

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

➔ Funeral arrangements for the Late **Md. Mary Owusuaah**;
Saturday 1st Sept. 2018 - Burial Mass at St. Patrick Catholic Church – Atebubu, Brong Ahafo Region at 9:00am followed by internment and funeral rites at Atebubu.
Sunday 2nd Sept. 2018 - Memorial Thanksgiving at St. Patrick Catholic Church – Atebubu, Brong Ahafo Region at 9:00am. The late Md. Mary Owusuaah was the mother of **Mr. Frank Boakye-Yiadom** (Knights and Ladies of Marshall, Christian Fathers' Assoc. & Cathedral Ushers Group)

➔ Funeral arrangements for the late **Mr. Aloysius Kwaku BeduKobi**;
Saturday 8th Sept. 2018 - Burial Mass & final funeral rites at St. Peters Catholic Church – Vakpo
The late Aloysius Kwaku BeduKobi was the father of Bernice Anku and Vivian Anku – parishioners and members of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Confraternity.

➔ Funeral arrangements for the late **Mr. Bernard Bonin**;
Friday 7th September 2018: The body will be laid at the Holy Spirit Cathedral for reading of tributes and filing past from 7:00 a.m. followed by burial Mass at 9:00a.m. Internment will take place at Osu Cemetery followed by final funeral rites on the Cathedral grounds.
Sunday 9th September 2018: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass at the Holy Spirit Cathedral - 9:30am
The late **Bernard Bonin** was a parishioner and the brother of Mad. Leticia Bonin (member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Confraternity).

➔ Funeral arrangements for the late **Rosemary Kokor Adjor**;
Friday 7th September 2018: There will be wake-keeping at Pigfarm – Ebony Down Road
Saturday 8th September 2018: The body will be laid at the Holy Spirit Cathedral for reading of tributes and filing past from 7:00 a.m. followed by burial Mass at 9:00a.m. Internment will take place at Osu Cemetery followed by final funeral rites on the Cathedral grounds.

HOLY SPIRIT CATHEDRAL

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Rev. Fr. Raphael Atta Donkor

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Fr. Blaise Bobbie Attachie (*In Residence*)

Sundays: 7:00am, 9:00am and 630pm

Weekdays - Monday to Friday: 6:15am, 12:15pm and 5:30pm

Saturdays: 6:15am only.

Please Note: *Friday Evening is Youth Mass at 6pm*

French Mass - Every Third Sunday of the month at 5:00pm

Infant Baptism: First Saturday of every month

Confession: Every Saturday from 4:00pm to 7:00pm

Hour of Grace: Once a month

SLOGAN: **Holy Spirit ... Power and Action**

Sunday 9th September 2018: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass at the Holy Spirit Cathedral - 9:30am
The late **Rosemary Korkor Adjor** was a parishioner and the sister of **Md. Theresa Adjor**.

➔ Funeral arrangements for the late **Charles Kofi Sepenya Sallah**;
Saturday 8th September 2018: The body will be laid at the Holy Spirit Cathedral for reading of tributes and filing past from 7:00 a.m. followed by burial Mass at 9:00a.m. Internment will take place at La Public Cemetery followed by final funeral rites at Holy Spirit Cathedral Parish Hall
Sunday 9th September 2018: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass at the Holy Spirit Cathedral - 7:00am
The late **Charles Kofi Sepenya Sallah** was a parishioner and the son of Mrs. Theresia Desewu Sallah – Knights and Ladies of Marshall & Cherubim Choir.

➔ Funeral arrangements for the late **Michael Appietu Twum-Barima**;
Saturday 22nd September 2018: The body will be laid at the Holy Spirit Cathedral for reading of tributes and filing past from 7:00 a.m. followed by burial Mass at 9:00a.m. Internment will take place at Osu Cemetery followed by final funeral rites on the Cathedral grounds.
Sunday 23rd September 2018: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass – Holy Spirit Cathedral at 9:30am

The late **Michael Appietu Twum-Barima** was a parishioner, member of the Knights and Ladies of St. John International and St. Anthony's Guild.

May their souls rest in peace!!!

LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT

Are you in need of an executive live-in Nanny with an early Child Care Skills and experienced to fit into your family? Please contact: 0550408726 or email: sconconcepts@gmail.com.

