

MARRIAGE CORNER

2ND PUBLICATION OF BANNIS

Groom: Joseph Artur-Paintsil **Bride: Theresa Afful**
Father: Arthur-Paintsil **Father: Peter N. Afful**
Mother: Grace Botchway **Mother: Mary Sam**

Groom: James Acquah **Bride: Pearl Kafui Setordzi**
Father: Ohene Kwadwo **Father: Johnson Setordzi**
Mother: Evelyn Boafoa **Mother: Lucy Johnson**

3RD PUBLICATION

Groom: Leynox Kwabena Asare **Bride: Priscilla Boakye**
Father: Francis Nkrumah **Father: Alex Boakye**
Mother: Abena Kumah **Mother: Joana Obeng**

Groom: Emmanuel Arthur **Bride: Cecilia Asford**
Father: Benjamin K. Arthur **Father: John K. Asford**
Mother: Hannah Bassan **Mother: Elizabeth Eshun**

Remember them in prayer

ST. THERESA CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION

Management of St Theresa's Co-operative Credit Union wishes to bring to the attention of its members that a new office manager **Mrs. Adelaide Naa Akushika Awutey** has been employed.

Working hours: 9:30am-6:30pm Mondays to Friday and Sundays after 1st Mass to 2:00pm

All must note and cooperate with her

BEREAVEMENTS

♦ The death is reported of **Mr. Edward Aboagye**, a Parishioner, which sad event occurred on the 12th of August, 2017 at the Korle-bu Teaching Hospital.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

♦ The death is also reported of **Valentina Bannerman**, a brother of Mrs. Elizabeth Moses one of the founding member of the Parish, Usher and member of Knights & Ladies of Marshall who passed away on the 3rd of August, 2017 at the Korle-bu Poly Clinic.

Details of funeral arrangements will be announced later

Let us remember both families in prayers

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT FOR MRS. MARGARET OPOKU

Parishioners who would like to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Opoku, mother of Sr. Edgitha Opoku at Akyem Sekyere on the 26th of August, 2017 should leave their names at the Parish Office or Contact Mr. Nimfah. Transportation is GHC 50.00 per head.

LAITY WEEK CELEBRATION

DETAILED PROGRAM LINE OUT FOR THE LAITY WEEK CELEBRATION

Date	Topic	Paired Groups	Choir/Music
Mon. Aug 28	At the Table of the Lord: The Faithful and the Holy Eucharist	Christian Mothers Ass. & Catholic	Charismatic Renewal Music Ministry
Tue. Aug 29	At the Table of the Lord: Fruits of the Lord's Supper	Knights And Ladies of Marshall & Knights of St. John Int. & Ladies Aux.	Holy Family Music Ministry
Wed. Aug 30	Table Fellowship: Pastoral Care as Eucharistic Ministry	Catholic Charismatic Renewal+ PYC Executives	Mass Choir
Thu. Aug 31	Issues Regarding Lay Participation in Pastoral Care: Why Care?	COSRA & STHEYA	COSRA Music Ministry
Fri. Sep. 1	Lay Participation in Pastoral Care: The Way Forward	Catholic Women Ass. & St Theresa of the Child Jesus	Youth Choir (AYC + French Choir)

ORDINATION!! ORDINATION!! ORDINATION!!

The Catholic Archdiocese of Accra invites all Parishioners to the **Ordination of seven Deacons** into the Holy Priesthood to be conferred by Most Rev. Charles Gabriel Palmer-Buckle.

Rev. Emmanuel D. Appah- St. Francis of Assisi, Awoshie
Rev. Emmanuel Kwofie- Corpus Christi, sakumono
Rev. Dodji K. Gadessodji- St. Kizito Catholic Church, Nima
Rev. Donatus Pallu- Ss. Anne & Joachim, Teshie
Rev. Albert A. Amonzem - Ss. Anne & Joachim, Teshie
Rev. Bright John Fummey- Blessed Clementina, Ashiaman
Rev. Eric S.K. Asagba- Our Lady Star of the Sea, Dansoman

Date: Saturday the 26th of August, 2017.

Time: 9:00am

Venue: Holy Spirit Cathedral

All are cordially invite

COMMERCIAL

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mornings (6:00am):
 Monday, Wednesday
 Thursday & 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 / CONTACT

Tuesday-Saturday: 8am-5pm
 Sunday: 9am-2pm

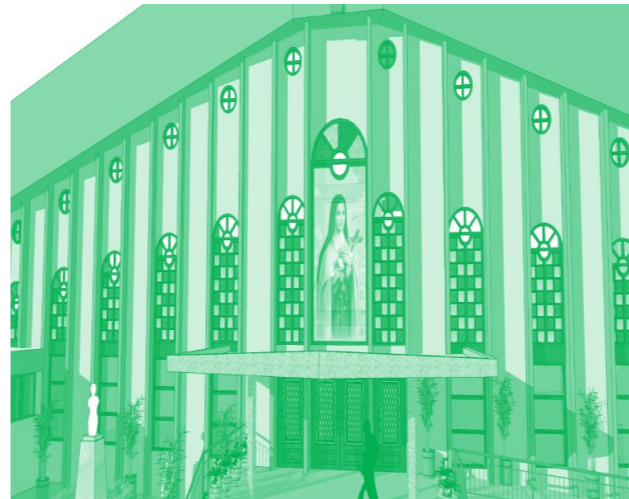
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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY AGUST 20, 2017



