

MARRIAGE CORNER

1ST 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**

3RD PUBLICATION OF BANNS

Groom: Moses Franklin **Bride: Mary Adjei**
Kobbie **Sarfowaah**
Father: John Kobbie **Father: Anthony Adjei Sarpong**
Mother: Agnes Mensah **Mother: Georgina Adjei Sarpong**

Remember them in prayer

ADEHYEMMA SACRED CHORAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

Rev. Bro. Pius Agyemang and the Adehyemma Sacred Choral Group is organizing an **African Sacred Choral Music Festival** to uplift the hearts of the people of God, bless and dedicate their new Choir robes on Saturday the 19th of August, 2017 at the Parish, time is 1:00pm.

The following day Sunday, there will be a Thanksgiving Mass and Special Appeal for Funds to aid in the purchase of Musical Instruments.

We have the greatest joy to cordially invite all Parishioners to come celebrate with us.

HISTORY AND PURPOSE OF THE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

The Catholic Church usually organizes **Eucharistic Congress** every four (4) years internationally with specific themes to help the Church reflect on her life. Ghana since 1951 has organized three (3) such Congresses, first in February 1951 at Kumasi, second in January 1988 at Tamale and again in November 2005 at Kumasi. The next Congress (The 4th One) will be held here in **Jasikan from the 7th to the 13th of August, 2017.**

What is Eucharistic Congress? **A Eucharistic Congress** is a celebration of the Catholic Church which brings the people of God together specifically for the following reasons:

- ◆ To create an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Catholic Church.
- ◆ To pray and adore the Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.
- ◆ To help and improve our understanding of the celebration of the Eucharist
- ◆ To draw our attention to the Social dimension of the Eucharist.
- ◆ To use the centrality of the Eucharist to effect integral transformation.

Let us all endeavor to be part of this years Eucharist congress to receive the blessing that come along with it.

KNOLTA WEEK CELEBRATION

DATE	ACTIVITIES	TIME
Sun. 6 Aug, 2017	Launching at Both Masses & Indoor Games	7am
Mon. 7 Aug, 2017	Talk -Session on Serving -Ex Mass Server	5pm
Tue. 8 Aug 2017	Addictions & how to overcome them -Boys Boys & Girls Girls session	4pm
Wed. 9 Aug 2017	Cooking Competition	1pm
Thur. 10 Aug 2017	Entertainment Night	2pm
Fri. 11 Aug, 2017	Youth Mass	6:30 pm
Sat. 12 th Aug, 2017	Servers day	7am
Sun. 13 th Aug, 2017	Servers Week Climax - Thanksgiving Mass	7am

BEREAVEMENTS

- ◆ The death is reported of Mrs Frances Doe Sallah (Nee Adadevoh) Mamaga Miedoafe II whose peaceful call occurred on Thursday 27th April, 2017 in Accra. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

Wednesday August 16,2017: Vigil at St. Theresa Parish Kaneshie at 6pm. The Attire is Black.

Thursday August 17,2017: Mass at Holy Spirit Cathedral, Laying in state and Pre burial Mass at 7:30am, Burial mass at 9:30am and the attire is White and Purple. The Body will be transferred to Anyako immediately after mass.

Friday August 18,2017: Burial Mass at Roman Catholic Church, Anyako at 9am and Interment at Efe. The Attire is Black and Red.

Sunday August 20,2017: Thanksgiving Mass at St. Theresa Catholic Church, Kaneshie at 9:30 am. Final funeral Rites at Trade Fair Site (Events Haven) Accra. Attire is White and Gold.

All Friends and sympathizers are cordially invited

- ◆ The death is reported of **Mr Bernard Kwesi Amoah** father of **Mrs Anita Quist**, which sad event occurred on the 2nd of July 2017 at Sycamore Hospital at Takoradi. Funeral arrangements is as follows :

Saturday, 12th August, 2017: Burial and Thanksgiving Mass at **Star Of The Sea Cathedral Catholic Church, Takoradi** at 9am. Filing past is from 7:45am -8:45am. Interment will take place at the Kwesimintsim Cemetery. Funeral rites follows at the Cathedral grounds. Attire is Black and White
You are all cordially invited to mourn with the family.

