

MAY- ROSARY MONTH



We are reminded that May is our Rosary month and we are encouraged to intensify our Rosary prayers in this month.

Communal Rosary prayers from Monday to Thursday. Sunday is for family Rosary Prayers.

Below is the Schedule.

Day/Date	Rosary Prayers	Prayers By	Marian Songs By	Singing for Mass	Mass Time	Prayer Intention for the Week
Sun. 27th				Family Rosary		For the Church Community , Purity & Love, for all our Intentions and specially thanking God for His Goodness to us.
Mon.28th	6:00 pm	Akan Kuo Society	Akan Kuo Society	Mass Choir	6.30 pm	
Tue.29th	6:00 pm	Northern Catholic Society	Northern Catholic Society	Holy family Society	6.30 pm	
Wed.30th	6:00 pm	Legion of Mary	St. Theresa Choir		6.30 am	
Thu.31st	6:00 pm	Feast of Visitation	Christian Mothers	Immaculate Heart of Mary	6.30 pm	Crowning of Blessed Virgin Mary by Christian Mothers

MASS PRIESTLY ORDINATION 2018

The **Mass Priestly Ordination** of the 125th Anniversary celebration comes of as follows:

Date: Saturday, 25th August 2018

Venue: Holy Spirit Cathedral Compound, Adabraka - Accra

Time: 9:00am.

Let us continue praying for our yet to be ordained Priests.

2018 FATHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS

The **Empaul Foundation** invites all our beloved Fathers and their families to this years Fathers Day Celebration. The Theme for the event is "**Restoring the Glory of our Fathers**". The line up of events are as follows

Saturday 2nd June at 4pm-7pm: Fathers Conference at the Parish Hall. **Topics include** Fatherhood, Challenges and how to manage them, Managing your finances in the home.

Saturday 16th June at 5.30am-10am: Activities: Health Walk from Awudome Roundabout to Bubuashie to St. Theresa School, Free Prostrate Cancer Screening, NHIS registration & Renewal, Free Barbering, Manicure & Pedicure, Fruits Agape.

Sunday 17th June at 5pm Fathers Day Celebration at the Parish Hall. **Activities:** Drama, Comedy, It takes two, Family Dance Competition, Special Family Giveaway & Family Photo Shoot etc.

Expected Resource Persons Include: Mr. Kenneth Ashibgey, Rev. Owusu Ansah (Joy FM), Mr. Azumah Nelson, Uncle Ebo Whyte.

Amazing Daddy Story Competition.

Write at most 500 words telling how amazing your father is to you and the family to win a special award, treat from Holiday Inn hotel and an honoree for you dad. Send your entries to empaul.foundation@gmail.com or post to NK 280, North-Kaneshie. or watsup the letter in PDF to 0203300832.

125TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O Almighty and Eternal God, Divine Architect and Cornerstone of our salvation, as we celebrate 125 years of the Catholic Mission in Accra, we give You thanks for the lives of all the early Missionaries, Priests and Lay faithful whose sacrifices have brought our Church this far.

We pray you look with favour upon our Community of Faith, now the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra. Increase the gifts you have given to our Church so that we, your faithful People, Religious and Clergy, Women and Men, Youth and Children may grow in holiness of life and be truly ardent disciples of Your Son, Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Inspire us anew with a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and fill us with renewed zeal for the universal Church's new evangelization mission here in our Archdiocese and beyond.

May the Holy and triune God be our pillar of strength, our inspiration and our guide in the years ahead, through Christ our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for us.

St. Peter Claver, Pray for us

St. Martin de Porres, Pray for us.

All you Holy Martyrs of Uganda, Pray for us.

All you Angels and Saints of God, Pray for us.

EVANGELISM MINISTRY CALLING

The **Evangelism Ministry** in the Parish invites all Parishioners who have the desire to share the word of God with others to its meeting today after 1st Mass at the 2nd floor of the Parish Hall.

THERESIAN INTERNATIONAL CALLING

Theresian International has scheduled their meeting days to the 2nd Sunday of every month after 2nd Mass. All members who meet on Tuesdays should kindly take note.



ST. THERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Purity & Love

WEEKLY BULLETIN

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

27TH MAY, 2018.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2018.

"EVANGELIZATION - THE MISSION OF LAITY"

THAT THE LAY FAITHFUL MAY FULFILL THEIR SPECIFIC MISSION, BY RESPONDING WITH CREATIVITY TO THE CHALLENGES THAT FACE THE WORLD TODAY.

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SUNDAY MASS

1st Mass: 7.00am
Youth Mass: 7.30am
2nd Mass: 9.30am
French Mass: 10.00am

WEEK DAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday
Thursday 6 am
Saturday 6.30 am
Tuesday & Friday 6.30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday: 8am-5pm, Sunday: 9am-2pm
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HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

REFLECTION: GOD REVEALS HIMSELF BY HIS WORKS.

