



28TH SEPTEMBER, 2025

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Christ the King Church is to create a Eucharistic Community that enriches the spiritual life of its members and their nuclear families, "the Domestic Church", and spreads the Catholic faith.

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

Saturday: 6:30am

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: 5.00pm at the Adoration Chapel

PASTORAL STAFF

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

Rev. Fr. Gerald Owusu-Amankwatia Parochial Vicar (0555283488)

THEME FOR THE YEAR "PILGRIMS OF HOPE: A YEAR OF DISCIPLESHIP" (ROMANS 5:5)







10. St. Vincent De Paul Conference

11. Yefri Tete Kroye Kuo

13. Holy Family Akan Kuo

15. St. Anthony's Guild

14. CTK Orchestra

3. CTK Marshallans Association

Auxiliary
5. Christian Mothers Association

6. Christ the King Choir

7. St. Michael Ewe Union

4. Knights of St. John International and Ladies

26TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME, YEAR C (COMMENTARY ON READINGS)

First Reading: The Prophet Amos describes the extravagant lifestyles of the rich rulers of Israel and Judah who did not care, while the poor suffered all around them. Their days of luxury ended when the rulers were captured and taken into exile.

(Amos 6:1a, 4-7)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 146) "Praise the Lord, my soul"

Blessed is he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free. **Res.**

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers. **Res.**

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.
Res.

Second Reading:Paul reminds Timothy about his baptism, when he professed his faith and spoke the truth in front of many witnesses, with the aim to practice those virtues that make for gaining eternal life.

(1 Timothy 6:11-16)

Gospel: A rich man who was totally insensitive to the needs of the less fortunate around him, died and lost his soul on account of his selfishness and lack of charity towards the poor.(Luke 16:19-31)

WEEKDAY READINGS 26TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

Monday Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,

Archangels

Dn 7: 9-10. 13-14 / Ps 138/ Jn 1: 47-51

Tuesday St. Jerome

Zec 8: 20-23/ Ps 87/ Lk 9: 51-56

Wednesday St. Therese of Lisieux

Neh 2: 1-8/ Ps 137/ Lk 9: 57-62

Thursday The Guardian Angels

Neh 8: 1-4a. 5-6. 7b-12/ Ps 19/ Mt 18: 1-5. 10

Friday St. Theodora Guérin

Bar 1: 15-22/ Ps 79/ Lk 10: 13-16

Saturday St. Francis of Assisi

Bar 4: 5-12, 27-29/ Ps 69/ Lk 10: 17-24

27TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME, YEAR C Hb 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4/ Ps 95/ 2 Tm 1: 6-8. 13-14/ Lk 17: 5-10

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Compete well for the faith.

Last week we began reflecting on the message of the prophet Amos. The emphasis of my reflection was on corruption and how we are to make a difference. Today the prophet Amos throws the spotlight on those who enrich themselves through dubious means and lead profligate lives – not caring what happens to the rest of society. He stresses that they will be the first to suffer the consequences on the day of reckoning. Let us always think about the common good, which is one of the pillars of Catholic Social Teaching. Let the common good influence our actions as we pursue our interests.

In the second reading, Paul exhorts Timothy: But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. Paul's words are equally addressed to us today because you are also dedicated to God. You are a priestly people, a kingly people, a holy people; God's chosen people, a people he has fashioned for himself. Let us, therefore, pay attention to the virtues listed by Paul, namely, righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness, and try to cultivate them. Let us also compete well for the faith by giving off our best to win the prize by laying hold of eternal life.

Living out the virtues listed by Paul and competing well for faith requires us to refrain from the indulgence and extravagance that Amos condemns; and, instead, reach out to the "Lazarus" of our society. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus has many lessons for us. First, the parable cautions us of the destructive power of the sin of omission. The rich man in this parable was not a murderer, an armed robber, a mafia boss, or the head of a human trafficking ring. He had no particularly damaging "sins of commission" on his résumé. Yet, he failed to enter into eternal life. Why? Because of his "sins of omission." Day after day, he closed his heart to a neighbour in dire need of help. He spent his life becoming an expert in self-centeredness. Second, the parable emphasizes that the concerns of the poor are dear to God: blessed is the one who is kind to the needy (Proverbs 14:21); Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done (19:17); Read also Proverbs 21:13; or 28:27. Third, Generosity is God's command to us. God rewards our generosity. Let us, therefore, make generosity a way of

I wish you a blessed week.

