

## MEETINGS

- ♦ The **Lectors' Group** meets every Wednesday at 6.30pm prompt. Ga and Ewe readers are especially invited.
- ♦ **St. Anthony Guild's** meets at 5:30pm on Tuesdays. The 13days novena prayer is on-going
- ♦ **Non-Society** meets every 2nd Sunday in every month
- ♦ **Catholic Women Association** will meet today after 1st Mass
- ♦ **St. Francis of Assisi Nigerian Community** meets every 1st Sunday in every month after 1st Mass.
- ♦ **St. Theresa Church Choir** meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:30pm in the Chapel.
- ♦ **Sacred Heart Confraternity** meets every 1st Sunday of the month after 2nd Mass
- ♦ **St. Theresa of the Child Jesus** meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm
- ♦ **Theresian International Ministry** will meet on Wednesday April 20, 2016 at 10:00am. There is a Report from the board
- ♦ **Immaculate Heart of Mary Choir** meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:00pm at the 2nd Conference Room.

## COMPANY'S ADVERTISEMENT

The Historical and Brochure Committee for the Jubilee Anniversary respectfully invites parishioners who own businesses to provide their business contacts, addresses and profiles to be published in the anniversary brochure which is about to go for printing.

The Church is giving an opportunity for business owners to advertise in the brochure at a heavily subsidised/discounted rate. This will expose your business to parishioners and the general public. Kindly provide the information as below:

- ♦ Name of Business
- ♦ Business address/location
- ♦ Contact number
- ♦ Type of Business

In addition, parishioners and non-parishioners who want to advertise their company or buy a space in the brochure will pay the amount as follows:

<u>PARISHIONERS</u>	<u>NON-PARISHIONERS</u>
<b>Full page:</b> Ghc 1000.000	<b>Full page:</b> Ghc 2,000.00
<b>Half page:</b> Ghc 500.00	<b>Half page:</b> Ghc 1,000.00
<b>Quarter page:</b> Ghc 250.00	<b>Quarter page:</b> Ghc 500.00

## TEENS CAMP! TEENS CAMP!! TEENS CAMP!!!

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Accra Archdiocese presents Teens Camp 2016 dubbed "**I am chosen to bear fruits**". (Jn. 15:15-16)

It is aimed at drawing our young ones from the ages of 8-15years to a loving relationship with their Father in Heaven.

**Date:** 21st to 24th April, 2016  
**Venue:** Holy Spirit Retreat Centre, Kuntunse  
**Rate:** GHC55.00

Call **Mark Nketiah** on **050-9520112** for further details

**Let the little children come to me for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to them.**

## YOUTH CORNER: EMPOWERMENT SEMINAR

The Kaneshie Deanery Catholic Youth Council presents "**Empowerment Seminar 2016**" on Saturday 23rd April, 2016. The general public is invited.

Speakers: **Prof. Stephen Adei** (Former Rector of GIMPA)

**Mr. Ken Ashigbey** (MD, Graphic Comm. Group)

Venue: St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church Lapaz, New Market

Time: 8:00am

Rate: GHC15.00

Topics: **Wealth Creation, Succession planning and Communication in leadership**

Packages include: Lunch, certificate, Notepad and Pen  
 Contact the following numbers **0243-789549/ 020-7557663/ 0263-706419/ 020-9026075 for ticket**

All parishes should encourage their youth to attend the seminar.

**Catholic Youth.....Power in action**

## MUSICAL CONCERT

Martyrs of Uganda Catholic church, Mamprobi as part of it 50th anniversary celebration is organizing a **Jubilee Choral Concert** at 5:00pm on Saturday 23rd April, 2016 at the Parish.

Special Guest of Honour:

**His Grace Charles Gabriel Palmer-Buckle** (Metropolitan Archbishop of Accra)

*Come let us celebrate 50 years of sacrifice and love.*

## APPRECIATION

The **Ankoma-Sey** family expresses their profound gratitude to the Parish Priest, Parish Pastoral Council and the entire congregation for your support and prayers during the burial of the late Mr. Josiah Ankoma-Sey. May God richly bless you.

## THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Catechism classes for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation have began. The following are the schedule and venue for the classes

♦ **Baptism and First Holy Communion for children**

**Day:** Saturdays at 8:00am  
**Venue:** Beneath the Parish Hall

♦ **Baptism and First Holy Communion for adults**

**Day:** Sundays at 3:00pm  
**Venue:** Conference Room  
 Interested people are welcome

♦ **Confirmation for children**

**Time:** 3:00pm every Sunday  
**Venue:** Parish Hall, first floor

Contact: **020-8001234/020-815459 5** for registration and further details

## ADDRESS

Nantu Link B872/7,  
 Awudome Street  
 P. O. Box 146, Kaneshie  
 Accra.  
**Website:**  
 www.minibasilica.com

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Mornings (6:00am):**  
 Monday, Wednesday  
 Thursday and Saturday.

**Evenings (6:30pm):**  
 Tuesday & Friday

## SUNDAY MASSES

1st Mass 7:00am  
 2nd Mass 9:30am  
 Youth Mass 7:30am  
 French Mass 9:30am

## OFFICE HOURS / CONTACTS

Monday-Saturday: 8am-8pm  
 Sunday: 9am-2pm

**Office Lines:** 0302227027, 0302257357,  
 0504-187661  
**Cell:** 0248-630404, 0246-858376  
**E-mail:** officestheresa2014@gmail.com



## ST. THERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Purity & Love*

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2016



**FIRST READING: ACTS 13:14,43-52**

The first reading talks about how the new Christians experienced the saving power of God and their zeal to spread the Good news having received the Holy Spirit.

**RESPONSORIAL: PSALM 100:1-2,3,5**

**WE ARE HIS PEOPLE, THE SHEEP OF HIS FLOCK**

**SECOND READING: REVELATIONS 7:9,14-17**

St. John's visions of the future in heaven for those who accepted Christ and struggled through this life by the grace of God and the direction of the Holy Spirit

**GOSPEL: JOHN 10:27-30**

The Divine Shepherd who has laid down His life for His people, now stands ready to lead His people into the divine pasture of Heaven where we will be safe and "never perish."

## PRIESTS

VERY REV. FR. JOHANNES MINTAH-MENSAH: **0208-115860**  
 REV. FR. RICHARD AKROFI BAAFI: **0244-850314**

## GA RURAL RECTORATE

REV. FR. CHRISTOPHER SACEY: **0243-969866**  
 REV. FR. ALPHONSE BULLORO: **0208-513145**

## GA ODUMASE RECTORATE

REV. FR. PASCAL ANKAMAH : **0243-345240**

**CONFESSION: SATURDAY 5:00 PM—7:00PM // INFANT BAPTISM: 3RD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

**BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY (BCC): Every Thursday at 6:30pm**

**HOLY HOUR: Every Thursday preceding first Friday of the month at 6:30 pm**

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION: Every first Friday of the month from 6:00am—6:00pm**

**GROTTO DEVOTION: First Saturday of every month at OLA, New Achimota at 2:30PM**

**ARE YOU SICK OR BEREAVED? CONTACT THE FOLLOWING: 0302227027/0208159454**

**New Parishioners: You are warmly welcome to St. Theresa Catholic Church, please see a Priest or call the Parish office on 0302227027/0504-187661**

## GRATITUDE

"Celebrating" doesn't have to be with a great deal of fanfare, music, flowers or incense. It is a condition of the heart and mind. When meditating on what Jesus has done for us, we should never run out of gratitude, praise and thanksgiving.

This is the kind of celebration that God wants from us. Further, if we are still not convinced, we should think about how Jesus, the Son of God, forgave Peter three times after Peter had denied Jesus three times (See: John 21:15-17).

He will do the same for us when we come to Him with a contrite heart.

## JESUS CHRIST, OUR TRUE SHEPHERD

**T**oday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday or Vocations Sunday. Jesus describes himself with the image of the Good Shepherd. Between a shepherd and the sheep is a bond or covenant of love. The owner (true) shepherd would go beyond what it takes for him to earn his livelihood to giving his all; he would care to the point of laying down his life to free the sheep from the clutches of wolves as other dangers. On their part the sheep, trusting their shepherd, would listen to his voice and follow him. Christ Jesus talks of his relationship with us in the same way.

In this Easter season, we are pondering on the mystery of Christ's special love and care for his sheep for which reason he gave himself for you and me. By dying he has destroyed our death; by rising he has restored our life. Today we are called to trust our God and never despair that no matter the ugly events of our lives and how lonely and abandoned we may feel, our good shepherd is always there to lead us to greener pastures and to protect us from harm's way. We will not dismiss the reality that there are wolves, enemies, detractors, and sabotages in our life, yet with Christ we can shake off the dust, walk away and move on from every enmity, sabotage, distraction, rejection, persecution, failure, anger and bitterness that we would meet with. The message of the logo for the year of Mercy is that Christ is the good shepherd who touches the flesh of humanity and does so with a love with the power to change one's life. In his great mercy he lifts us up unto his shoulders and carries us out of the night of sin and death. From whatever distresses our souls the good shepherd is here to save us.