COMMENTARY ON READINGS

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 56:1,6-7

The Lord reveals his salvation to all

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 85:9,10,11-12,13-14

O GOD, LET ALL THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU

SECOND READING : ROMANS 9:1-5

God's favor to Israel is irrevocable.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 14:22-23

Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman because of her great faith

PRIESTS

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CONFESSION: SATURDAY 5:00 PM—7:00PM // INFANT BAPTISM: 1ST 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: 0302257357/050-0005252

New Parishioners: You are warmly welcome to St. Theresa Catholic Church, please see a Priest or call the Parish office .

REFLECTION: A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

St. Paul's words addressed to the Romans today is so profound and worth reflecting upon by the modern Christian who seems to be despairing in his faith journey.

"God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice", God's choice of us being his children can never be revoked neither can his gifts be taken away from us. However, it is also true that inasmuch as God has no immediate or whatsoever plans of taking away these, Christians on their part can lose this privilege accorded them by their adoption as children of God.

God in his infinite mercy and love relates with all people who avail themselves to enjoy his unconditional love and friendship. It is because of our need for such immeasurable friendship that we run to him for help like the woman in our Gospel reading today.

CONTINUATION OF REFLECTION

Dearly beloved, one thing that should characterize our friendship with God is our faith in him. Ordinarily, **nobody goes to somebody he/she does not trust for help.** For us, once we seek for that relationship with God, and we run to him for help, it presupposes that we have some amount of trust in him and believe he can help us.

The woman in our gospel trusted in the mercy of Jesus, so she went to see him for help for her little girl. This woman is a good example for us who seek not only for a relationship but also for help. The dialogue that ensued between the two, presupposes that the woman is not a Jew. The author of the gospel we are told wrote for a Jewish community of believers, so in his encounter with a non-Jew, he brings that imagery to back certain comments of Jesus. For instance, Jesus' **reply that he was sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel and not throwing the food of the children to the dogs.**

This often brings out some negative idea that Jesus wasn't fair to the woman. However, we see that she was not so bothered by the tribal sentiments of the day. She was more interested in what she was asking for in order to save her daughter. **It is this persistent expression of faith in Jesus that leads her request to be granted.**

For all who seek for God's friendship and mercy, we should desire for it and express faith always. **The mercy of God is in tandem with our faith in him.** As Christians, we should always seek for a lasting friendship with God expressing our faith in him in order to enjoy his mercy always.

May God give us strength always

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

♦ Rev. Fr. Winfred Charles Lwanga Tawiah Jr. 1st Priesthood anniversary.

Thanksgiving Mass: 27th August, 2017 at 7:00am and 9:30am Masses.

♦ Rev. Fr. Michael Owusu-Ofori 10th Priesthood anniversary

Thanksgiving Mass: 3rd September, 2017 at 7:00am and 9:30am Masses.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following Parishioners should go to the Parish Office for their envelopes.

Ebenezer Ashison	Frederick Boakye
Diana Amponsah	Charity Haywood-Amartey
Selina Nyarko	Vicentia Forson
Clement Amenlema	Theresa Dankwah

AUGUST IS TYPICALLY A MONTH FOR ORDINATION . LET US REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS WHO CELEBRATE THEIR ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH.



DAILY READINGS FROM AUGUST 21— AUGUST 26, 2017

Mon. Aug.21	St. Pius	Jgs.2:11-19;	Ps.106:34-37,39-40,43,44;	Mt.19:16-22
Tue. Aug. 22	Queenhip of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Jgs.6:11-24;	Ps.85:9,11-12,13-14;	Mt.19.23-30
Wed. Aug. 23	St. Rose of Lima	Jgs.9:6-15;	Ps.21:2-3,4-5,6-7;	Mt.20:1-16
Thu. Aug. 24	St. Bartholomew	Rv.21:9-14;	Ps.145:10-13,17-18;	Jn.1:45-51
Fri. Aug. 25	Sts. Louis of France & Joseph Calasanz	Ru.1:1,3-6,14-16,22	Ps.146:5-10	Mt.22:34-40
Sat. Aug 26	St. Alexander	Ru.2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17	Ps.128:1-5	Mt.23:1-12



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 27, 2017

FIRST READING:	ISAIAH 22: 19 -23
RESPONSORIAL:	PSALM 138: 1-2,2-3, 6, 8
SECOND READING:	ROMANS 11:33-36
GOSPEL READING:	MATTHEW 16:13-20



