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# **3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A**

# **15TH DECEMBER, 2019**



## **3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT COMMENTARY ON READINGS**

First Reading: At His coming, Christ fulfilled the expectation of the prophets. He made the blind see, the dumb speak and the lame walk. ( Isaiah 35:1-6, 10)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 122)** "Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever."

The LORD God keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free. Res.

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers. Res.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Res.

Second Reading: We must be patient and not lose heart in the face of all the evils of the world, for, we too have a glorious expectation to see the glory and splendor of the Lord.. (James 5:7-10)

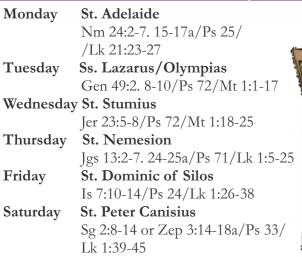
Gospel: The imprisoned John the Baptist sends to find out whether Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus answers by referring to the prophecy of Isaiah in our first reading. Jesus, in turn, praises John and tells the people about John's unique and extraordinary greatness. (Matthew 11:2-11)

#### **WEEKDAY READINGS & MEMORIALS 3RD WEEK OF ADVENT, YEAR A**

Monday

Friday

Saturday



**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

#### **ROSTER FOR BIDDING PRAYERS / 2ND COLLECTIONS**

### **BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY**

- December 15 St. Peter the Apostle Dagaaba Union 22 Crusaders
  - 29 Marriage Counseling Class

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

December 15 Men vs Women 22 Poor and Needy

#### **ADVENT 2019 PROGRAMME**

Sun, 15th December, 2019 Christmas Choral Concert in Aid of Cured Lepers @ Weija Leprosarium at the Parish Hall at 4.00 pm Christmas Novena begins Tue. 17th December, 2019 Advent Lecture : Topic - Faith in Public Life III Speaker : Justice Ama Gaisie Fri. 20th December, 2019 | 6.30 pm Family Concert Night - on the occasion of 49th Priestly Anniversary of Fr. Andrew Campbell, SVD Sat. 21st December, 2019 | 6.00pm Vespers to be led by Angelic Choir @ the Adoration Chapel Sun. 22nd December, 2019 Lunch for Poor & Needy; Lepers & Soup Kitchen @ Parish Hall after 8:00am Mass Tues. 24th December, 2019 - Christmas Eve -\* Nine Lessons & Carols @ 7.00pm \* Holy Mass @ 8.15pm Wed. 25th December, 2019 - Christmas Day -\* Mass Schedule: 7.00am | 9.00am | 6.00pm \* Youth Mass @ 9.00am Thurs. 26th December, 2019 - Boxing Day -Feast of St. Stephen Day Mass @ 7.00am Sat. 28th December, 2019 Holy Hour for married couples @ 6.00 pm Sun. 29th December, 2019 - Family Sunday-Mass schedule as usual - Renewal of Marriage Vows for all couples at all Masses Tue. 31st December, 2019 - New Year's Eve -- New Year Vigil, Holy Hour for Peace @9-10pm & - Holy Mass @ 10.00pm Wed. 1st January, 2020 - New Year Day -Feast of Solemnity of Mary Mother of God @ 9.00am

#### SOCIETAL CALL FOR MEMBERSHIP

## **CRUSADERS FOR CHRIST**

The Crusaders for Christ Prayer Group meets everyday except Sunday, immediately after the Morning Mass at the Grotto. Join us pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy and other devotional prayers.

## YOUTH LECTORS

Youth Lectors invite the youth to join them. The Youth Lectors meet every Sunday immediately after the 8.00am Mass at the Parish Hall.

## MEETINGS

## AFTER 8.00AM TODAY

- \*Young Christian Workers Movement \*St. Matthew Society
- \*St. Michael Ewe Union
- \*St. Peter the Apostle Dagaaba Union

\*Ushers, in the old Youth room of the Adoration Chapel building

#### **DURING THE WEEK**

\*Padre Pio, on Wednesday, 18th December, 2019 at 6.00pm in the Adoration Chapel. \*Grandparents Association, on Thursday, 19th December, 2019 after midday Mass at St. Anthony's Room.

#### NEXT SUNDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 2019

\*Christian Mothers Association \* Kanda Area Group



#### NOTICE TO ALL SUNDAY VENDORS AT CHRIST THE KING

Vendors who want to sell on Sundays are required to bring Business Registration Certificates and Doctors Medical Reports within the last 3 months to the Parish Office by close of today, 15th December, 2019.

#### Are you a youth parishioner and want to sing in a choir?

Do you play any musical instrument? Angelic Choir, the youth choir, invites you to join them. The choir rehearses on Saturdays 3.00pm - 6.00pm & Sundays after 8.00am Mass.

Call/whatsapp : 0268747844 or 0244534354





The Arrupe Jesuit Institute in collaboration with Christ the King Parish, Cantonments





Speaker: Ambassador Sylvester Jude Kpakpo Parker-Allotey **Retired Career Diplomat** 

🛗 December 17, 2019 🧭 6 : 30 pm 🤱 Christ the King Parish, Opp. Jubilee House

#### MARRIAGE BANNS

1. Joseph Francis Kofi Acquah & Wendyliza Kwarteng (3) 2. Bennet Abeku Danquah & Elizabeth Araba Turkson (1)

### HOPSANS CALLING

Dear HOPSAN, please join our annual visit to the Hopsa female acute ward of the Accra Psychiatric Hospital today, Sun,15th Dec 2019 at 10:30am. Kindly send cash donations through mobile money on 0557936268. Donations in kind should be brought to the venue early. Bring your gold, frankincense & myrrh.

Facta non Verba!

#### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT

The funeral arrangement of the late Nicholas Nii Nortei Ashong, husband of Mrs. Yvonne Tachie-Menson Ashong, a parishioner, are as follows:

17th December, 2019: Burial, memorial and thanksgiving service at the Eben-Ezer Presbyterian Church, Osu at 10.00 am. Funeral rites follows at the Eben-Ezer Presbyterian Church after interment at the Osu cemetery.