On this vocations Sunday, we are all being reminded of our call to be 'listening' and 'following' sheep. To succeed in whichever vocation we have been called to, we must be ready to listen to and obey the voice of Jesus the good shepherd. Today many voices are promising us heaven on earth and the fighting continues about who has more power, but Christ's Messiahship was not about power and might but rather of service and sacrifice. If we keep listening and following the popular power-seeking and materialistic 'messiahs' of our times, we will not only end up losing our daily bread; we will also lose our lives, our souls and eternity with God. Let us pay attention to the true teachings of Scripture and the Church. Let us keep praying for, supporting and motivating our priests, religious brothers and sisters, seminarians and the many other people who have care of us, that amid the destructions, temptations, and challenges of their work and mission, they will, after the heart of Christ, persevere and labour on in the work of Christ in his Church and the world at large.



### DAILY READINGS FROM APR 18— APR 23, 2016

Mon Apr . 18	<b>Acts</b> 11:1-18	<b>Ps.</b> 42:2-3;43:3,4;	<b>Jn.</b> 10:1-10
Tue Apr . 19	<b>Acts</b> 11:19-26	<b>Ps.</b> 87:1-3,4-5,6-7;	<b>Jn.</b> 10:22-30
Wed Apr . 20	<b>Acts</b> 12:24-13:5	<b>Ps.</b> 67:2-3,5,6&8;	<b>Jn.</b> 12:44-50
Thurs Apr . 21	<b>Acts</b> 13:13-25;	<b>Ps.</b> 89:2-3,21-22,25&27;	<b>Jn.</b> 13:16-20
Fri Apr . 22	<b>Acts</b> 13:26-33;	<b>Ps.</b> 2:6-7,8-9,10-11;	<b>Jn.</b> 14:1-6
Sat Apr . 23	<b>Acts</b> 13:44-52	<b>Ps.</b> 98:1,2-3,3-4;	<b>Jn.</b> 14:7-14

### OFFERTORY FOR LAST SUNDAY APRIL 10, 2016

MAIN COLLECTION	GHC	4,616.60
THANKSGIVING	GHC	1,930.00
JUBILEE PROJECTS COLLECTION	GHC	2,110.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>GHC</b>	<b>8,656.60</b>

### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2016)

FIRST READING:	ACTS 14:21-27
RESPONSORIAL:	PSALM 145:8-9,10-11,12-13
SECOND READING:	REVELATIONS 21:1-5
GOSPEL:	JOHN 13:31-33,34-35

### LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK AND AGED PARISHIONERS

MR. ANDREW BAAH	MR. FRANCIS BAFFOE
MRS. CECILIA SENAYA	MR. JOHN ASANTE
MRS. GRACE MAHAMA	MR. JOSEPH ANOWIE
MAD. CHRISTIANA ERBYNN	MR. ATHANASIUS EDDOH
MR. ANTHONY INTERKUDZI	MAD. MARY NEEQUAYE
MAD. PHILOMENA ATANLEY	MRS. AGNES COCH
MR. ANTHONY ODURO	MR. NEEQUAYE-AMON
MRS. GEORGINA TAYLOR	MR. EDWARD ABOAGYE
MRS. PAULINA ADDOTEVI AKUE	MRS. KOBI-FORDAH
MRS. SEDAY AFAGBEJI	MAD. ESTHER AMOAH
MRS. AGNES DE-GRAFT	MR. JOHN EKOW AFFUL
MR. ANTHONY KYEI-MENSAH	MRS. MARY ASANTE
MRS. M. DEKOLADENU	MR. J. R. MALM
MRS. JUSTINA JACKSON	CAPT. AMPOFO
MRS. REJOICE AMOAH	

### BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY (BCC)

**MEETING DAYS: EVERY THURSDAY EVENING EXCEPT 1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY OF THE MONTH (BCC WILL RESUME ON 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2016)**

#### BUBIASHIE

Community Name: **Calvary**  
Residency: Bro. Tony's Residence  
Contact: Tony Frimpong (0277-439497)  
Direction: Near Mercy School, Bubiashie Station