By his actions, God has revealed Himself to us and shown us his love, goodness and mercy. For us to continue to receive this from him, we have to keep to his revealed law; keeping to his commandment and remaining faithful to it. Our Psalmist today calls our attention to who we truly are as Christians. **God chose us to be his children.** In Christ, God chose us to imitate his son. **Everyone of us is chosen by God, but do we know that we are a chosen people?** Some of us do not even want to be children of God. For those who do not know they are chosen by God to be his children, we are to help them come to that realization. Those who do not want to be children of God, need our good example as Christians.

In our first reading today, Moses recounted the good, the Lord had done for Israel. For us who today are called children of God, we ask ourselves, **what good has the Lord done for us?** He has done good for us by using the Holy Spirit to lead us to himself. He blesses us with life and saves us and sanctifies us by using the Holy Spirit. He makes us his children by adoption and gives us the power to call him ' **Abba**'. As Christians why should we glorify God? We should glorify him because he is what he does. Creator who creates out of nothing but love, Son who lays down his life to save his own, and Holy Spirit who sanctifies and empowers us to call God, Our Father. As Christians we glorify him through our contemplation of truth, and our good deeds, even when we are to suffer for it. Lastly, in the Eucharist, we glorify him by our gifts of prayer, and praise. In this same Eucharist, God also glorifies us by giving us his Son and the Holy Spirit.

The gospel sums up all that we need to do and know about God. We are being commissioned as disciples to all nations and we are to introduce others who will come to believe in the gospel to a life with and in the Holy Trinity. This call is extended to all of us, so we can bring the message of salvation to the doorstep of people. May God give us strength always.

DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY TRINITY

At the core of our Catholic faith is the mystery of the Trinity, and the invitation for us to participate in this divine life (Homiletic Directory §21). This reality about God is revealed and man's salvation is effected through the Paschal Mystery (HD §21), which is re-presented in this Mass.

What is revealed about God?

There is only one God. Yet within this one God there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Jesus reveals that God "is Father not only in being Creator; he is eternally Father in relation to his only Son, who is eternally Son only in relation to his Father: 'No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him' (Mt 11:27)" (CCC 240).

This is why "the apostles confess Jesus to be the Word: 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God'; as 'the image of the invisible God'; as the 'radiance of the glory of God and the very stamp of his nature' (Jn 1:1; Col 1:15; Heb 1:3)" (CCC 241).

This is why, "following this apostolic tradition" the Church calls the Son "consubstantial with the Father, that is, one only God with him" (CCC 242).

And, as we will affirm in the Creed, the Holy Spirit "proceeds from the Father and the Son." To explain, "The Holy Spirit is eternally from Father and Son; He has his nature and subsistence at once (simul) from the Father and the Son. He proceeds eternally from both as from one principle and through one inspiration.... And, since the Father has through generation given to the only-begotten Son everything that belongs to the Father, except being Father, the Son has also eternally from the Father, from whom he is eternally born, that the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Son." (CCC 246).

As the Athanasian Creed summarizes this: "The Father is made of none, neither created nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone; not made nor created, but begotten. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son; neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding."

One very accessible image we have of the Blessed Trinity is the human family.

Like the Father, "In the procreation and education of children [the family] reflects the Father's work of creation.

Like the Son, the family "is called to partake of the prayer and sacrifice of Christ. Daily prayer and the reading of the Word of God strengthen it in charity.

And like the Holy Spirit, "the Christian family has an evangelizing and missionary task." (CCC 2205) "The Christian family is a communion of persons, a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit."

Practical application: Devotion to the Blessed Trinity

This week we can make the Sign of the Cross and pray the Doxology with more awareness and gratitude for what the Blessed Trinity has done for us and with longing to see these divine persons face to face.

We can also mediate on how our families—whether families of birth or of marriage—was, is, or could better an image of the Blessed Trinity.



READINGS FOR TODAY SUNDAY 27TH MAY, 2018.

1ST READING: DEUTRONOMY 4:32-34,39-40.
Moses teaches the people that Yahweh is the only God.

RESPONSORIAL: PSALM 32:4-6,9,18-20,22
BLESSED THE PEOPLE THE LORD HAS CHOSEN TO BE HIS OWN.

2ND READING: ROMANS 8:14-17
Through the Spirit, we have been adopted as children of God.

