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SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, YEAR B

Bulletin

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THEME FOR THE YEAR

"HELPING CHILDREN TO SEEK CHRIST: FROM DISCOVERY TO DISCIPLESHIP."
"WE WANT TO SEE JESUS" (JOHN12:21)

OFFICE HOURS

WEEKDAYS
8:00am-5.00pm

SATURDAYS
8:00am-12:00pm

SUNDAYS
8:00am-2.00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS
6:30am, 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm
Youth Mass : 8.00am

WEEKDAYS
Daily: 6.30am & 12:15pm;
Tues: 6.30am | 12:15pm | 6.30pm

HOLY HOUR & MASS

Thursday preceding the 1st Friday
& 1st Friday @ 6.00pm

CONFESSION

Saturdays : After Morning Mass &
5.00pm (Adoration Chapel)

PASTORAL STAFF

Very Rev. Fr. Ebenezer Akesseh
Parish Priest (0244727276)

Rev. Fr. Donatus Pallu
Parochial Vicar (024 988 1284)

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PARISH,
CANTONMENTS - ACCRA

PRESENTS

MEN PRAYER

Breakfast Meeting

SATURDAY 15TH JUNE, 2024 | 8:45AM - 12PM | **PROMPT** | CHRIST THE KING PARISH, CANTONMENTS - ACCRA

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Christ The King Parish, Accra

solemnity of

Corpus Christi

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

FRI, 7TH JUNE 2024 | 6:00PM

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH, CANTONMENTS

CHRIST THE KING PARISH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE 2024

- Rome - 4 Days
- Lourdes - 2 Days
- Barcelona - 1 Day
- Fatima - 3 Days

JOURNEY THROUGH HOLINESS

Standard Package A (\$4,080)

- Economy flight ticket,
- 2 people in a room at sleep over destinations
- Breakfast
- Internal transport & Airport pickups and drop offs
- Visa

Standard Package B (\$4,780)

- Economy flight ticket,
- 1 person in a room at sleep over destinations
- Breakfast
- Internal transport & Airport pickups and drop offs
- Visa

Premium Package (\$7,280)

- Business Class flight ticket,
- 1 person in a room at sleep over destinations
- Breakfast
- Internal transport & Airport pickups and drop offs
- Visa

DATE

1ST - 14TH
OCTOBER, 2024

REGISTER

Interested Parishioners should contact the Parish Office for registration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL: 0302775645

YOU WILL HAVE UP TO THE END OF JUNE 2024 TO COMPLETE PAYMENT.

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COMMENTARY ON READINGS

First Reading: The Old Covenant that God entered into with His people on Mount Sinai, was sealed with sacrificial animals' blood which Moses sprinkled over the people of Israel in order to restore the holiness of their outward lives. (**Exodus 24:3-8**)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 116)

“I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.”

How shall I make a return to the LORD for all the good he has done for me? The cup of salvation I will take up, and I will call upon the name of the LORD. **Res**

Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones. I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds. **Res**

To you will I offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD. My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people. **Res**

Second Reading: As High Priest, Christ shed His own blood, offering Himself to God as a perfect sacrifice of atonement and won eternal redemption for us in a New Covenant by which God cancelled the sins of the Old Covenant. (**Hebrews 9:11-15**)

Gospel: Jesus instituted the Most Holy Eucharist by establishing the New and Everlasting Covenant that He sealed with His own blood shed on the cross, for our salvation and forgiveness of our sins. (**Mark 14:12-16, 22-26**)

WEEKDAY READINGS

9TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

Monday	St. Charles Lwanga & co. 2 Pt 1: 2-7/ Ps 91/ Mk 12: 1-12
Tuesday	St. Francis Caracciolo 2 Pt 3: 12-15a. 17-18/ Ps 90/ Mk 12: 13-17
Wednesday	St. Boniface Dt 4:1. 5-9/ Ps 147/ Mt 5: 17-19
Thursday	St. Norbert 2 Tm 2: 8-15/ Ps 25/ Mk 12: 28-34
Friday	SACRED HEART OF JESUS Hos 11: 1. 3-4. 8c-9/ Is 12/ Eph 3: 8-12. 14-19/ Jn 19: 31-37
Saturday	Immaculate Heart of the BVM 2 Tm 4: 1-8/ Ps 71/ Lk 2: 41-51

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

Gn 3:9-15/ Ps 130/ 2 Cor 4:13 - 5:1/
Mk 3: 20-35

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

“Take it; this is my body ... This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.”

