



SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Upcoming Next Week...

- ♥ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- ♥ Mass @ 7:00am



READINGS FOR THE WEEK



26 July – 2 August 2026



Sunday, 26 July, 2026 || Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7–12 / Ps 119:57, 72, 76–77, 127–128, 129–130 /
Rom 8:28–30 / Mt 13:44–52 or 13:44–46



Monday, July 27, 2026 || Monday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

Jer 13:1–11 / Dt 32:18–19, 20, 21 / Mt 13:31–35



Tuesday, July 28, 2026 || Tuesday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

Jer 14:17–22 / Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 / Mt 13:36–43



Wednesday, July 29, 2026 || Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Jer 15:10, 16–21 / Ps 59:2–3, 4, 10–11, 17, 18 /
Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42



Thursday, July 30, 2026 || Thursday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

Jer 18:1–6 / Ps 146:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6ab / Mt 13:47–53



Friday, July 31, 2026 || Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Jer 26:1–9 / Ps 69:5, 8–10, 14 / Mt 13:54–58



Saturday, August 01, 2026 || Feast of St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7–15 / Ps 126:1bc–2ab, 2cd–3, 4–5, 6 / Mt 20:20–28



Sunday, August 02, 2026 || Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:1–3 / Ps 145:8–9, 15–16, 17–18 /
Rom 8:35, 37–39 / Mt 14:13–21

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CHURCH SERVICES & SACRAMENTS

	Sundays:	7:00am (E3e/English) – Unless otherwise arranged
	Daily Masses:	6:15am (Monday – Saturday)
	Confession:	4:00pm (Saturdays)
	Infant Baptism:	Baptisms are held on the First Saturday of every month. Please contact the Parish Priest to make arrangements. Baptismal Preparation meeting is required.
	Anointing of the Sick:	Contact the Parish Priest to schedule hospital or home visits
	Marriage:	Engaged couples must contact the Parish Priest six (6) months prior to the desired date of marriage and complete required preparation

Note:

- Parishioners entering, leaving, or moving within the Church should notify the Parish Priest
- Due to patient privacy, clinics/hospitals cannot disclose health information. If you or a family member is hospitalized, kindly contact the Parish Priest.





St. Cecilia Parish, Ho-Dome

Facebook Live Stream

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Sundays at 7AM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

LAST SUNDAY'S CHURCH COLLECTION

Item	Amount (GH¢)
 Offertory Collection	2,417.10
 Second Collection	1,409.30
 Holy Childhood Collection	36.00
 Golden Jubilee Thanksgiving Envelopes	440.00
 TOTAL	4,302.40
 CFA	500.00

 **Mobile Money:** 059 467 1881
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 **Name:** St. Cecilia Parish, Ho-Dome

“For it is in giving that we receive”

♥ Thank you for your generosity ♥



SUNDAY GOSPEL

Reflections

A PRICELESS DISCOVERY AWAITS!

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.” [Matthew 13:44–46](#)

In the first parable above, a person unexpectedly discovers a treasure buried in a field. Imagine that you take a metal detector with you while on a hike, simply curious about what might lie beneath the soil. Suddenly, the detector gives a strong signal. Expecting perhaps a rusted can or an old nail, you begin to dig. But as your shovel strikes something solid, you uncover an old chest. With growing anticipation, you lift it from the earth and open it—only to find it brimming with ancient and priceless jewels, gold and silver coins, and other precious items of immense worth.

In the second parable, the merchant is actively searching for a valuable pearl. He knows what he seeks and finally discovers one of exceptional worth—one that eclipses all others. In both cases, however, the response is the same: the man and the merchant each go and sell all they possess to obtain the treasure they have found.

These parables pose two fundamental questions for each of us:

- Have I discovered the priceless treasure of the Kingdom of Heaven?
- If I have, am I willing to let go of everything else to attain it?

Like the man who stumbles upon the buried treasure, many people encounter God’s grace in surprising ways—through a moment of prayer, a profound experience at Mass, an act of charity, or even during suffering. Maybe those people were not actively seeking divine treasure, yet in a moment of providence, the veil is lifted, and the beauty of God’s Kingdom is revealed. Once they discover the treasure, their souls realize that nothing else compares. From that point on, they are moved to reorient their entire lives to possess that treasure fully.

The path of the merchant, by contrast, is that of the soul who longs for truth, beauty, and goodness, diligently seeking them out. The one who searches might spend years studying, praying, yearning, and pursuing what is of eternal value. And then—finally—the “pearl” is found. Christ is discovered. The Gospel becomes clear. The longing is fulfilled. Again, everything else is willingly surrendered for the sake of that one Pearl of great price—Jesus Christ.

In both parables, the decision to sell all to gain the treasure is an easy choice. The discovery is so great that everything else the person possesses pales in comparison. But how many people have truly made such a discovery?

Many of us are like someone who learns of a buried treasure in a field and, out of curiosity, drives out to look—but spends little or no time

searching. Or we are like a merchant who is informed of a rare and valuable pearl for sale far from home. Though interested, we note the length of the journey and abandon the thought.

Though we may have heard about the glory of God’s Kingdom, unless we truly discover it, we will not see the value of attaining it at any cost. We will only be willing to sell all we have—to detach from every hindrance to grace, every sin, obsession, and distraction—if we make the initial discovery of the priceless nature of God’s Kingdom already present on earth and the fullness of His Kingdom that awaits us in Heaven.

