# Bulletin SUNDAY, 3RD JULY, 2022

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays 8:00am-5.00pm

Saturdays 8:00am-12:00pm

Sundays 8:00am-2.00pm

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **SUNDAYS**

6:30am, 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm Youth Mass : 8.30am

#### **WEEKDAY SCHEDULE**

Daily: 6.30am & 12:15pm; Tues: 6.30am | 12:15pm | 6.30pm

#### HOLY HOUR & MASS

Thursday preceding the 1st Friday & 1st Friday @ 6.00pm

#### **CONFESSION**

Saturdays: After Morning Mass & 5.00pm (Adoration Chapel)

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Very Rev. Fr. Ebenezer Akesseh - Parish Priest (0244727276) Rev. Fr. Donatus Pallu - Parochial Vicar (024 988 1284)

Rev. Fr. Wisdom Dordunu - Priest in Residence (0244109037)



# JESUS COMMISSIONS 72 DISCIPLES AND SENDS THEM OUT IN PAIRS

#### **HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?**

Parishioners are encouraged to pay their dues at the Parish office. Parish dues is GH12.00 and GH24.00 per annum for Youth and Adult respectively

#### **HOW TO GET REGISTERED AS A PARISHIONER?**

To check your Parish registration status, contact the Parish Office. If you are not registered you can pick a registration form for free at the Parish Office or request for a soft copy via Whatsapp (0264888513).

# 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

**First Reading:** God reigns in the world and in the Church. He nourishes us His children and He consoles and comforts us. In Him we find love, peace and joy. **(Isaiah 66:10-14)** 

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 66)
" Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise.

Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!" Res.

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!"

Come and see the works of God,
his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam. Res.

He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever. **Res.** 

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me.
Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness! **Res.** 

**Second Reading:** Paul refers to what he had to suffer as a missionary. Much of his pain was caused by his fellow Jews who did not accept his vision of the new Israel of God which is the Church. **(Galatians 16:14-18)** 

**Gospel:** Jesus appoints and sends out seventy-two disciples to preach the Word in every town and place where He Himself would later visit. Their mission was very successful..

(Luke 10:1-12, 17-29)

### WEEKDAY READINGS 14TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

Monday St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Hos 2:16-17c.-18.21-22/ Ps 145/

Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria

Hos 8:4-7.11-13/Ps 115/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday St. Maria Goretti

Hos 10:1-3.7-8.12/Ps 105/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday St. Pantenus

Hos 11:1-4. 8c-9/Ps 80/Mt 10:7-15

Friday Ss. Hesperus and Zoe

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday Ss. Augustine Zhao Rong and co/BVM

Am 6:1-8/Ps 93/Mt 10:24-33

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest

Today's gospel reading opens with Jesus calling the seventy-two and sending them out in pairs. He tells them the nature of the task ahead – *the harvest is abundant*! There is a lot to be done. The field is ripe with souls waiting to be saved. However, *the laborers are few*. Jesus emphasizes that it is God who calls. Remember His words to his disciples: *You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last* (John 15:16). Therefore, the disciples were to pray that the Lord would send many more people to do his work.

The request has twofold implications: First, let us pray for many more young men and women to respond to the call to serve the people of God. I look forward to some of our youth in the parish entering the seminary and religious life. A sample prayer you can pray is: "Father, you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you. Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers. Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call. We ask this Jesus' name. Amen." (https://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayers-vocations - more prayers can be found at the link.) I encourage the Vocations Committee in our parish to continue their efforts at promoting vocations in our community.

Secondly, you also must pray so that you can labor in the vineyard of the Lord by drawing many more people to Christ. The call is not limited to only priests and religious. Thomas O'Meara, a theologian, says: "Ministry is a horizon within the life of the Christian community. A woman, a man, is baptized not into an audience or a club but into a community which, accepting a vision of humanity and a faith in unseen divine presence, is essentially and unavoidably ministerial. Just as Christian faith is communal, so Christian community is ministerial. Churches are clusters of people with a world to serve" (Theology of Ministry, page 5).

We can become evangelizers in our homes, workplaces, and communities. Sometimes we have Christians praying that others would do the work they are unwilling to do. We should imitate the willingness of the Prophet Isaiah to respond to God's call: Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8)

When Jesus calls us, He does not send us on an easy journey: behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Not only is He sending us to work as farmers during harvest, He warns us about the dangers and the difficulties that lay ahead and He assures us He would take care of us.

I pray for a fruitful month and a blessed second half of the year for you.