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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
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ST. THERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Purity & Love

WEEKLY BULLETIN

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

SUNDAY AGUST 6, 2017



COMMENTARY ON READINGS

FIRST READING: DANIEL 7:9-10,13-14
The prophet Daniel describes his vision of one like the Son of Man who received dominion from God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 97:1-2,5-6,9
THE LORD IS KING, THE MOST HIGH OVER ALL THE EARTH.

SECOND READING : 2 PETER 1:16-19
Peter says that the voice heard from Heaven confirmed the truth of his testimony about Christ.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 17:1-9
Jesus is transfigured on the mountain.

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: "COME AND EAT"

In the first reading of today's liturgy, the Prophet Isaiah uses an imperative word "**Come**", which from the Hebrew "**Halak**" means to "**walk, go or accompany**". The Prophet uses the word "Come" with the intention of inviting the people to a feast.

However, we should note that this invitation is to those who hunger and thirst for God, and want to enjoy his abundance. The imperative "Come" as used by the Prophet, demands a response from those to whom it is addressed. The one to whom this invitation is extended, needs no money or whatsoever but just a **Response**. This is rightly so because, it is He the Lord who fills the Hungry with good things and sends the rich away empty. Cf Luke 1:53.

Dearly beloved, the invitation to Come and Eat is not to be seen as merely coming and eating. The Prophet in verse 3, will add "**Pay attention and Come to me; listen, that you may have life**".

CONTINUATION OF REFLECTION

Why will he add this after having assured us of the abundance of what is in stock? It is because, *man spends on things that do not satisfy him spiritually.* The Prophet would state further in verse 2 that we should only listen to God, and we shall have our fill and we will delight in what we have been fed with.

Dearly beloved, our world today offers us so many nice and pleasurable things which do not satisfy our thirst for God. Today, we have the opportunity to decide for ourselves whether to respond to the invitation to a free feast of God's abundance or go in search of and waste our resources on things that do not satisfy our thirst for God to "Come and Eat".

Our second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans, cautions us of the need not to allow anything come between us and the love of Christ. What the Lord gives us and invites us to, cannot be compared with what the world offers us. *Hence, the need for us to respond to the ultimate call extended to us by God.*

Lastly, in our Gospel reading, the popular story of Jesus feeding five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish is recounted. This might seem to us, a popular story but "Faith provoking". It is rightly so because, if He today invites you to "Come and Eat", what is the assurance that He can do what He is saying? He says you do not need money to buy what you have to Come and Eat, what is the assurance?

The Lord provides for us all our needs and all that He provides for us is more than enough. Today, I invite you to reflect on the invitation "*Come and Eat*", and as you do so, please look also at the faith of the disciples who presented five loaves of bread and two fish resulting in the feeding of five thousand men. My assurance to you dearly beloved is that the Lord will do it for you too, if only you would believe and Come and Eat.

May God give us strength always.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ The Sacred Heart of Jesus Confraternity will hold their Monthly General Meeting for August today Sunday the 6th of August after 2nd mass. The Kaneshie Deanery Executive will be present to have an important discussion with us. All Apostles must endeavour to attend.
- ◆ There will be a Laity Council Meeting next Sunday on the 13th of August at the Conference Room. All Vice Presidents and Representatives must attend.



DAILY READINGS FROM AUGUST 7— AUGUST 12, 2017

Mon. Aug.7 Nm.11:4-15;	St. Sixtus & Comp. Ps. 81:12-13,14-15,16-17; Mt.14:13-21
Tue. Aug. 8 Nm.12:1-13;	St. Dominic Ps.51:3-4,5-7,12-13; Mt. 14:22-36/ Mt.15:1-2,10-14
Wed. Aug. 9 Nm.13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35;	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Ps.106:6-7,13-14; Mt. 15:21-28
Thu. Aug. 10 2Cor.9:6-10	St. Lawrence Ps.112:1-2,5-9; Jn.12:24-26
Fri. Aug. 11 Dt.4:32-40	St. Clare Ps.77:12-13,14-16 Mt.16:24-28
Sat. Aug 12 Dt.6:4-13;	St. Jane Frances de Chantel Ps.18:2-4,47, 51 Mt.17:14-20



