION SEMINAR

ORIENTATION SEMINAR FOR ALL PPC MEMBERS AT 9.00AM AT CIBT ON SATURDAY, 28TH JANUARY, 2017.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

The Christian Unity Week comes off on Wed 25th January & Wed. 1st February, 2017.

CTK Parishioners will join the Accra Ridge Church for a service on Wed 25th January @ 6.30pm

Accra Ridge Church members will join CTK for Service on 1st February, 2017. @ 6.30pm

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR - CCR

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal invites all parishioners to join the Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) at the Holy Spirit Cathedral starting on Sunday, 29th January, 2017 and every Sunday for 9 -Weeks . Interested parishioners should call Ben on 0249494414 to register.

TODAY'S REFLECTION

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Today's Gospel tells us a little about the background of these fishermen, their work, and their families. In today's Gospel, we are simply told that James and John left their father, Zebedee, in the boat and followed Jesus.

Some details about the families of these first followers of Jesus are found later in Matthew's Gospel, however. In Matthew 8:14-15 for example, Jesus goes to the home of Peter and heals his mother-in-law of a fever. Matthew 20:20-28 relates how the mother of the sons of Zebedee (James and John) approached Jesus with the request that her sons be given places of honor in Jesus' kingdom. These brief references suggest that the first disciples' separation from their families may not have been as complete as the verses in today's Gospel might lead us to believe. Matthew points out the separation because he wants to show that Christian discipleship can require a change in our lives and even our family relationships.

DIVINE MERCY CHURCH

ROSTER FOR BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY

January 2017	15	Lectors
	22	St. Theresa of the Child Jesus
	29	St. Vincent de Paul



SECOND COLLECTIONS

January	15	Day Borns
	29	Poor & Needy

VACANCY VACANCY VACANCY!!!

Divine Mercy Catholic Church at Okponglo in East Legon is looking for an experienced Resident Organist. Interested persons should kindly contact Patricia Aikins on 024 432 9498 by 31 January 2017.

NEW DMCC PPC EXECUTIVES (2017-2018)

NAMES	POSITIONS
Mr. Stanley Okoh	Chairman
Mr. Kobla Agbeli Wotortsi	Vice Chairman
Ms. Eugenia Grace Amagyei	Secretary
Mr. Gideon Obeng - Mensah II	Asst. Secretary
Mr. Philip Asante	Exec. Member
Ms. Patricia Aba Mensa	Exec. Member

Perhaps the message for us today is to balance the radical call to be a follower of Jesus with the challenge to be "fishers of men" even within our own families. Creating this balance may require that we change some of the priorities of our own family life.

As a family, detail the activities of a typical day. Discuss together what priorities are reflected in this daily schedule. How does your family respond when your daily plans are interrupted or must be changed? Together read today's Gospel, Matthew 4:12-23. Reflect together on the example of the first disciples who dropped everything to follow Jesus. Ask: Does our family schedule give evidence that we put God first in our family life? What might we do to better reflect that God is our priority?

Pray together that your family will always give evidence that God comes first in your family life. Pray today's Psalm or the Lord's Prayer.