

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Funeral arrangements of the late **Mr. Jacob Tetteh** (alias Awotse).
Friday – 1st February 2019: Wake-keeping at his residence (Somanya)
Saturday – 2nd February 2019: Burial Mass at St. Peters Catholic Church – Somanya
Sunday – 3rd February 2019: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass at St. Peters Cath. Ch. - Somanya. The late Jacob Tetteh was a parishioner and a member of the Cherubim Choir.

Funeral arrangements of the late **Madam Cecilia Acheampong**.
Friday – 25th January 2019: Laying in state at her residence, No. 3, 4th Close, South Odorkor Estates.
Saturday – 26th January 2019: Burial Mass at the Holy Spirit Cathedral, followed by interment at the Osu cemetery. There will be final funeral rites at the Holy Spirit Cathedral from 1:00pm – 6:00pm.
Sunday – 27th January 2019: Memorial Thanksgiving Mass at the Holy Spirit Cathedral – 9:30am
 The late Cecilia Acheampong was a parishioner, a member of the Christian Mothers' Association, St. Augustine's Akan Society and a past Usher. She was the mother of Mrs Margaret Agyeman, Mrs Joyce Ofori-Atta & Thomas Owusu-Ansah.
May their souls rest in peace!

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HOLY SPIRIT CATHEDRAL

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 Rev. Fr. Charles Dadzie
 Rev. Fr. Emmanuel-Mary Ofori Srem
 Fr. Blaise Bobbie Attachie (In Residence)



Sundays: 7:00am, 9:00am and 6:30pm
 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**

SECOND SATURDAY PARISH GROTTO ROSARY DEVOTION TIME: 4:00PM

| DATE (2019) | LEADING GROUP | SINGING GROUP |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| 12th January | St. Joseph Ewe Society | Voices of Hope |
| 9th February | Legion of Mary | St. Augustine |
| 9th March | St. Peter's Society | Holy Family |
| 13th April | Theresian Ministry | St. Gabriel |
| 11 th May | St. Anthony's Guild | Voice of Hope |
| 8 th June | St. Theresa of the child Jesus | Spiritual Vessels |
| 13 th July | St. Raphael | St. Augustine |
| 10 th August | St. Francis Society | St. Gabriel |
| 14 th September | Perpetual Help Confraternity | Holy Family |
| 12 th October | Legion of Mary | Spiritual Vessels |
| 9 th November | St. Anthony's Guild | Voices of Hope |
| 14 th December | Sacred Heart Confraternity | St. Augustine |

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THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS JANUARY – 2019
 Evangelization – Young People. That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD **6TH JANUARY, 2018**

Happy New Year

The Cathedral Administration wishes all parishioners Happy New Year. We pray for good health and the strength to remain committed to our Christian calling. We wish you the best of the year 2019.

NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2019 – 2020

Please find as below the new Parish Pastoral Council with elected Executive. The new PPC will be inaugurated and inducted into office on Sunday January 27th 2019.

| S/N | NAME | DESIGNATION | SOCIETY/GROUP |
|-----|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Bekoe Palmer-Buckle | Chairman | Knights of St. John International |
| 2. | Elizabeth Anderson Yebuah | Vice Chairperson | Marshallan Association |
| 3. | John Nana OseiYeboah | Secretary | Administrator's Nominee |
| 4. | Cecilia Atenyose | Assistant Secretary | Cathedral Choir |
| 5. | Josephine EnyonamAfflo | PRO | Ladies Auxiliary of St. John Int. |
| 6. | Francisco ApenuTorgedzi | Assistant PRO | Administrator's Nominee |
| 7. | Ernest Andoh | Member | Finance Committee |
| 8. | Thomas Awumee | Member | Administrator's Nominee |
| 9. | Dr. Michael Doggu | Member | St. Peter's Society |
| 10. | Albert Uche Jude | Member | St. Francis' Society |
| 11. | Newman Addo | Member | Catechists |
| 12. | Bernard Quarcoo | Member | St. Gabriel's Guild |
| 13. | James Nii-Afotey | Member | Ushers |
| 14. | Edwin Kweku Andoh | Member | St. Vincent de Paul |
| 15. | Paul Twum | Member | Sacred Heart Confraternity |
| 16. | Andrews Amuzu | Member | St. Raphael |
| 17. | Joycelyn Addo | Member | Legion of Mary |
| 18. | Alloysius Ahorse | Member | St. Joseph |
| 19. | Cecilia Akyea | Member | Christian Mothers Association |
| 20. | Paul Mensah | Member | St. Augustine |