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 13, 2017

FIRST READING:	1KINGS 19:9,11-13
RESPONSORIAL:	PSALM 85:9,10,11-12,13-14
SECOND READING:	ROMANS 9:1-5
GOSPEL READING:	MATTHEW 14:22-33



OFFERTORY & BIDDING PRAYERS FOR TODAY SUNDAY AUGUST 6,2017

1ST MASS: ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

2ND MASS:SACRED HEART CONFRATERNITY



OFFERTORY & BIDDING PRAYERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 13, 2017

1ST MASS: STHEYA & KNOLTA

2ND MASS: ST. GABRIEL'S GUILD

COMPOUND CLEANING FOR NEXT SATURDAY IS BY

ANGELIC YOUTH CHOIR

OFFERTORY FOR LAST SUNDAY JULY 30, 2017

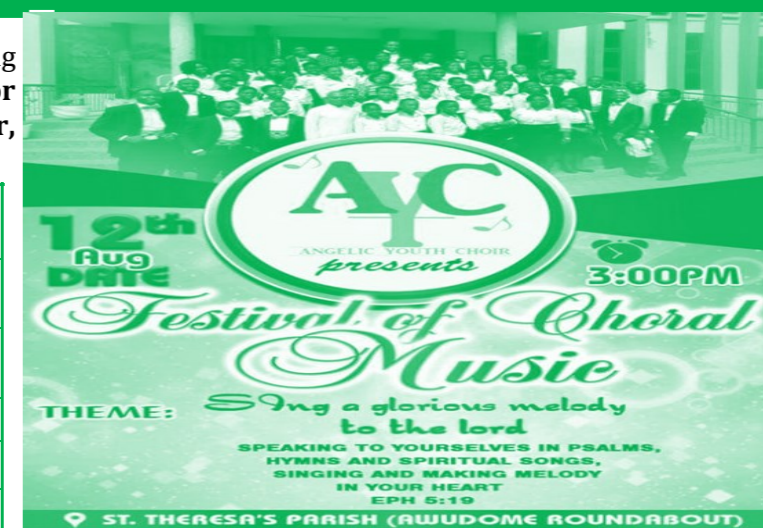
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SECAM	GH¢ 2,878.00
TITHE	GH¢ 526.00
TOTAL	GH¢ 8,308.60

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

All Societies, Ministries & 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 Diary**.

Devotional Groups	Ministries
St. Anthony's Guild	Knights and Ladies of the Altar
Perpetual Help Confraternity	Lectors
Sacred Heart Confraternity	Communication Team
St. Anthony's Guild	Ushers
Legion Of Mary	Welcomers Team
Theresian International	Eucharistic Ministers
St Gabriel's Guild	Catechists
Catholic Charismatic Renewal	Children's Ministry(Children of Mary/Sunday School)
	Marriage and Family Life
Societies	Choirs
Knights & Ladies of Marshall	Angelic Youth
Knights Of St. John Int. & Ladies Aux	St Theresa
Christian Mothers' Association	Immaculate Heart of Mary
St. Theresa Of The Child Jesus	Adehyemma Sacred Choral Group
Non Society Group	Harp of David Music Ministry
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
Communities	Works and Functions
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

AYC FESTIVAL OF CHORAL MUSIC



DATE	ACTIVITIES	TOPICS
Sun. Aug 6	Launching	Sing a Glorious Melody to the Lord. (Eph 5:19)
Mon. Aug 7	Fasting and Prayers	For the Spiritual Development of the Choir and the Success of the Program
Tue. Aug 8	Talk	The Youth and Music in Propagating God's Word (Rev. Fr. Michael Owusu-Ofori)
Wed. Aug 9	Music Work shop	Understanding Music (Mr. Isaac Annoh)
Fri. Aug 11	Talk	Music and Catholic Liturgy (Rev.Fr. Emmanuel Duku)
Sat. Aug 12	Festival of Choral Music	Festival of Choral Music— 3pm
Sun. Aug 13	Thanksgiving Mass	Both Masses

SOLEMNITY OF ASSUMPTION

Tuesday, 15th August is the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will begin at 6pm with a Rosary procession within the compound, ending at the Grotto and will be led by Catholic Women Association. In attendance will be The St. Theresa Choir and Harp of David Music Ministry. Offertory and Bidding Prayers will be taken by the Catholic Women Association.

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.