GINA'S CAKES & PASTRIES

Call 0271692215/0551291257 and order Cakes for your Weddings, Birthdays, Parties and for all occasions. You can also order for Ice Cream Cake.

DAILY READINGS

☐ MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2018

St. Monica (Memorial)

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12 / Psalms 96:1-5 / Matthew 23:13-22

☐ TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2018

St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3, 14-17 / Psalms 96:10-13 / Matthew 23:23-26

■ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2018

The Passion of St. John the Baptist (Memorial)

Jeremiah 1:17-19 / Psalms 71:1-6, 15, 17 / Mark 6:17-29

■ THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 2018

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 / Psalms 145:2-7 / Matthew 24:42-51

■ FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2018

1 Corinthians 1:17-25 / Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 / Matthew 25:1-13

☐ SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

First Saturday, Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Corinthians 1:26-31 / Psalms 33:12-13, 18-21 / Matthew 25:14-30

■ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 / Psalms 15:2-5 /

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 / Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Holy Spirit... Power & Action!!!
Let us Be... In the Spirit!!!

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS AUGUST – 2018
Universal: The treasure of Families
That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.



Reaching – Out

a bulletin of the Holy Spirit Cathedral Conference of St. Vincent de Paul

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
26TH AUGUST, 2018

CONGRATULATIONS

REV. FR. PRINCE MARFO

The Administration and the entire Cathedral Community is proud of you for how far the Lord has brought you. On the occasion of your priestly ordination to the Holy Priesthood, we express gratitude to God and extend our best wishes of God's manifold blessings upon your priestly ministry.

We also express our gratitude to all who supported you as benefactors throughout your seminary formation.
God bless you all!

THANKSGIVING MASS ORDER OF PROCESSION

1. Cross Bearer
2. Children Service
3. General Congregation
4. Brass Band
5. Ga Community
6. Northern Community
7. Nigeria Community
8. Akan Community
9. Priest (pick up)
10. Mass Choir
11. French Community
12. Ewe Community

THINGS TO KNOW AS A CATHOLIC

(Continued from last week)

11. WHY IS THERE A COLLECTION (OFFERING) AT MASS?

The custom of sending a plate round after the General Intercessions (Prayer of the faithful) at Mass to collect the monetary contributions of the faithful is not just for the purpose of obtaining funds for the expenses of the clergy. Its origin comes from very spiritual motions.

In the early church, after the prayer of the faithful, bread and wine were brought to the altar, these were the elements used by Christ when he instituted the Holy Eucharist. These were offered to God as elements to be set apart for the sacrifice, in keeping with the general practice of dedicating to God what was used for his service.

Bread and wine as a staple food, symbolized life. The offering of bread and wine was thus a symbolic way by which those assisting at Mass made an offering of themselves with Christ offered in the Eucharistic Sacrifice. After the 10th century, the practice of offering bread and wine by the people gradually ceased. St. Peter Damian of the 11th Century (1007 – 1072) expressly mentioned that people gave money instead of bread and wine. The symbolism however remained the same. It was obviously because bringing bread and wine to church was impractical and cumbersome that it was given up and replaced by the more convenient offering of money.

It should be remembered however that the collection of contributions of money at Mass replaces and represents the former offering of bread and wine which had a deep spiritual meaning.

FREE REMEDIAL CLASSES

1. **Peace!** The Catholic Institute of Business and Technology (CIBT) is offering FREE Remedial classes in Core Math for all Nov/Dec candidates
Schedule: **Date:** 3rd July – 31st August, 2018. **Time:** 10:00am – 12:00 noon **Days:** Mon – Wed
Venue: CIBT campus, adjacent Teachers Hall, Adabraka.
Registration/Inquiries call: 0244162219/0575033547/0307033547



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ACCRA 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 to 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!



Readings & Reflections

THE HOLY ONE OF GOD

Today, as we celebrate the marriage feast of Christ with his church, we consciously choose him who is the Holy One of God.

1ST READING: JOSHUA 24:1 – 2a, 15 – 17

We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 34:1 – 2, 15 – 16, 17 – 18, 19 – 20 & 21 – 22

R/... Taste and see that the Lord is good!

I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad. R/...

The Lord turns his eyes to the just,
and his ears are open to their cry.
The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth. R/...

When the just cry out, the Lord hears,
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
Those whose spirit is crushed he will save. R/...

Many are the trials of the just man,
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.
He will keep guard over all his bones;
not one of his bones shall be broken. R/...