The Lord bless and keep you. Fr. Akesseh

#### SECOND COLLECTION

July 03 Thanksgiving

10 Catholic Women Council

17 Men vs Women24 Poor & Needy

#### **BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY**

July 03 Sacred Heart Confraternity

10 Catholic Men Association

17 Eucharist Ministers

24 Ushers

# SOCIETAL / GROUP MEETINGS

\*Parish Youth Council, after the 8:00am Mass at the Youth Room

\*Sacred Heart Confraternity, after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Maria Room (Parish Hall).

\*Tarcisians, after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Joseph Room (Parish Hall).

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

\*Christian Mothers Association, after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Anthony Room (Parish Hall).

\*Catholic Men Association, after the 8:00am Mass at the School Canteen.

\*Kasena Nankana, after the 8:00am Mass at the Grotto.

\*St. Michael Ewe Union (Executives), after the 8:00am Mass at the Grotto.

\*Marshallan Association, after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Marian's Room (Parish Hall).

#### ADULT CATECHESIS

Adult Catechism class (for 1st Communion and Confirmation) is held for parishioners who are 18yrsp and above. The class is held on every Monday at 6:00pm at St. Maria Goretti room, upstairs of the Adoration Chapel building. Registration for the new class is ongoing at the Parish office.

#### 10TH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE

The family of the late Mrs Victoria Eduwodzi Akuffo observes the 10th death Anniversary of their beloved today, 3rd July, 2022.

#### **FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The death has been announced of **Gilbert Kodzo Alipui**, a parishioner, which sad event occurred on Saturday, 11th June 2022, after a short illness. Funeral arrangements are as follows;

Friday, 22nd July 2022: Burial Mass at 7.30am at Christ the King Parish, Accra.

**Sunday, 24th July, 2022:** Memorial Mass at 10:30am at Christ the King Parish, Accra.

# FAITH CORNER THE THEOLOGICAL AND

**CARDINAL VIRTUES** 

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC #1814), "Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that He has said and revealed to us, and that Holy Church proposes for our belief, because He is truth

By faith man freely commits his entire self to God. For this reason the believer seeks to know and do God's will. "The righteous shall live by faith." (Gal 3:11)

For the author of the Book of Hebrews, "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." (11:1). He will use the whole chapter to explain what he meant by this statement.

Faith is not just wishing that things will happen or desiring that good fortunes will come while we idle about. Faith is working and praying at the same time so that good fortunes may emerge. That is why James admonishes us that, "faith apart from works is dead" (Jas 2:17)

#### MAKING AN ACT OF FAITH

This is doing something that shows your religious beliefs. Faith has therefore got to do more with willing which moves into action. Sometimes the will to do something might be that weak but actually carrying it out is a great demonstration of faith.

In Hebrews 11, the author mentions the names of the biblical figures and attributed faith to them because of their actions.

Abel offers a better sacrifice because of faith. Enoch was taken up because of faith and righteous living. Noah built the ark because of faith. Abraham moved out of his home to a strange land because of faith and will pass various tests because of his faith. Jacob, Moses, Rahab, Gideon, Samson, David, etc. will all act out of faith. Faith is not only demonstrated in prayer but also in our daily actions.

In conclusion, FAITH MUST NOT BE STATIONARY IN THE MIND AND HEART. FAITH MUST BE LIVED THROUGH OUR HANDS AND FEET.

- Rev. Fr. Donatus Pallu

#### **CTK PYC EXCURSION**

The Parish Youth Council is organizing an Excursion to Afadzato. Activities Include (Mountain climbing), visit to Tagbo falls.

Date: Saturday, 23rd July, 2022

Rate: GHC 150.00 (includes transportation, food and entrance fee) Interested parishioners should contact Michael Sofo (0543003023) or any of the PYC Executives after the youth Mass. Registration could also be done at the Parish Office.

#### APPRECIATION

The children and family of the late **Mrs Eleanor Mary Arthur,** express their gratitude to all parishioners for your presence and support during the burial, and thanksgiving Masses for their dearly departed. May God bless you all.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society is a lay Catholic organisation that aspires to bring the love of God to the poor and needy through serving them in love and respect. We call on parishioners to join us fulfill the word of Jesus in Matthew 25:35-36. Please call 0594815591 /0244284669

#### **JOB VACANCY**

A Parishioner residing in Cantonments is looking for a Washman and a Driver. Interested persons should reach out to the contact

Interested persons should reach out to the contact below. +233269382146

#### OFFICE SPACES TO LET

(1) Single Room Space

(2) Three (3) bedroom apartment with large hall, kitchen, 3 washrooms, plus enough space.

Call 0244219387/0245024246.

Location: Near Labone Dental Clinic.

## ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE NEEDED URGENTLY

A parishioner who lost his job as a result of the CoVID-19 pandemic is looking for free accommodation for his family. Any one who can be of help should please call the Parish Office 0245276017