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus, I reflect with you excerpts of Pope John Paul II's catechesis on the Eucharist as a “memorial” (General Audience, 4 October 2000)

In the Bible, the remembrance of God and the remembrance of man are interwoven and form a fundamental element in the life of God's People. However, this is not the mere commemoration of a past that is no more, it is a “memorial.” “In the liturgical celebration of these events, they become in a certain way present and real” ([CCC,n. 1363](#)).

In the Old Testament, the “memorial” par excellence of God's works in history was the Passover liturgy of the Exodus. The interweaving of God's remembrance with that of man is also at the centre of the Eucharist, which is the “memorial” par excellence of the Christian Passover. For “anamnesis”, i.e., the act of remembrance, is the heart of the celebration: Christ's sacrifice, a unique event which though done once for all (Heb 7: 27; 9: 12, 26; 10: 12), extends its saving presence in the time and space of human history. This is expressed in the last command, which Luke and Paul record in the account of the Last Supper: “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.... This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me” (1 Cor 11: 24-25; cf. Lk 22: 19).

The past of the “body given for us” on the Cross is presented alive today and, as Paul declares, opens onto the future of the final redemption: “As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes” (1 Cor 11: 26). The Eucharist is thus the memorial of Christ's death, but it is also the presence of his sacrifice and the anticipation of his glorious coming.

When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, let us keep in mind this profound statement by Pope John Paul II: “To remember” is therefore “to bring back to the heart” in memory and affection, but it is also to celebrate a presence.

“Only the Eucharist, the true memorial of Christ's paschal mystery, is capable of keeping alive in us the memory of his love.” In the Eucharist Christians nurture the hope of the definitive encounter with their Lord.

How do we allow this idea of presence to shape our imagination?

The LORD bless you and keep you!

The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!

Fr. Akesseh

SECOND COLLECTION

June 02 Thanksgiving
09 Vitus Dery Educational Fund

BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY

June 02 St. Vincent de Paul & Monday Borns
09 Legion of Mary & Tuesday Borns

SOCIETAL / GROUP MEETINGS

TODAY

***Sacred Heart Confraternity** after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Maria Room (Parish Hall).

***Tarcisians** after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Joseph Room (Parish Hall).

***Parish Youth Council** after the 8:00am Mass at the Youth Room.

NEXT WEEK

***Christian Mothers Association**, after the 8:00am Mass at the St. Anthony Room (Parish Hall).

***Catholic Men Association**, after the 8:00am Mass at the School Canteen.

***Kasena Nankana**, after the 8:00am Mass at the Grotto

***St. Michael Ewe Union (Executive)**, after the 8:00am Mass at the Grotto.

* **Marshallan Association**, at 10:30am at the St. Maria Room (Parish Hall)

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH PILGRIMAGE ACCOUNT

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TRIANGULAR ROSARY PROCESSION: A PENITENTIAL WALK WITH JESUS AND MARY

All Catholic faithful are invited to a triangular Rosary procession: A penitential walk with Jesus and Mary, beginning from the Our Lady of Fatima Grotto at Christ the King Church through St. Thomas Aquinas Chaplaincy to St. Michael, 37 and back to the Grotto to end with Holy Mass. Among other intentions, we will be praying for peaceful elections.

Date: Saturday, 8th June 2024

Time: 6.00am prompt

For the elderly who cannot walk, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the following venues and times:

St. Thomas Aquinas Chaplaincy - 6.00am

St. Michael Catholic Church 37 - 7.00am

Our Lady of Fatima Grotto, CTK - 8.00am

Come let us celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary, symbols of God's love and mercy.

THE RICH MERCY OF GOD

EPISODE 1

Mercy in action comes at a cost, but the healing it brings should spur us on to do what Jesus asks us to do.

Works of mercy include – feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, clothing the naked, giving drink to the thirsty. Don't be like a friend of mine who is quick to quote *Matthew 26:11*: The poor you will always have with you. Let us be willing to be imitators of His mercy completely trusting in Jesus.

God wants us to know that the Graces of His mercy depend on our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we receive. One may ask, why is trust in Jesus so important in understanding the Divine Mercy? It is important because TRUST is our response to God's great mercy. Our part is to trust in Him.