Community Name: **Our Lady of Assumption**  
Residency: Mr. Ahinakwa's Residence (0244-208770)  
Contact: Agnes Ahinakwa (0243-180640)  
Direction: Bubuashie Alhaji Junction

#### NORTH KANESHIE

Community Name: **St. Anthony**  
Residency: Mrs. Lydia Anthonio's Residence  
Contact: Mrs. Anthonio (0244-605885)  
Direction: Near Holy Trinity Hospital

Community Name: **Jericho**  
Residency: Mr. Gabriel Deku  
Contact: Paul Pulpulampo (0271-006647)  
Direction: Near Mi-Place, Cedi wear Junction

#### KANESHIE

Community Name: **Bethany**  
Residency: Mad. Anna Nyasunu's Residence - 0246-605678  
Contact: Frederick (0246-645019)  
Direction: Behind Big Boss

Community Name: **Divine Mercy**  
Residency: Mrs. Ashigbey's Residence  
Contact: Sandra Adzam (0246-007582)  
Direction: Opp. Ga Mantse Palace, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gate from Polyclinic

#### NKRUMAH FLATS

Community Name: **Mother of Good Counsel**  
Residency: Mrs. Lartey's Residence (0244-725131)  
Contact: Emelda (0209-273562)  
Direction: Near Sapporo Hotel

#### SWANLAKE

Community Name: **Sacred Heart**  
Residency: Mr. Wayne  
Contact: Emelda (0209-273562)  
Direction: Behind St. Theresa's School

#### ORGLER ROAD

Community Name: **St. Rita of Casca**  
Residency: Rita Ainooson  
Contact: Mrs. Ainooson 0245042037/0207529197  
Direction: La Rije Restaurant, Orgler Road, near the Pork Show

#### AWUDOME ESTATE

Community Name: **Maranatha**  
Residency: Mr. Barnabas Cudjoe's Residence  
Contact: Bro. Cudjoe (0302229057, 0244-175552)  
Direction: Heavy's Rod, Awudome

Community Name: **Upper Room**  
Residency: Mrs. Sallah's (Mamaga) Residence  
Contact: Mrs. Yvonne Tamakloe (0244-361172)  
Direction: From Parish roundabouts to Sports Complex, 1<sup>st</sup> Junction on the right, 3<sup>rd</sup> house on the left

Community Name: **Holy Trinity**  
Residency: Auntie Doris Residence  
Contact: Michael Anson (0246-164917)  
Direction: Near Ayrton Drug, Abeka Total

### UPCOMING JUBILEE ACTIVITIES

#### TRADITIONAL SUNDAYS

SUN APRIL 24	-	AKAN SUNDAY
SUN. MAY 1	-	CLIMAX OF TRADITIONAL MONTH WITH FOOD BAZAR (TRADITIONAL ATTIRE & FOODS)
MON. MAY 2	-	FUN GAMES WITH OTHER CHURCHES
MAY	-	WOMEN'S MONTH (MOTHERS DAY)
JUNE	-	MEN'S MONTH (FATHERS DAY)
AUGUST	-	PILGRIMAGE TO YAMO USSOKRO

#### PPC CORNER

Parish Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for next **Sunday April 24, 2016** after 1st Mass. All councilors should take note

#### MARRIAGE CORNER

##### 3RD & FINAL PUBLICATION OF BANNS

**GROOM: PATRICK ARTHUR BRIDE: EVELYN K. FRIMPONG**  
**FATHER: PAUL K. ARTHUR FATHER: BENJAMIN FRIMPONG**  
**MOTHER: MARGARET BOATEMAA MOTHER: FAUSTINA AWUAH**

**THEY WILL BE BLESSED THEIR MARRIAGE ON SATURDAY 23RD APRIL, 2016 @ 11:30AM**

#### ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, Sanctify me  
Body of Christ, save me  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me  
O good Jesus, hear me  
Within your wounds, hide me  
Suffer me not to be separated from you  
From the malignant enemy, defend me  
In the hour of my death, call me  
And bid me to come to you, that with your  
Saints I may praise you  
Forever and ever. **Amen**

#### NORTH KANESHIE—POINT 4

**Community:** Holy Spirit  
**Residence:** Bro. John Kwawukume  
**Contact:** Mark Nketia (050-9520112)  
**Direction:** North Kaneshie Point 4, close to Wendy's Inn