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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A "Co-operate with divine interventions in our life"

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CHRIST THE KING CHURCH THEME FOR THE YEAR

"MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER"

OFFICE HOURS Weekdays 8:00am-5.00pm

Saturdays 8:00am-12:00pm

Sundays 8:00am-2.00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAYS

6:30am, 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm Youth Mass: 8.00am

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE Daily: 6.30am & 12:15pm; Tues: 6.30pm

HOLY HOUR & MASS Thursday preceding the 1st Friday & 1st Friday 6.00pm

DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH Sunday: 7:00am

Daily Mass: Mon - Sat: 6.30am

ADORATION/EXPOSITION:

Every 1st Sunday of the month - 5.45pm - 7.15pm **Every 3rd Fridays of the month**

(Half-Night) - 7.30pm - 10.00pm

CONFESSION

Saturdays: 7.00pm (Main Church) 5.00pm (Adoration Chapel)



ADVENT CONFESSION

TUESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 2016 @ 6.00PM THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASS

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A

COMMENTARY ON READINGS

First Reading: The Prophet Isaiah foretells that through the House of David, a young woman shall conceive and bear a Son who shall be named Immanuel, that is, God-with-us. (Is 7:10-14)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 24) "Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory."

The LORD's are the earth and its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it. For he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers **Res**

Who can ascend the mountain of the LORD? or who may stand in his holy place? One whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean, who desires not what is vain. **Res**

He shall receive a blessing from the LORD, a reward from God his savior.
Such is the race that seeks for him, that seeks the face of the God of Jacob. **Res**

Second Reading: Paul asserts that Jesus Christ is truly God and truly man. Paul insists that his task is to bring all Gentiles to faith in Christ and that it is through obedience of faith in the Lord Jesus that all can be saved.. (Romans 1:1-7)

Gospel: The Gospel tells us about the circumstances surrounding the Virgin Birth of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is the perfect fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy concerning the coming of Immanuel; God-with-us. (St. Matthew 1:18-24)

MEMORIALS AND READINGS 4TH WEEK OF ADVENT, YEAR A

Monday St. Nemesion

Jgs 13:2-7. 24-25/Ps 71/Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday St. Dominic of Silos

Is 7:10-14 /Ps 24/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday St. Peter Canisius

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18/Ps 33/Lk 1:39-4

Thursday St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

1 Sam 1:24-28/1 Sam 2/Lk 1:46:56

Friday St. John of Kanty

Mal 3:1-4. 23-24/Ps 25/Lk 1:57-66

Saturday Ss. Adam & Eve

2 Sam 7:1-5. 8-12. 14. 16/Ps 89/Lk 1:67-79

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89/Acts 13:16-17. 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25

Mt 1:1-25

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Is 52:7-10/Ps 98/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18

ROSTER FOR BIDDING PRAYERS

December 18 St. Vincent de Paul 25 Sunday School

SECOND COLLECTIONS

December 11 Catechetical 18 Men vs Women

MARRIAGE CORNER

PUBLICATION OF MARRIAGE BANNS

- 1. Ernest Y. Loamenya & Cecilia A. Assan (3)
- 2. Kofi Owusu Tandoh & Rita Ama Asantewaa Twum (2)
- 3. Nana Kwame O. Brafi Kyeretwie & Paulina Ewurama Nobi (2)

MARRIAGE COUNSELLING REGISTRATION

Registration for the next session of the Marriage Counselling (January - June 2017) has began. Interested Parishioners should register at the Parish Office.

KG ADMISSION - CTK SCHOOL

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.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS-CTK

Tuesday 20th December, 2016

- 46th Anniversary of Ordination of Fr. Campbell
- Advent Confessions @ 6.00pm

Wed. 21st December, 2016

- Family Carol Night @ 6.00pm at the Main Church

Sat. 24th December, 2016

- Nine Lessons & Carols @ 6.30pm
- Holy Mass @ 7.30pm

Sun 25th December, 2016

- Christmas Mass (Normal Sunday Schedule)

Thur. 29th December, 2016

- Holy Hour for all Married Couples @ 6.30pm

Fri. 30th December, 2016

- Feast of Holy Family @ 6.30am, 12:15pm & 6.30 pm
- Renewal of Marriage Vows for all couples at all Masses

Sat. 31st December, 2016

- Holy Hour for Peace @ 9.00pm 10.00pm
- Holy Mass @ 10.00pm

Sun. 1st January, 2016

- Feast of Mother of God

(Usual Schedules)

APPRECIATION

The family of the late **Mad. Christiana Asante**, mother of Mrs. Ernestina Adom, a parishioner, wish to express profound

Mrs. Ernestina Adom, a parishioner, wish to express profound gratitude for all the prayers and support they received during their time of grief. God bless you all.

