



THE CHURCH Bulletin

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SUNDAY MASS READING

- 1st Reading - Isaiah 58:7-10
- Psalm - Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
- 2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
- Gospel - Matthew 5:13-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday

- 1st Mass: 6:30 am
- 2nd Mass: 9:00 am
- Children's Mass: 7:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

- Monday: 6:00 am
- Tuesday: 6:00 am
- Wednesday: 6:00 am & 7:00 pm
- Thursday: 6:00 am
- Friday: 6:00 am & 7:00 pm
- Adoration: 6:00 pm
- Saturday: 6:30 am
- Adoration: 6:00 am

Infant Baptism

once every quarter of the year

Confessions

- Fridays: 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
- Saturdays: 7:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
- or any day by appointment.

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5th Sunday in Ord Time (A)

Theme: *The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.*

By: Fr Anthony Anomah, C.S.Sp.

In the Gospel, Jesus reminds his disciples to be the salt of the earth. Salt is a basic and essential item in our diet. It is a purifier, a seasoning and a preservative. Salt produces its effect when it is totally merged with the food. It is indistinguishable from the rest of the food, but its presence or absence is very obvious. The Christian, too, can only be truly effective when s/he is fully a member of society and, at the same time, gives an unmistakable taste to that society.

Jesus uses two more images to emphasise the essential visibility of the Christian. He speaks of a city built on top of a hill; and a lamp on a lamp stand. What is the point in lighting a lamp and covering it up? What is the point in getting baptised, joining the Christian

community and becoming completely invisible to others, especially to those who are not Christians? Jesus is the light of the world. We are also called to be the light of the world and to shine out through our words and actions. Some people will not like that light, preferring darkness, and may try to put it out. There are many parts of our society, especially the commercial, industrial and entertainment areas where the Church is often totally absent. This is like the tasteless salt which is good for nothing. A Christian who is totally immersed in secular society must influence it for good.

In the First Reading Isaiah tells us that pure religion or worship is inseparable from justice; and faith must be expressed in concrete acts of compassion that restore dignity and heal social relationships. As a Christian you must share your bread with the hungry, bring the

"...Our Lady Seat of Wisdom...Pray for US."

MEETINGS

1. Christian Mother's Association have their general meeting on 1st Sundays of the month after Mass. New members are welcome.

2. Christian Daughters Association meets after Mass every 1st Sunday of the month. New members are welcome.

3. St Theresa of the child Jesus society will be having their monthly general meeting on 2nd Sunday of every month. New members are welcome

4. The Youth have their general meeting on 3rd Sundays of the month after Mass. New members are welcome.

5. The Church Choir meets as follows:

Tuesdays - 7pm
Thursdays - 7pm
Saturdays - 7pm

6. KNOLTA meets as follows:

Saturdays - 3:00pm
Sundays after Mass.

7. Sacred Heart Confraternity meets after first Mass on the third Sunday of every month. First Friday devotion is at 5am every month at the church. New members are welcome

8. Catholic Charismatic Renewal meets for prayer meeting and intercessions as follows: Sundays - 5:00pm and Mondays - 6:00pm

9. Welfare Committee meets every Second Sunday of the month after Mass.

10. All parishioners who have not registered should pick registration forms and fill for their names to be captured in the Day-Group Welfare list.

11. Lectors meet on Saturdays at 6:00pm

12. Church Pastoral Council meets after first Mass on the second Sunday of the month

13. Persons wishing to Join Knight of St John International, should Contact the following numbers: 054 080 2319/ 0543900732

14. CYO meets at 2pm on Sundays. New members are welcome

15. Trinity Northern Society meets every 3rd Sunday of the month after first Mass. New members are welcome

16. St. Michael Ewe Society meets every 2nd Sunday of the month after first Mass. New members are welcome

17. Holy Family Akan Society meets every 3rd Sunday after first Mass. New members are welcome.

Society Duty Roster

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| 4th Jan | Trinity Northern |
| 11th Jan | St. Michael Ewe |
| 18th Jan | Holy Family Akan |
| 25th Jan | Youth |
| 1st Feb | CMA |
| 8th Feb | STCJS |
| 15th Feb | CCR |
| 22nd Feb | KLM |
| 1st Mar | KSJI&LA |
| 8th Mar | Sunday |
| 15th Mar | Monday |
| 22nd Mar | Tuesday |
| 29th Mar | Wednesday |

****Please Note: Now it is only on Sundays that groups will be on duty for prayer of the faithful and offertory.**

Saints/Memorials of the Week



Tuesday
St Scholastica,
Virgin, Religious Founder



Wednesday
Memorial of St Blaise,
Martyr



Saturday
St Cyril, Religious Missionary &
St Methodius. Bishop, Missionary

DAILY READINGS

Mon - 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Psalm 132:6-7, 8-10; Mark 6:53-56

Tue - 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mark 7:1-13

Wed - 1 Kings 10:1-10; Psalm 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mark 7:14-23

Thur: 1 Kings 11:4-13; Psalm 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mark 7:24-30

Fri: 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Psalm 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mark 7:31-37

Sat - 1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Psalm 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mark 8:1-10

Sun - Sirach 15:15-20; Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37

REFLECTION

homeless poor into your house, cover the naked and not to hide yourself from your own kin. By so doing, the Lord will answer you when you call or cry for help.

In the Second Reading, Paul tells us that the Gospel is proclaimed authentically not through eloquence, confidence, or human strength, but through humility and weakness so that God's power, working through the Holy Spirit, would be revealed. Paul realised that it was in his weakness and through his weakness that God's power became most obvious in him. God supplies what is lacking in the individual in order to share his/her experience of Christ and of working with others to establish the Kingdom of God.

As Christians, our light must shine brightly so that people may be drawn to God as their Lord who loves them and in whom is their ultimate happiness. Our lives must challenge the world especially those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death. What salt is to food and light to life is what Christians must be by word and example to people around them.

One Mass

Sunday, 22nd February 2026

Day-Born groups meeting follows immediately.

Second collection today is for Pontifical Society of Missionary Childhood (Holy Childhood)



Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Network of Prayer Groups
Madina Deanery, Zone 6

ZONAL PRAYER MEETING

With

Bro. Emmanuel Kofi Larley
Assistant Archdiocesan
Leader, Accra West

Theme: New Life in Christ (2 Cor 5:17)

**Sunday
8th Feb
2026**

**St. Francis of Assisi
Catholic Church,
Ashaley Botwe
2PM PROMPT**

Bus would leave the Church at 1pm.



APPEAL FOR FUND

IN AID OF

SPIRITAN FORMATION AND MISSION

A representative of the Spiritans will visit our Church on **Sunday, 22nd February 2026**, to solicit for your help in the training of **Spiritans Religious Missionary Priests and Brothers** for the Mission of the Church.

Please support the training of our religious missionary priests and Brothers.

For Cheque: Congregation of the Holy Spirit

MoMo: 0555126593 **Reference:** Oyarifa



PRAYERS CORNER

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me

Body of Christ, save me

Blood of Christ, inebriate me

Water from the side of Christ, wash me

Passion of Christ, strengthen me

O good Jesus, hear me

Within thy wounds, hide me

Suffer me not to be separated from thee

From the malignant enemy defend me

In the hour of my death call me

and bid me come unto thee,

that with thy saints I may praise thee

forever and ever. Amen.



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