| 21. | Savior Adomdza | Member | Anchor of Hope |
|---------|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 22. | Vivian Asante | Member | Theresian International |
| 23. | Collette Koblavi | Member | Perpetual Help Confraternity |
| 24. | Godwin M. Mensah | Member | Cherubim Choir |
| 25. | Francisca Ayiku | Member | St. Anthony |
| 26. | Georgina Akwah | Member | Panel of Lectors |
| 27. | Anita Annan-Ashitey | Member | Administrator's Nominee |
| 28. | Dorothy Asiedu | Member | Administrator's Nominee |
| 29. | | Member | Christian Fathers Association |
| 30. | | Member | St. Theresa of the Child Jesus |
| 31. | Kenneth Worlanyo | Member | PYC |
| PRIESTS | | | |
| 32. | Very Rev. Fr. Samuel Filton-Mensah | Administrator | |
| 33. | Rev. Fr. Raphael Atta Donkor | Associate Priest | |
| 34. | Rev. Fr. Charles Thompson Dadzie | Associate Priest | |
| 35. | Rev. Fr. Emmanuel-Mary Ofori Srem | Associate Priest | |

DAILY READINGS

- ☐ **MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019**
 1 John 3:22--4:6 / Psalms 2:7-8, 10-12 / Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
- ☐ **TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019**
St. Louis, Bishop (Optional Memorial)
 1 John 4:7-10 / Psalms 72:1-4, 7-8 / Mark 6:34-44
- ☐ **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019**
 1 John 4:11-18 / Psalms 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 / Mark 6:45-52
- ☐ **THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019**
 1 John 4:19--5:4 / Psalms 72:2, 14-15, 17 / Luke 4:14-22
- ☐ **FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019**
 1 John 5:5-13 / Psalms 147:12-15, 19-20 / Luke 5:12-16
- ☐ **SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019**
St. Bernard of Corleone, Religious (Memorial)
 1 John 5:14-21 / Psalms 149:1-6, 9 / John 3:22-30
- ☐ **SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019**
 The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)
 Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 / Psalms 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 / Acts 10:34-38 / Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

THE REVELATION OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD

We join all the people of the world in worshipping the infant King of the Jews

1ST READING: ISAIAH 60:1-6

Above you the glory of the Lord appears

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (R-11)

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that it may judge your people in justice, and your poor in right judgement.R/...

In his days shall justice flourish, and great peace till the moon is no more. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the River to the bounds of the earth.R/...

The kings of Tarshish and the islands shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.R/...

For he shall save the needy when they cry, the poor, and those who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and the needy, and serve the lives of the needy.R/...

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 3:2-3, 5-6

This mystery has now been revealed: it means that pagans now share the same inheritance.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12

We came from the east to do the King homage

SHORT REFLECTION

Both the gospel and the first reading today speak of gifts – gifts brought by foreigners who in their giving established a new relationship. Their gifts brought them into the lives of the others in a way that changed everyone's lives.

Today may be a good day to contemplate the gifts we have given and those we have received, reflecting less on what the gift itself was, and more on its meaning and impact on our lives and relationships as we celebrate the Eucharist, let us contemplate and give thanks for the many gifts, the many relationships, that have changed us and brought us life.

