



PARISH AUDIOVISUAL TEAM **CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Parish invites youth parishioners who are interested in helping in the projection of songs, live streaming, photography, operation of PA system, audio and video editing, and graphic designing to kindly contact Norbert (0264888513) or Noel (0248955087). Technical training will be provided.



NB: THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS

SINGLE ROOM WANTED

In Kokomlemle, Adabraka, Cantonments, Osu and environs. Call: 233-245-276017 **TWO(2) BEDROOM HOUSE** NEEDED TO RENT

A parishioner is in need of a two (2) bedroom and a hall self contained at Tema, Kanda, Teshie Nungua, Spintex and its environs to rent. Please contact 0267806295





PROGRAMME OUTLINE





MIDDAY MASS There will be no Midday Mass from Wednesday, 13th - Monday, 18th April, 2022. Midday Mass resumes on Tuesday, 19th April, 2022.

MORNING MASS ON EASTER MONDAY There will be no Morning Mass(6.30am) on Monday, 18th April, 2022. Mass will be at 9:00am to precede the **Easter Monday Picnic**

PALM SUNDAY FROM

OF THE LORD'S PASSION, YEAR C

First Reading: The suffering servant, accepts the suffering role which the Father had chosen for him. He preaches the message of God's mercy to mankind. Many reject and torture him, but with God on his side, he will not be moved from his resolute purpose, by their insults and injuries.(Isaiah 50:4-7)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 22)

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" All who see me scoff at me: they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him." Res.

Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; They have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones. Res.

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O LORD, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me. Res.

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!" Res

Second Reading: Jesus took upon himself our human condition and accepted the humiliation of death on the cross. By His obedience to the will of His Father, He made up for our sinful disobedience. Therefore, God raised Him high and made Him Lord of heaven and earth. (Philippians 2:6-11)

Gospel: St. Luke presents Jesus as the merciful Savior who brings salvation to all. He forgives His executioners and pardons and receives the repentant thief into paradise.(Lk 22:14 - 23:56)

WEEKDAY READINGS **HOLY WEEK . YEAR C**

| Monday | St. Stanislaus |
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| | Is 42:1-7/ Ps 27/Jn 12:1-11 |
| Tuesday | St. Julius I |
| | Is 49:1-6/Ps 71/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 |
| Wednesday | St. Martin I |
| | Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69/Mt 26:14-25 |
| Thursday | Holy Thursday |
| | Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 105/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15 |
| Friday | Good Friday |
| | Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ |
| | Jn 18:1—19:42 |
| Saturday | Holy Saturday |
| | Various Readings of OT/ |
| | Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118/Lk 24:1-12 |

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6B-8 / Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

THE PASTOR'S DESK Dear Parishioners,

Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit.

Welcome to Holy Week. This week is called Holy Week not only because it marks the last week of the life of Jesus on earth but also because we are called upon to immerse ourselves deeply in the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. During this week, we shall celebrate the cardinal events of our faith, namely, the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Priesthood and the celebration of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus known as the paschal mystery. Proper participation in the Holy Week liturgy should deepen our relationship with God, increase our faith and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus. Let us remember that Holy Week can become "holy" for us only if we actively and consciously participate in the liturgy. Therefore, do not pick and choose which Church service you will attend. Be present at every celebration.

Today's liturgy presents us with two gospel readings from Luke 19:28-40 (which is read during the first part of the celebration) and Luke 22:14-23:56 (the passion narrative). Luke 19:28-40 narrates the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. It was time for the Passover, and as was customary, all Jews were expected to participate in that great festival that celebrates the deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt. Jesus directed his disciples to go and bring a colt; with the instruction, the Lord needs it. When they had brought it, they put their cloaks on it, and Jesus sat on it. By riding on a donkey, Jesus was fulfilling and affirming the messianic prophecy. His choice of a donkey indicates that He was a humble and peaceful king, a symbol that contradicts the popular idea of a messiah, one who would wrestle power from the Romans. Jesus entered Jerusalem fearlessly, knowing what awaited him there. When the Pharisees asked Jesus to rebuke his disciples because they were proclaiming him as the messiah, Jesus said in reply, I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!

This Gospel reading teaches us that: (1) Jesus needs what we have to accomplish what he wants to do. He needs our resources and our talents for His service. (2) Jesus did not shy away from the cross. Let us pray for the grace to face our challenges courageously. (3) By riding a donkey, Jesus teaches the value of humility and peace. (4) The sentiments of other people should not stop us from demonstrating our loyalty to Jesus.

