

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS

Society/Group	Days
Knights & Ladies of the Altar (KNOLTA)	Saturdays @ 3pm
Lectors	Saturdays @ 6pm
Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR)	Sundays @ 4pm
Ave Maria Choir	Wednesdays & Fridays after evening Mass
Cadets & Junior Auxiliary of KSJI	2 nd Sunday after first Mass
Catholic Organization for Social and Religious Advancement (COSRA)	2 nd Sunday after first Mass
St. Theresa Roses	2 nd Sunday after first Mass
Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)	4 th Sunday after first Mass
Christian Daughters Association (CDA)	4 th Sunday after first Mass
St. Dominic (Main) Choir	Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays @ 7pm
Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of St. John International (KSJI)	2 nd Saturday of the month
St. Theresa Society	Sundays after first Mass
St. Francis of Assisi Nigerian Society	2 nd Sunday after first Mass
Catholic Women Association (CWA)	2 nd Sunday after second Mass
Christian Mothers Association (CMA)	2 nd Sunday after second Mass
St. Anne (Ewe) Society	2 nd Sunday after second Mass
Northern Union	3 rd Sunday after first Mass
Sacred Heart of Jesus	3 rd Sunday after first Mass
Knights & Ladies of Marshal	3 rd Sunday after first Mass
Holy Family (Akan Kuo) Society	3 rd Sunday after second Mass
St. Vincent De Paul Society (SSVP)	4 th Sunday after first Mass

CATECHISM CLASSES: Sundays at 3pm

PPC MEETING: Today, January 19th 2020 after second Mass

FEBRUARY 2020

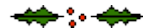
- Children's month
- Ash Wednesday
- First Week of Lent



WELCOME to St. Dominic Parish

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting us for today's liturgy.

Wishing you God's abundant blessings!

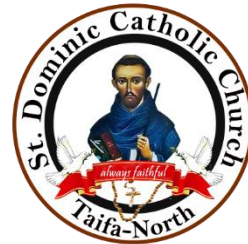


"May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy one"

Ephesians 1:18

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WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

Today's Reading: *Is 49: 3, 5-6; Ps 40: 2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a); 1 Cor 1: 1-3; Jn 1: 29-34*

NEXT SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES

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| January 19, 2020 | - St. Dominic: 6:30 am; 9 am |
| No. 200103 | - Our Lady of Fatima: 7 am |

REFLECTION

Today as we reflect on the three readings of the day, two things are clear. Every human being living on this earth have been called and every call comes with a mission. From the three readings we identify four personalities who were called and given a special mission.

- Isaiah was to bring back Israel to God.
- Paul was to be an apostle to the "Gentiles".
- Sosthenes was to minister to the Corinthian Church.
- John the Baptist was to unveil Jesus Christ to the people as the Lamb of God.

We know from scripture that these personalities successfully accomplished these missions.

Now from the second reading we notice two special groups of people who according to Paul have also been called. "Those sanctified in Christ Jesus" and "Those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" Their mission is to be Saints. We also know from Matthew 28:18-20 of the General mission of Evangelization.

The mission of these four personalities are specific to them even though it falls under the bigger umbrella of Evangelization. By the very fact of our baptism we form part of those sanctified. Those who are not yet baptized fall under those who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So all of us here have been called and given a special task which is different from the other person. In fact, the manner in which the mission is to be fulfilled is also different from the other person.

The question now is: Have you identified that special mission entrusted to you and how you are to fulfill it? And are you also on the path of Holiness?

This is very important because until you find out your special mission and how you are to fulfil it, you will end up doing someone's job or remain idle or doing what has not been assigned to you or better still doing anything at all (anything goes) leaving behind your real assignment. You can know it by praying about it to God. Also, you will feel a strong urge to actually do something particular for God.

For some, it is entering into full time ministry, or supporting the work of God with your material resources, or using your ideas to promote the work or rendering little services like cleaning the house of God etc. Once again have you identified the mission for your call?

There is so much to be done but we have all concentrated on just a few aspects while other areas are left untouched.

May the almighty God enlighten our minds and strengthen our wills so that we may be Holy and discover our mission and fulfil them faithfully. Amen

By Joseph Effah Siaw

THEME FOR THE YEAR:
"YOUR WORD IS A LAMP TO MY FEET AND A LIGHT TO MY PATH" (Ps 119:105)

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LITURGY CORNER

Three Powerful Sacramentals to Have in Your Home

The use of sacramentals is one of the most misunderstood practices in the Catholic Church. They have been part of the Church's life from the very beginning, but are commonly viewed as some sort of superstition.

This is largely due to the fact that many Catholics over the centuries have used sacramentals in a superstitious way as they were not taught how to use them properly. Instead of using them with faith, some Catholics used them as magic charms rather than instruments of grace.