OUT OF BOUNDS

We wish to bring to your attention that no one is allowed to go into the room where collection is being counted to change their monies. The room remains **out of bounds** during the period when money is being counted. This borders on security and you are respectfully requested to observe this directive. Thank you!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is monthly Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar observed every 2nd Sunday of the month at 3.00 p.m. Come and let us pray together and adore the Lord. There is time for personal testimonies as well. Come along with your religious articles and substances to be blessed. Come for a spiritual transforming experience. Don't be left out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR - 2019

2019 LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR (LSS) - Begins from Sunday 10th February – Sunday 7th April 2019

What is a Life in the Spirit Seminar?

A Life in the Spirit Seminar has two main objectives:

1. Renewing and igniting the power of the Holy Spirit that we received at baptism and confirmation.
2. Promoting an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord to experience a personal Pentecost in our lives.

The Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) is an invitation to make or renew a deep personal commitment to Jesus Christ in openness to the Holy Spirit and His gifts. It serves as an introduction to a life in the power of the Holy Spirit. It provides teaching, guidance, and prayer leading to a new and deeper relationship with the Lord. Come and experience the presence of the Lord, through praise and worship with community!

The LSS includes:

- Lively Praise and Worship
- Talks and Testimonies from Brothers and Sisters in Christ
- Discussion/Group Sharings
- Prayer for the Release of the Holy Spirit in Power
- Social Time

DZELUKOPE EYE TREKKING TEAM

The Dzelukope Eye trekking Team will visit the Holy Spirit Cathedral on Friday 25th January 2019. Interested persons should purchase tickets costing GH¢10.00 at the St. Vincent de Paul Kiosk.

CASU CALLING

The Catholic Students' Union (CASU) of the Holy Spirit Cathedral is inviting all **JHS, SHS** and **Tertiary** students who are committed in using their talents in creating awareness and instituting actions in solving problems in and outside the church.

We meet on the first and last Sundays of every month after the Youth Mass in the Main Hall.

Come, let's unite and make a difference in the Parish.

CASU..... All for Christ.

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.

HOOR OF GRACE: The next Hour of Grace falls on Friday 25th January 2018 – Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle. There will be blessing of Water and other Sacramentals. Please bring your petitions on sheets of paper. Come along with a relation or friend.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR PROGRAMME

| DATE | ACTIVITIES | TIME | SINGING GROUP |
|---|--------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| 31 st December, 2018 | Holy Mass (Morning) | 6:15am | |
| | Holy Mass (Noon) | 2:15pm | |
| | | 10:00pm | |
| | Holy Mass (Mid-night) | | Mass Choir |
| 1 st January, 2019 | Holy Mass | 8:30am | |
| (Mary Mother of God) | (No evening Mass) | | |
| 6 th January, 2019 | Holy Mass | 7:00am | Cherubim Choir |
| Epiphany Sunday (Manifestation of the Lord) | Holy Mass | 8:00am | Youth Choir |
| Attire Kente/Traditional | Holy Mass | 9:30am | Cathedral Choir |
| | Holy Mass | 6:30pm | Spiritual Vessels |

APPEAL FOR USED CLOTHES

The evangelization exercise that ended recently exposed us to the harsh realities of people's conditions. In view of this, we appeal to all parishioners to donate their used clothes that are in good condition to enable us clothe those who wish to come to church but do not have descent clothes. Such donations could be made during the weekdays or on Sundays at the pavilion. Thank you.