Luke 22:14-23:56 tells of the drama of the trial of Jesus, which culminated in his crucifixion. The story of the passion invites us to examine ourselves in the light of some of the characters in the story, such as Peter, who denied Jesus; Judas, who betrayed Jesus; Pilate, who acted against his conscience and condemned Jesus to death; Herod who ridiculed Jesus, and the leaders of the people who preserved their position by getting rid of Jesus.

I wish you a fulfilling celebration of the Holy Week that leads to the beauty of Easter Joy.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

Fr. Akesseh

SECOND COLLECTION

| April | 10 | Youth Sunday (Arch) |
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| | 17 | Men vs Women |

24 Poor and Needy

BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY

Christian Mothers Association April 17 24 Marshallan Association

MARRIAGE BANNS

Being fully God, Jesus knew exactly what was about to 1. Emmanuel Ebenmosi Olurunda & Vivian Inikpi Omale (2) happen. He'd be insulted, rejected, and abandoned – both by the Jewish leaders (many of whom believed in him but 2. Michael Sofo & Lawrencia Annan (2) 3. Peter Baaferi Anala & Ursula Inematu Agaghedewe (2) who were too scared to admit it, since they "loved praise from men more than praise from God" and by his closest friends. (John 12:42)

SOCIETAL / GROUP MEETINGS TODAY

He would suffer indescribable torment. The press of the *Christian Mothers Association, after the 8:30am Mass at thorn; the sting of the whip; the pain of the nails and the the St. Anthony room, Parish Hall.. struggle to breathe.

*Catholic Men Association, after the 8:30am Mass at the St. And he would know the heartache of watching his mother Maria Goretti room, upstairs of Adoation Chapel building. watch him die - and of being unable, in that moment, to *Kasena Nankana, after the 8:30am Mass at the Grotto. wipe the tears from her eyes. *St. Michael Ewe Union (Executives), after the 8:30am Mass at the Grotto.

Jesus says that his heart is "troubled" and that the idea of backing out has at least presented itself. He confides in his *St. Peter the Apostle Dagaaba Union, after the 8:30am friends, telling them that he is "overwhelmed with sorrow Mass at the St. Anthony room, Parish Hall. to the point of death." And he prays, asking God if there is *YCWM, after the 8:30am Mass at the Parish Office. any way to take a pass...but then, ultimately, choosing

NEXT SUNDAY *St. Michael Ewe Union (General), after the 8:30am Mass God's will over his own. (Jn 12:27, Mat 26:38, Mat 26:39) at the Grotto.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

From the gospels, we see a man inspired by obedience, The CTK Charismatic Renewal will be organising a Life in the Spirit Seminar. Interested persons should trust, humility, and love. And, in addition to these internal motivators, Hebrews 12:2 reveals an external driver: kindly contact Future joy. "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus," the writer says, 0249494414/0245783476/0244413275 "who for the joy set before him endured the cross..."

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Beloved, Jesus invites us to grab our crosses and follow him this week. Like him, we shall be betrayed by friends; The death has been reported of Mrs. Marian accused by society; insulted and spat upon by bystanders. Neena Kwofie (née Sumani), a parishioner, after We shall be crucified in various ways. We must however be a short illness. She was the wife of Mr. Fred hopeful of a future joy. The pain and suffering will not Kwofie, a parishioner and the daughter of the late always be. Mrs. Christine Abavana.

A Pre-burial service and Burial & Thanksgiving Mass will be held on Tuesday, 12th April, 2022 at

Christ the King Catholic Church, Accra at 7.30am and 9:00am respectively. Interment will be private. Dress code: Black All well wishers and sympathizers are cordially invited.

The death is reported of Madam Beatrice Ampiah, elder sister of Mr Joe Ampiah Dadson, a parishioner. She was 84years. Funeral arangements will be announced later.

The wife, childern, and the entire family of the late Col. (Dr) We sadly announce the death of ACP Peter Ayirezang which sad Emmanuel Adekotey Kodjo-Wayo (Rtd) express their event occurred at the Police Hospital on 1st March 2022. Burial and heartfelt gratitude for the immense support they received funeral arrangements will be communicated to you later. since the loss of their loved one.

FAITH CORNER **ROAD TO THE CROSS**

Wow!, We have entered into the HOLY WEEK. The Week that I call "THE WEEK OF WEEKS". The week when Jesus knew that "the time had come for him to leave this world" (John 13:1), and that the road ahead – the road to the cross – would be filled with unspeakable pain. What thoughts filled the mind of Jesus?

So what was he thinking, on the road to the cross?

Clearly, the road wasn't easy. It was agonizing. So how did he do it? How did he – being fully man – get past the fear and the worry and the sorrow that stood in his path?

HAVE A SPIRIT-FILLED HOLY WEEK

- Rev. Fr. Donatus Pallu

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APPRECIATION