OFFERTORY & BIDDING PRAYERS FOR TODAY SUNDAY AUGUST 20,2017

**1ST MASS: CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ASSOCIATION
2ND MASS: CATHOLIC MEN ASSOCIATION**



OFFERTORY & BIDDING PRAYERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 20, 2017

1ST MASS: COSRA

2ND MASS: KNIGHTS & LADIES OF MARSHALL

COMPOUND CLEANING FOR NEXT SATURDAY IS BY COSRA

OFFERTORY FOR LAST SUNDAY AUGUST 13, 2017

MAIN COLLECTION	GH¢ 5,463.65
ARCBISHOP ANDOH EDUFUND	GH¢ 2,275.00
TITHE	GH¢ 730.00
TOTAL	GH¢ 8,468.65

DO YOU KNOW YOUR BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CENTER? WATCH OUT SOON!!!

2018 PARISH DAIRY OF PROGRAMS

All Societies, Ministries and Councils are being reminded to submit their Program of Activities for 2018 to the Parish Office, latest by **End of September, 2017** for inclusion into the **2018 Parish Dairy.**

<i>Devotional Groups</i>	<i>Ministries</i>
St. Anthony's Guild	Lectors
Perpetual Help Confraternity	Knights and Ladies of the Altar
Sacred Heart Confraternity	Communication Team
St. Anthony's Guild	Ushers
Legion Of Mary	Welcomer's Team
Theresian International	Eucharistic Ministers
St Gabriel's Guild	Catechists
Catholic Charismatic Renewal	Children's Ministry (Children of Mary/Sunday School)
	Outreach & Evangelization
	Marriage and Family Life
<i>Societies</i>	<i>Choirs</i>
Knights & Ladies of Marshall	Angelic Youth
Knights Of St. John Int. & Ladies Aux	St Theresa
Christian Mothers' Association	Harp of David Music Ministry
St. Theresa Of The Child Jesus	Adehyemma Sacred Choral Group
Non Society Group	Immaculate Heart of Mary
Catholic Students Union	
Catholic Organization for Social & Religious Advancement	Committees
St Vincent De Paul	Liturgy
St Theresa Youth Association	Projects
Catholic Women Association	Youth and Vocations
Catholic Men Association	Education & Professional Development
	Health
<i>Communities</i>	<i>Works and Functions</i>
Ewe Community	Welfare
St Francis of Assisi (Nigerian Community)	Harvest and Fundraising
Northern Catholic Society	Security
Holy Family (Akan Kuo)	
Francophone Community	Councils
	Parish Youth
	Laity
	Catholic Women

HEALTH CONNER-KIDNEY DISEASE

Kidney challenges are not just for those with diabetes, as the ailment previously carried. It's an unfortunate fact that many people suffering from chronic kidney issues just don't know it; that's because early symptoms are more subtle than most, only truly manifesting when disease has progressed. While it's important to note some common symptoms and signs of kidney issues, it's equally important to remember that only your doctor can correctly diagnose any kidney problems.

Here are the 10 signs and symptoms of kidney disease:

1. Urination Changes

The kidneys are responsible for handling urine, so it makes sense that urine will start to change if the kidneys are failing. Some examples of urination changes include:

- Urine comes out bubbly or foamy
- Urine may have traces of blood
- You may have the overwhelming urge to urinate during the night, waking up
- Urination occurs more often and appears pale
- Urination occurs less often and appears dark
- You may have difficulty attempting to urinate

2.Fatigue

The kidneys are responsible for producing a specific hormone called erythropoietin (EPO). This hormone is responsible for instructing the body to produce red blood cells, which are meant to carry oxygen throughout the body. If the kidneys start to fail, they will make less EPO, which means fewer hormones are directing the body to produce the necessary amount of red blood cells. At the end of this cycle, you're left feeling very tired and weakened throughout the day. Experiencing fatigue even when you seem to get enough sleep at night is one symptom that the kidneys are not producing enough hormones for your body.

3.Swelling

Because of the way the kidneys interact with the body and handle the process of urination, they also are largely responsible for removing the extra fluid within your body. Kidneys that are starting to fail won't get rid of that fluid as well as they should. As a result, it stays inside the body and while it's in the body, it has to go somewhere; the fluid starts filling in pocketed areas. You may experience swelling in one or both ankles, the legs, the face, hands, as well as feet. While the swelling can be mild, it can also swell to difficult stages; for instance, it might be hard to wear a regular shoe.

4.Nausea

Healthy kidneys also take on the role of the body's personal trash process; that is, they're responsible for getting rid of waste in the body. In the event of kidney problems or failure, waste won't exit the body as efficiently as before, causing a buildup of excess waste in the bloodstream. This is known as uremia, and it can cause feelings of nausea or make you need to vomit. It should go without saying that your body doesn't like being filled with waste, and it attempts to purge the waste by way of vomiting.

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