In fact, the image of The Divine Mercy bears the inscription "Jesus, I trust in You!" inviting us all to answer this call. Trusting in Jesus is the vessel for drawing graces. You must trust with your entire being that God has your back that He will help you and take care of you. He knows what is best, but to truly embrace what He has planned for you, you must fully trust.

Fred Kwofie

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



The burial Mass of the late **Mrs. Philomena Ghansah**, a parishioner, come of on **Friday, 7th June, 2024** at Christ the King Catholic Church, Cantonments. Filing past will be at 8:00am followed by burial Mass at 9:00am. Interment will be private. Final funeral rites will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall.



The death has been announced of **Mrs. Mary Ekua Atta Kakra Mensah**, mother of Mrs. Felicia Mensah Frimpong both parishioners, which sadly occurred on 11th May, 2024 at the University of Ghana Medical Centre. She was 98yrs. One Week celebration will be held at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Darkuma on Saturday, 15th June, 2024. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.



We are sad to report the death of **Col. Victor Coker-Appiah (Rtd.)**. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Ques: . It is my understanding that after baptism, the Holy Spirit dwells in us. If this is so, then why do I need the sacrament of Confirmation?

Ans: On the day of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church (CCC 1076), Peter addressed his fellow Jews, inviting them to “repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:38). Similarly, Paul referred to Baptism as a “washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit” (Titus 3:5; see also 1 Pet. 3:21, CCC 1215). So, yes, we do receive the indwelling of the Holy Spirit at Baptism and are, thereby, made adopted sons and daughters of God (CCC 1265).

The sacrament of Confirmation is separate from, but complementary to, Baptism; as can be seen or discerned from Acts 8:14-17, among other texts (Acts 2:4, 19:1-6; Eph. 4:30). It completes the three sacraments of initiation (the other being First Communion) by imparting upon us a “special strength of the Holy Spirit” (CCC 1285ff.). As full members of the Church, we are expected to boldly confess Christ as Lord (Phil. 2:11), to never be ashamed of the gospel (Rom. 1:16), and to “be faithful unto death” so that Jesus can justly “give [us] the crown of life” (Rev. 2:10).

Confirmation enables us to do these; by:

- (1). rooting us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, “Abba! Father!” (Rom. 8:15);
- (2). uniting us more firmly to Christ;
- (3). increasing the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us;
- (4). rendering our bond with the Church more perfect; and
- (5). giving us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the Faith by word and action (CCC 1303).

This is our faith!

Send your questions about our faith to: 0244727276

SOCIETY FAIR

Sun., 2nd - 30th June, 2024
@ Forecourt of the Parish Hall



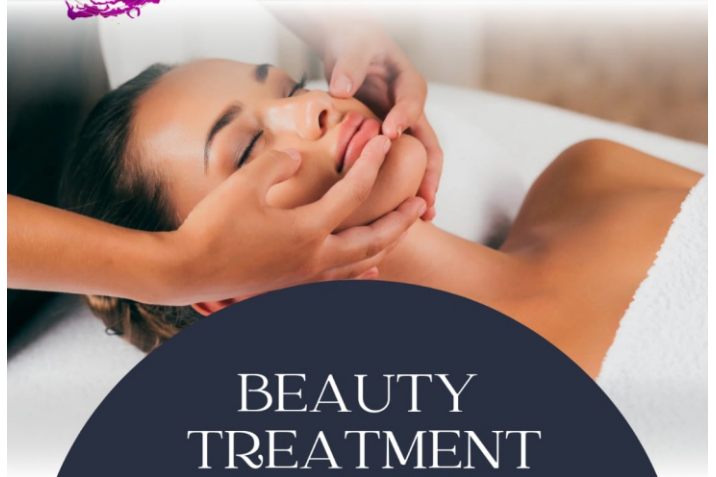
FATHER OF THE YEAR 2024

NOMINATION OPENED

As part of celebrating Fathers' Day, there will be a competition to select the “FATHER OF THE YEAR”. All societies are encouraged to suggest names of fathers for the competition and submit them to the selection committee through **0267714069** or **0264888513** only. Closing date is **9th June 2024**.



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CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

- Ø Must be a Catholic and a Communicant
- Ø Must be 50years and above
- Ø Must be a fully paid up member of the Church
- Ø Must be affable, approachable and amiable
- Ø Must have demonstrated by word and deed utmost care and concern for Christian Family life.
- Ø Must be an active participant of Parish activities.
- Ø Must not have pending ecclesiastical or civil penalties.