GOSPEL MATTHEW 28:16-20
Jesus sends his disciples to make disciples of all nations.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY MAY 20, 2018

MAIN COLLECTION	GH¢ 5,631.45
WELFARE	GH¢ 2,327.00
THANKSGIVING	GH¢ 390.00
TOTAL	GH¢ 8,348.45

COMPOUND CLEANING SCHEDULE

DATE	SOCIETY
Sat. 2nd Jun.	KNOLTA & AYC
Sat. 9th Jun.	CASU & WELCOMERS
Sat. 16th Jun.	Catholic Charismatic Renewal

OFFERTORY & BIDDING PRAYERS SCHEDULE

DATE	1ST MASS	2ND MASS
SUN. 27th May	St. Michael Ewe Union	Sacred Heart Confraternity
SUN. 3rd Jun.	COSRA, STHEYA, AYC, CASU, Welcomers, Francophone Comm Children of Mary.	By Ewe Union, Northern Society, Akan kuo, Ebiemo Comm, Nigerian Comm.
SUN. 10th Jun.	Anchor of Hope Society	Welcomers' Ministry
SUN. 17th Jun	Christian Mothers Association	St. Anthony's Guild

125TH ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE-UPCOMING

Date	Activity	Schedule
June 125th Ann.	Abhor Week	Care for the Environment

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DECEASED: Madam Susana Attah-Tetteh a Parishioner who passed away on Monday the 16th of April, 2018. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

Burial Mass: Saturday 16th June, 2018 at St. Theresa Catholic Church at 8am. File past begins at 7am. Interment at Senya Breku Catholic Cemetery.

Thanksgiving Mass: Sunday, 17th June, 2018. here at the Parish at 9.30am.

DECEASED: Mrs. Paulina Adotevi Akoe Nee Nkegbe. who passed away on the 4th of April, 2018.

Wake Keeping: Friday, 22nd June, 2018 at Denu Fiafeme (The Chief's Palace).

Burial & Thanksgiving Mass: Saturday 23rd June, 2018, at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Dq enu at **9.00am**. Interment at Denu Dzudzor Vava Borme. Final funeral Rites continuous at Denu Fiafeme (The Chief's Palace)

DECEASED: Mr. Daniel Antwi-Buasiako, a member of STHEYA and Ushers Ministry. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

Laying in State: Saturday 23rd June from 5am to 7am at his residence 1st Owusu Kofi Link Darkuman near Attu Clinic.

Burial Mass: Saturday 23rd June, 2018 at St. Theresa Catholic Church at 8.30am. File past begins at 7.30am. Funeral rites continues at the Church premises.

Thanksgiving Mass: Sunday, 24th June, 2018. here at the Parish at 9.30am. Final funeral rites continues at his residence 1st Owusu Kofi Link Darkuman near Attu Clinic.

DECEASED: Mrs. Monica Adwoa Ode-Poku, a Parishioner and member of the St. Theresa Choir. Funeral arrangements are as follows.

Wake keeping: Thursday 28th June at her residence opposite Lord's Hotel near TV Africa, Accra.

Burial Mass: Friday 29th June, 2018 at St. Theresa Catholic Church at 9am. File past begins at 8am followed by interment at Awudome Cemetery.

Thanksgiving Mass: Sunday, 1st July, 2018. here at the Parish at 9.30am.

All are cordially invited to mourn with the families

MARRIAGE SCHOOL COUNSELLING

All Parishioners are being reminded that the next session of **Marriage counselling (July—December)** is open for registration. Kindly contact the Parish Office for forms.

The cost is **25Ghc per person.**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

♦ **Holy Hour Adoration/Abusua Praise:** Thursday 31st May at 6pm.

♦ **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 1st May from 6am to 6pm & MyfaithMyLife Series at 6.30pm.

♦ **Infant baptism & Instructions:** Thursday 31st May & Friday 1st June at 5pm.

♦ **Grotto Devotion:** Saturday 1st June at 2:30 pm at OLA

♦ **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christy):** Sunday the 3rd of June. There will be the usual Masses (First, Second and Youth) except French Mass.

125TH ANNIVERSARY CLOTH OUT FOR SALE

The Cloth to be used for the 125th Anniversary celebration is ready. It has no specific year embossed on it thus it would be used as an Archdiocesan cloth from now onwards.

Prices

Full Piece: Ghc 240.00

Half Piece: Ghc 120.00

Please make payment at the Parish Office for your order.

NB. The cloth will not be sold out to individuals at the Bursars office.

HEALTH SCREENING FOR WOMEN

As part of the Woman's month celebration, the Women Council in collaboration with the Health Committee of St. Theresa Parish is organizing a Cervical Cancer Screening for women who are 25years and above.

Rate for Screening are as follows.

25 to 45 years: ghc **60.00** for VIA cervical Screening

45 years and above: ghc **130.00** for Pap Smear.

Please register your name at the Parish Office, or with any of the Catholic Women Council Executives.

ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to inform all that **Most Rev. Charles G. Palmer-Buckle**, Metropolitan Archbishop of Cape Coast and Apostolic Administrator of the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra, will take Canonical Possession of the Archdiocese of Cape Coast as follows:

Date: Thursday, 5th July 2018

Venue: St. Francis de Sales Cathedral, Cape Coast

Time: 10:00am

All are invited.

Please let us continue to pray for Archbishop Palmer-Buckle and for the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra. May the maternal solicitude of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, be our help and guide in the days ahead. **Amen.**