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

Sept. 28 Men vs Women Oct. 05 Thanksgiving

BIDDING PRAYERS & OFFERTORY

Sept. 28 Yefri Tete Kroye Kuo

Oct. 05 St. Peter the Apostle Dagaaba Union

MEETINGS TODAY

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

NEXT WEEK

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

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

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

MARRIAGE BANNS

1. Harry Anim Staudt & Antoinette Ahiney Amarteifio (3) 2. Leslie Joppa & Ewurama Omari (2)

HARVEST CORNER DAY BORN COMPETITION

UPDATES AS AT 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2025
DAY RORN AMOUNT POSITION

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SUNDAY	GHS	40,352.00 + \$200		5TH
MONDAY	GHS	18,078.00 + \$200		7TH
TUESDAY	GHS	135,446.00+ \$256+ £22	20	2ND
WEDNESDAY	GHS	50,199.00 + £50		4TH
THURSDAY	GHS	56,548.14 + CAN\$50		3RD
FRIDAY	GHS	21,640.00 + \$100		6TH
SATURDAY	GHS	170,903.50 + €30 + \$10	00	1ST

MEN VS WOMEN
MEN - GHS 127,153.00 + €30+\$100+£15
WOMEN - GHS 138,221.00 + \$112 +£70

REDEEM YOUR HARVEST PLEDGE

Parishioners who are yet to redeem their 2025 Thanksgiving Harvest pledges are kindly reminded to do so at the Parish office or via our digital platforms.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Parishioners, especially the youth who wish to volunteer to help with all our harvest activities should kindly contact 0242270820.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The death has been reported of **Mad. Veronica Esi Korfashie Amoako**, mother of Bismark Amoako, a parishioner. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

Friday, 10th October, 2025: Vigil and Wakeeping at **Achimota ABC down,** Railway bypass 22/ Hse No. 11, GE-368-8797 at 8:00pm. **Attire: Black.**

Saturday, 11th October, 2025: Filing Past and Burial

Service, 7:00am and 8:45am respectively at **Christ Apostolic Church International (C.A.C.I)**, Alogboshie Circuit-Achimota ABC down. Near Guinness Ghana Limited, Accra.

Attire: White & Black Burial: Private Interment.

Sunday, 12th October, 2025: Thanksgiving Service at Christ Apostolic Church International (C.AC.I) at 9:00am.

Reception: Achimota ABC Down, Railway bypass 22/ Hse No. 11

GE-368-8797.

FAITH CORNER

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR REV. SR. M. FLORENCE ANABIRE NSOMAH



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS...cont'd

The funeral arrangements of **Mrs Aku Orleans-Lindsay** (née Sekyim-Kwandoh), a parishioner are as follows:

There will be no Wake-Keeping.

Friday, 3rd October, 2025: Pre-Burial Service at Christ the King Church, Cantonments, Accra at 7.30 am. Burial Mass follows at 9.00 am. Interment: Private Burial.

Funeral Rites will be held at the Christ the King Church Parish Hall immediately after the service. Attire: Black **Sunday, 5th October, 2025:** Thanksgiving Mass at Christ the King Church, Cantonments, Accra at 10.30 am.

Attire: Black & White



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. I have a confession: The story I read of Padre Pio's stigmata left me in a state of tempered belief. Should I feel guilty for wondering whether these reported phenomena are true?

A. No, you needn't feel guilty — so long as your "tempered belief" (read, doubt) is sincere and not cynical or actuated by hubris. The Church teaches that faith and reason are complementary, not opposed. Reason can help one understand the depths of faith, while faith perfects reason by providing the light of revelation to those divine truths that would otherwise be beyond the reach of human intellect (cf. CCC 159, 158). As St Pope John Paul II put it, "Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth."

Let's face it. Similar questions of doubt easily arise about all sorts of paranormal phenomena within Catholic tradition. Did the sun spin at Fatima and Medjugorje? Did St. Joseph of Cupertino and St. Theresa of Avila really levitate? Could St Padre Pio really bi-locate? What happens when St. Januarius's blood liquefies, and people are healed by the prayers of a long-dead saint? The Catholic approach to such happenings is to cultivate a kind of skeptical, yet openminded curiosity — neither falling into open-mouthed credulity nor maintaining a cynical disbelief.

On St Padre Pio, however, it is important to note that his stigmata have been closely examined multiple times, over time, by several scientists. None have established a scientific diagnosis or offered a plausible contrary explanation to the supernatural. Bottomline: Whenever a natural explanation for a seemingly supernatural event is available, it is to be preferred. By the same token, miracles are, by definition, extraordinary events. And because they are extraordinary, they are difficult to categorize and explain. If an event takes place outside the box, we should not be surprised if we find it difficult to put it into a box.

This is our faith! Send your questions about our faith to: 02447272769







DO YOU NEED A PERSONAL TUTOR FOR YOUR WARD?

Interested Parishioners should contact Nii Lante Lamptey, a parishioner, on 0202201373.

Subject Areas include English, Maths or Science.