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 5:21 – 32

This mystery has many implications for Christ and his Church.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:60 – 69

Who shall we go to? you have the message of eternal life.

SHORT REFLECTION

Today's readings invite us to a meal – but this is no ordinary meal and no ordinary invitation. In words which challenge us as they did those first disciples. Jesus offers himself to us not merely as dinner companion, but as our very food and drink.

Here we have the Incarnation in a nutshell. Jesus transforms bread and wine, the ordinary stuff of human stuff of human sustenance, into his own body and blood which he offers as our spiritual food and drink. The level of intimacy with God to which we are called every time we gather around the Eucharistic table is an awesome gift which we should never take for granted, but welcome with a humble and grateful heart.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

5th August 2018 – Thanksgiving

12th August 2018 – 125th Anniversary Collection

19th August 2018 – Welfare collection

26th August 2018 – St. Vincent de Paul collection

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PERSONAL GROWTH SEMINAR

To remain relevant and fulfilled, we need to keep learning and developing our potential. We experience growth in any given area when we understand the way things work in that area. Experts believe that many people make use of only a small fraction of the capabilities of their mind during their life time. This is because people generally do not know how to tap into the depth of their potential in order to achieve success.

Join us for the second session of a 3-part growth and development seminar on 8th September, 2018. Come and learn the secrets of having a personal road map for your growth and development needs.

Venue: Annex Hall of Holy Spirit Cathedral

Time: 2.00 p.m. prompt

Resource Person: Dr. Mrs. Mary Anane-Mensah,
Certified Professional Counselor. Member of the world renowned John Maxwell Team of Coaches, Trainers, Teachers and Speakers

WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING

Members of Welfare Committee will meet today immediately after the 7:00am Mass. Venue: Parish hall annex.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS' ASSOC.

Christian Mothers' Association will be meeting today after the 9:30am Mass. All must endeavour to attend.

GROTTO! GROTTO!! GROTTO!!!

Holy Spirit Cathedral will be performing at Christ the King Grotto on 1st September 2018 at 2pm. All parishioners are to be there in our numbers. The Mass Choir and all other Ministries are to be prepared.
Attire: Parish cloth

DZELUKOPE EYE TREKKING TEAM

The Eye Trekking Team from Dzelukope will visit the Holy Spirit Cathedral on Friday 31st August 2018. Interested persons should purchase tickets costing GH¢10.00 at the St. Vincent de Paul kiosk.

CATECHISM CLASSES: Catechism Classes is on-going!!! All interested persons should register with any of the Catechists or with the Parish Secretary during working hours.

HOUR OF GRACE: The next Hour of Grace falls on Friday 14th September 2018 – The Triumph of the Cross. There will be blessing of Water and other Sacramentals. Please bring your petitions on sheets of paper. Come along with a relation or friend.

ROSTER FOR ALTAR DECORATION - 2018

26/08/2018	Gen. & Mrs Peter Augustine Blay
02/09/2018	The Parish
09/09/2018	Mad Agatha Diji
16/09/2018	Mrs Bridget Katsriku

OFFERTORY GIFTS & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

DATE	SOCIETY
	7:00 am: Anchor of Hope Society
26/08/2018	9:30 am: Christian Mothers' Assoc.
	7:00 am: Legion of Mary
02/09/2018	9:30 am: Sacred Heart Confraternity
	6:30 pm: Spiritual Vessels
09/09/2018	7:00 am: St. Joseph's Society
	9:30 am: Youth Council
16/09/2018	7:00 am: Perpetual Help Confraternity
	9:30 am: St. Gabriel's Guild

HOLY SPIRIT CATHEDRAL EVANGELIZATION – 2018

The Holy Spirit Cathedral Administration made it part of our 2018 parish programme to undertake a house to house evangelization for the following reasons:

- As our modest response to the theme of the 125th anniversary celebration, “**125 YEARS OF CATHOLIC MISSION – RENEWING OUR COMMITMENT TO EVANGELIZATION.**”
- In solidarity with the Universal Church, whose mandate it is to evangelize all humanity. (Mt. 28:16 – 20)
- To express our love for the souls of our brothers and sisters within our catchment area who are unable to go to church.
- To make Jesus known as the Lord who saves.
- To make none church goers aware that the Catholic Church cares about their salvation
- To encourage a sense of peaceful co-existence with our neighbours.
- To encourage ourselves as parishioners that we have to stay together to achieve our common purpose of salvation.