A PRAYER FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Precious Savior, breathlessly we wait for your Coming. The house has been made ready. The tree is trimmed with beautiful lights and sentimental ornaments. Already there are presents under the tree. The guests have been invited. All of the ingredients for a delightful, sumptuous meal have been purchased. Our hearts are filled to overflowing with love for you and for one another. Come into our waiting hearts that we may celebrate the miraculous day of your birth. Welcome, Lord Jesus, for it is in your name, we pray. Amen.

MEETINGS

MEETINGS TODAY AFTER 8.00AM MASS

*St. Michael Society - General

*Y.C.W.M

*St. Monica Society

*Yefri Tete Kroye Kuo, at COCOBOD Club House.

AREA GROUP MEETINGS TODAY

*Other Areas - Tesano, Dansoman, Kwashieman, Odorkor, Kwashiebu Areas, at Mr. & Mrs. Nuamah's residence at Tesano at 3.00pm. Call 0244716018 for directions.

MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY, 25TH DECEMBER, 2016

- *Christian Mothers Association
- *Kanda, Flagstaff House, 441, Ruga, 37, at Mrs. Quachey's residence at 4.00pm.

RETREAT FOR 8.00AM USHERS

There will be a retreat for 8.00am Ushers. Date to be announced later.

FATHER OF THE YEAR 2016 PROJECT

We continue with our passionate appeal to parishioners to enthrone the Sacred Heart of Jesus in their homes and to also join the apostleship of the Sacred Heart through membership of the Sacred Heart Confraternity. Parishioners are nevertheless reminded that all Catholics are devotees of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and must therefore endeavour to attend the First Friday and the Thursday preceding the First Friday Holy Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Catholic Men Association (CMA) is the preserve of adult male parishioners. Participation in CMA activities through registered membership is therefore encouraged and anticipated.

SCHEDULE OF VISITS IN NOVEMBER

SOCIETY	DATE	TIME
Y.C.W.M / COSRA	18/12/16	7.00am

Similar visits will be paid to other societies in the coming months.

CREDIT UNION CORNER

Members are encouraged to obtain and familiarise themselves with our new bye laws. The Board and Committees wish all of you, our Cherished Members, a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of financial prudence and prosperity.

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DIVINE MERCY CHURCH

ROSTER FOR BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTOR

December 18 Youth 25 Choir

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SECOND COLLECTIONS

December 04 Thanksgiving 18 Day Borns

PROGRAMME LINE UP FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR - DIVINE MERCY CHURCH -

Sat. 24th December 2016 (Christmas Eve)

6:30pm - 7:45pm Nine Lessons & Carols 8:00pm - 9:30pm Christmas Eve Mass

Sun. 25th December 2016 (Christmas Day)

8.00am Christmas Day Mass

Fri. 30th December 2016 (Holy Family)

7.00pm Mass (Special blessing for Family Life)

Sat. 31st December 2016 (New Year Vigil)

7.00pm Message by the Youth-

Drama Ministration,

Cultural troop & Choreography

Testimony Time

Prayer, Praise & Worship

10.00pm New Year Vigil Mass

11.40pm Silent Prayer before the Blessed

Sacrament &

Making Personal Resolutions for 2017

12.00 Midnight Jubilation and New Year Greetings

Sun. 1st January 2017

8.00am New Year Day Mass

(Solemnity of Mary Mother of God)

DOING IT MY WAY OR HIS WAY

I once came across a story about King Henry III of Bavaria, who lived in the eleventh century. Apparently he became tired of his earthly duties and responsibilities and felt the call to a simpler more spiritual life. He made an application to Prior Richard to enter his monastery as a contemplative, finally free from worldly distractions to foster his spiritual life.

Prior Richard responded, "Your majesty do you understand that one of the vows here is that of obedience?

That will be hard for you since you have been a king and are used to giving not receiving orders." "I understand," Henry said, "For the rest of my life I will be obedient to you, as Christ leads you." "Then I will tell you what to do." Prior Richard responded. "Go back to your throne and serve faithfully and generously in the place where God has put you."