This is unfortunate, as sacramentals are meant to enrich our spiritual lives, not hinder them. They have been instituted by the Church to draw us into a deeper relationship with Christ and are focused on sanctifying every part of our lives. Sacramentals are extensions of the seven sacraments and bring the grace of God into everything that we do.

One place where sacramentals are especially powerful is in the home. If used in a spirit of faith, sacramentals can protect us from spiritual harm or inspire us to live a holy life dedicated to God.

Here are three such sacramentals that, if used properly, can provide a spiritual boost to the home as well as keep away spiritual enemies that are lurking in the shadows.

Holy water has a double meaning of reminding us of our baptism as well as a symbol of spiritual cleansing. Holy water is said to have great power over the devil as the devil cannot stand this "clean" water, since he is entirely unclean for all eternity. It is a reminder of the water that flowed out of Christ's side, which is a symbol of Baptism, and brings to mind the day of the devil's defeat (Christ's crucifixion).

To be continued...
Source: aleteia.org

PRAYER TO ST. DOMINIC:

O great St. Dominic, who, inflamed with divine love, did find your delight in prayer and intimate union with God; obtain for us to be faithful in our daily prayer to love our Lord ardently, and to observe His commandments with ever increasing fidelity. Amen



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justices in the world.



MONTHLY & WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Basic Christian Community (BCC) meetings: Every Monday, 7 pm
- ❖ Rosary Prayers: Wednesdays & Fridays, 6:30pm
- ❖ Communion Rounds: Every Friday, 7am

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 5:30 pm OR by appointment with a priest

ONE MASS: Every First Sunday of the month @ 8 am

HOLY HOUR (ADORATION): Every First Thursday of the month @ 7 pm

TIME IN HIS PRESENCE: Every Second Sunday of the month, 6 pm

NIGERIAN MASS: Every Last Thursday of the month @ 6:30 pm

INFANT BAPTISM: Every Last Friday of the month @ 6:30 pm

SCRIPTURE READINGS (For The Week)

Monday, 20th January (St. Fabian and St. Sebastian): 1 Sam 15: 16-23; Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2: 18-22

Tuesday, 21st January (St. Agnes of Rome)
1 Sam 16: 1-13; Ps 89: 20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2: 23-28

Wednesday, 22nd January (St. Vincent of Saragossa): 1 Sam 17: 32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144: 1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3: 1-6

Thursday, 23rd January (St. William of Bourges): 1 Sam 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7; Ps 56: 2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3: 7-12

Friday, 24th January (St. Francis de Sales):
1 Sam 24: 3-21; Ps 57: 2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3: 13-19

Saturday, 25th January (Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle – Feast): Acts 22: 3-16 or Acts 9: 1-22; Ps 117: 1bc, 2; Mk 16: 15-18

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Is 8: 23 - 9: 3; Ps 27: 1, 4, 13-14 (1a); 1 Cor 1: 10-13, 17; Mt 4: 12-23



CLEANING OF THE CHAPEL, BIDDING PRAYERS & BRINING OF OFFERTORY GIFTS SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2020

<u>Cleaning</u>	<u>Bidding Prayers & Offertory</u>
<u>18th Jan.</u> CCR & Catholic Women Association	<u>19th Jan.</u> - 1 st Mass: CCR - 2 nd Mass: Catholic Women Association
<u>25th Jan.</u> : Parishioners	<u>26th Jan.</u> : Parishioners
<u>1st Feb.</u> : Parishioners	<u>2nd Feb.</u> : Parishioners
<u>8th Feb.</u> KSJI & Ladies Auxiliary & St Anne Society	<u>9th Feb.</u> - 1 st Mass: KSJI & Ladies Auxiliary - 2 nd Mass: St Anne Society
<u>15th Feb.</u> CYO & St Theresa of the Child Jesus Society	<u>16th Feb.</u> - 1 st Mass: CYO - 2 nd Mass: St Theresa of the Child Jesus Society
<u>22nd Feb.</u> St Francis of Assisi Society, Perpetual Help & St Vincent De Paul	<u>23rd Feb.</u> - 1 st Mass: St Francis of Assisi Society - 2 nd Mass: Perpetual Help & St Vincent De Paul
<u>29th Feb.</u> : Parishioners	<u>1st Mar.</u> : Parishioners

MASS SCHEDULES (For The Week)

ST. DOMINIC

- Tuesday & Thursday @ 6 am
- Wednesday & Friday @ 7 pm
- Saturday @ 6:30 am
- Sunday @ 6:30 am; 9 am

Rosary Prayers:

Wed. & Fri. @ 6:30 pm

Cleaning of the Church:

COSRA & Holy Family Society

Offertory:

- 1st Mass: COSRA
- 2nd Mass: Holy Family Society

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

- Monday @ 7pm
- Sunday @ 7am

Below is the link to the Church Membership Online Registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdVgPnZtu4xBensaO0tHI4m4tJsVjLyooj3VQgUxHyH9b5yIg/viewform>