WHEN IS THE EVANGELISATION?

The entire church is involved in this exercise from 2nd September through to 23rd September 2018.

HOW WILL IT BE DONE?

We shall follow the zones as has been shared for the Groups and Societies. Those who come for 1st Mass will step out immediately after Holy Mass and those who come for 2nd Mass will also step out after 2nd Mass.

HOW LONG SHOULD THE EVANGELIZATION TAKE

When you step out it is expected that you spend a maximum of five (5) minutes with those you meet, a minimum of one (1) hour and a maximum of two (2) hour for the exercise on a given Sunday over a period of four (4) consecutive Sundays.

HOW DO WE KNOW WHERE WE ARE GOING

The facilitators (the reps from your Group of Society) who were trained are those to lead their Groups and Societies to their assigned zones.

WHAT ARE WE TO TELL THE PEOPLE WE MEET

- Greet the person politely/courteously
- Introduce yourself briefly (name and church)
- Request to take few minutes of their time
- Deliver your message:
 - God loves you (John 4:16; John 10:10; John 15:9 – 13; 1 Timothy 1:14 – 15.
 - You are special and very important in the eyes of Jesus/God. (1 Peter 2:9; Jeremiah 1:5; Luke 12:7)
 - Life is short so seek a relationship with Jesus/God. (James 4:13 – 17; Ephesians 5:15 – 17; Proverbs 24:1)
- Request to share a word of prayer with the person
- Give out a flyer, religious souvenir (the church will provide on the day)
- Should the person want to engage you in a conversation, politely explain to the person that for lack of time you invite them to come to the Cathedral during the weekday or on Sundays to meet you.

NB: They can contact any of the priests during working hours or they should be directed to the pavilion on Sundays where a desk will be placed for that purpose

8. Before you part ways with the person, invite them for the three (3) days crusade at the Sahara Park from Wednesday 26th – Friday 28th Sept 2018 @ 6:00pm each night.

WHAT IS THE WAY FORWARD AFTER THE EVANGELIZATION (Post Evangelisation Support)

- There will be a desk with personnel who will receive and direct all those who join us after the evangelization.
- Every Sunday between October and December 2018, we shall request all first timers to stand up to be welcomed, then we shall request ushers to lead them to the pavilion where they will be properly assisted.
- There will be a programme in place to support all such people to be helped to be fully integrated into the church.
- The support arrangement will include but not limited to:
 - Counselling - To be done by priests
 - Catechism - Catechists
 - Prayer & worship - Charismatic Renewal
 - Life in the Spirit Seminar - Liturgy Committee

WHO QUALIFIES TO TAKE PART IN THE EXERCISE

Every parishioner who can walk and talk is most qualified to be part of this exercise. No one is too old to undertake this exercise. For those who do not belong to any Group or Society, you are encouraged to follow any Group or Society for the purpose of the evangelization when they step out.

APPEAL

Whilst thanking all the Volunteers who have helped to plan this programme, we also acknowledge the support of all the Groups and Societies and your readiness to be part of this exercise. The Cathedral Administration makes a passionate appeal for financial support to cater for the budget of GH¢53,000.00 to enable us undertake this exercise successfully for the salvation of souls. Thank you

EVANGELIZATION – 2018 SEPTEMBER 2ND, 9TH, 16TH & 23RD 2018

THEME: “EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED” (Rom. 10:13)

EVANGELIZATION GROUPS	TIME	ZONE
St. Joseph, St. Francis & Theresian Int.	7:00am	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 – Asylum Down
St. Peters, Perpetual Help & St. Vincent de Paul Soc.	7:00am	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 – Asylum Down
St. Theresa of the Child Jesus & St. Raphael	7:00am	14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20 – Asylum Down
Anchor of Hope and Legion of Mary	7:00am	21, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26 – Adabraka
Charismatic Renewal & Cherubim Choir	7:00am	27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 & 33 – Adabraka
St. Augustine and Christian Mothers’	9:30am	34, 35, 36, 37, 38 & 39 – Adabraka
St. Gabriel & Cathedral Choir	9:30am	40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 & 46 – Adabraka
Knights & Ladies of St. John & Catechists	9:30am	47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52 & 53 – Adabraka
Sacred Heart, Marshallans & Ushers	9:30am	54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 & 60 – Adabraka