JANUARY 2019 MAJOR ACTIVITIES

| DATE/2019 | ACTIVITY | SPECIFIC TO | VENUE/ ACTION BY | TIME |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Sun. 6 th Jan. | Epiphany of the Lord (Manifestation of the Lord) | | | 7:00 am 8:00 AM 9:30 am 6:30 pm |
| Sat. 12 th Jan. | Parish Grotto | | | 4:00 PM |
| Sun. 13 th Jan. | Baptism of the Lord – Feast | | | 7:00 am 8:00 AM 9:30 am |
| | Parish Adoration | | | 3:00 pm 6:30 PM |
| Sat. 19 th Jan. | Orientation for all new PPC members | | | |
| Sun. 20 th Jan. | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | | | 7:00 am 8:00 AM 9:30 am |
| | Life in the Spirit Seminar begins | | | 6:30 pm 2:00 PM |
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| Fri. 25 th Jan. | The Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle – Feast | | | 5:30pm |
| Sat. 26 th Jan. | Orientation for all Catechist | | | |
| Sun. 27 th Jan. | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | | | 7:00 am |
| | Children's Week | Children | Sunday Sch. Animators & PYC | 8:00 AM |
| | | | | 9:30 am 6:30 pm |
| | Life in the Spirit Seminar | | | 2:00 PM |
| Thurs. 31 st Jan. | Holy Hour after evening Mass | | | 6:15 AM 12:15 PM 5:30 pm |

NB:

1. Monthly Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar – Every 2nd Sunday @ 3:00pm
2. Monthly Holy Hour - Every 1st Thursday of the Month after evening Mass
3. Monthly Parish Grotto - Every 2nd Saturday of the Month @ 4:00pm
4. Monthly Deanery Grotto @ Christ The king grotto - Every 1st Saturday of the Month @ 3:00pm
5. Monthly Hour of Grace - Please consult the notice board for the dates

THINGS TO KNOW AS A CATHOLIC

30. WHY DOES THE CHURCH GIVE INDULGENCES

Christ gave his church the power to forgive sins in his name; "Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven..." cf John 20:22 – 23.

Forgiveness of sin by God through the church frees one from the eternal punishment, but there is also the temporal punishment due for sin.

An indulgence is the remission in the sight of God of the temporal punishment due for sins. cf. canon 992.

To be capable of gaining indulgences, one has to be a baptized person, not excommunicated and in the state of grace, apart from fulfilling the other prescribed conditions. (cf: cans. 993, 994, 996)

ROSTER FOR ALTAR DECORATION - 2018

| DATE | DECORATOR ON DUTY |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| 06/01/2019 | The Parish |
| 13/01/2019 | Mrs Ellen Moreaux |
| 20/01/2019 | Mrs Emma Ekue |
| 27/01/2019 | Gen. & Mrs Peter Augustine Blay |

OFFERTORY GIFTS & PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

| DATE | SOCIETY |
|------------|--|
| | Offertory: 2 reps from each society |
| 01/01/2019 | Prayer of the faithful - First 3: Sacred Heart Confraternity Last 3: Legionaries |
| 06/01/2019 | 8:30 am: Mass Choir 6:30 pm: Spiritual Vessels |
| 13/01/2019 | 7:00 am: St. Joseph's Society 9:30 am: St. Gabriel's Guild |
| 20/01/2019 | 7:00 am: Perpetual Help Confraternity 9:30 am: St. Augustine's Guild |
| 27/01/2019 | 7:00 am: St. Theresa of the Child Jesus 9:30 am: Christian Mother's Assoc. |

WORLD YOUTH DAY, PANAMA 2019

The Pope will celebrate 2019 World Youth Day with Youth from all over the world in Panama.

Date: 2nd – 29th January 2019

Cost: US\$5,000.00

We appeal for sponsorship for two Youth as this life transforming experience will significantly improve upon our Youth Apostolate at the Cathedral. Please support us. You may discuss your support with any of the Cathedral Priests.

GINA'S CAKES & PASTRIES

Call 0271692215/0551291287 and order Cakes for your Weddings, Birthdays, Parties and for all occasions. You can also order for Ice Cream Cake.

AGGIE'S SOBOLO & ASANA SPECIAL

Order your special Sobolo & Asana for all occasions (Parties, weddings, funerals etc.)

Location: Asylum down roundabout behind Health Watch Pharmacy.

Contact Aggie on telephone no. 0244948595