Reflect today on this invaluable treasure, waiting to be discovered. Consider where you are on that journey of discovery. Have you heard about the priceless treasure of coming to know, love, and serve God? Have you read about the radical response made by many saints? Have you discovered God for yourself, through prayer and moments of profound enlightenment? If you have not, keep searching—the Kingdom is near. If you have made this discovery, then consider all your attachments, and willingly surrender them to God, acknowledging that nothing is too much to offer to our loving God in exchange for the untold riches of the life of grace to which we are called.

My Lord and King, so often I seek the fleeting treasures of this world, including the illusion of treasures found in sin. Please open my eyes and help me to see You as You truly are—and to recognize the priceless value of Your Kingdom in my life. As I discover this Pearl of Great Price, grant me the courage and wisdom I need to surrender all that You ask of me, so that I may fully attain Your reign in my heart. Jesus, I trust in You.





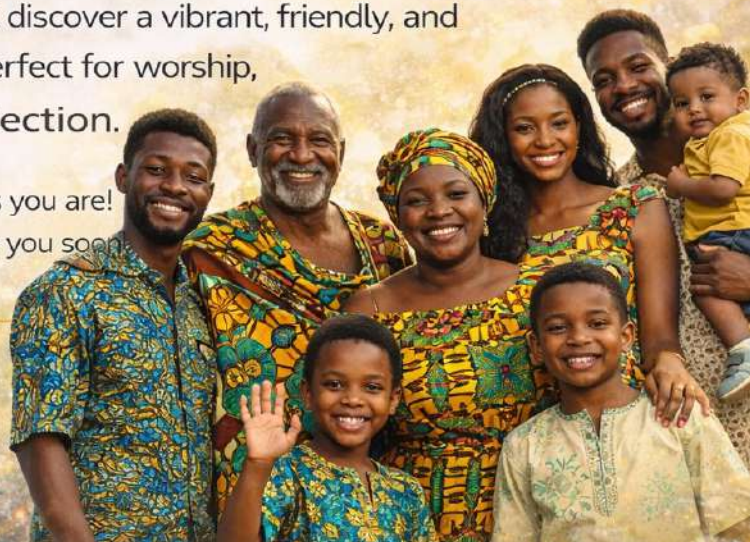
WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors! Whether you are passing through or residing in the surrounding areas, we invite you to join us for Sunday Mass.

Our doors are always open, and our community is eager to receive you with open arms. You will discover a vibrant, friendly, and youthful atmosphere, perfect for worship, fellowship, or quiet reflection.

Join our church family just as you are!
We look forward to meeting you soon!

*Catholic Lay Faithful —
Arise, Rejoice and Renew*



WHERE TO FIND A CATHOLIC CHURCH IF YOU ARE IN HO, KPEDZE, KPANDO OR HOHOE

HO DEANERY

- ♥ Sacred Heart Cathedral, Ho-Bankoe
- ♥ St. Cecilia, Ho-Dome
- ♥ St. Ignatius of Loyola Chaplaincy, Ho-Volta Barracks
- ♥ Holy Spirit, SSNIT Flats, Ho
- ♥ Christ The King, Mawuli Estate, Ho
- ♥ St. Francis of Assisi, Ho-Kpevele
- ♥ Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, Sokode-Lokoe
- ♥ St. Anthony, Sokode-Gbogame
- ♥ St. Andrews, Ziope
- ♥ St. Joseph, Adaklu-Ahunda
- ♥ St. Stephen, Kpetoe
- ♥ St. Gabriel The Archangel, Ho-Agortome
- ♥ St. Luke Chaplaincy, UHAS-Ho
- ♥ St. Augustine Chaplaincy, HTU-Ho

Note: *Priests in OLA SHS, Ho, associate with this deanery*

KPEDZE DEANERY

- ♥ St. Anthony, Kpedze
- ♥ St. Anthony, Taviefe
- ♥ Immaculate Heart of Mary, Shia
- ♥ St. Theresa of The Child Jesus, Frankadua
- ♥ Holy Cross, Have
- ♥ St. Michael, Tsito
- ♥ St. Francis of Assisi, Dzemeni
- ♥ St. Joseph, Liati
- ♥ Queen of Peace, Golokwati

Note: *Priests in Rijnbeek School, Have, associate with this deanery.*

KPANDO DEANERY

- ♥ Immaculate Conception, Kpando
- ♥ St. Raphael, Kpando-Dzoanti
- ♥ Our Lady of Lourdes, Kpando-Agbenoxoe
- ♥ Margaret Marquart Chaplaincy, Kpando
- ♥ St. Benedict, Sovie
- ♥ Ss. Peter & Paul, Anfoega
- ♥ St. Theresa of The Child Jesus, Aveme Beme

- ♥ St. Peter, Vakpo

Note: *Priests in CYO Vocational/Technical Institute, Sovie and Bishop Herman College, Kpando, associate with this deanery*

HOHOE DEANERY

- ♥ St. Augustine, Hohoe
- ♥ Holy Rosary, Hohoe
- ♥ Holy Trinity, Hohoe
- ♥ St. Aloysius, Gbi-Atabu
- ♥ Sacred Heart, Fodome-Helu
- ♥ St. Augustine, Alavanyo
- ♥ St. Michael, Lolobi
- ♥ St. Mary, Likpe-Abrani
- ♥ St. Joseph, Likpe-Mate

Note: *Priests in St. Mary's Minor Seminary/SHS, Lolobi, St. Francis College of Education, St. Theresa College of Education and St. Agatha Commercial/SHS, Hohoe, associate with this deanery.*





NEXT SUNDAY

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST SUNDAY IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST



ONLY ONE MASS AT
7:00 AM



AFTER
MASS:

Birthday Collection



Come and worship with thanksgiving and joy.

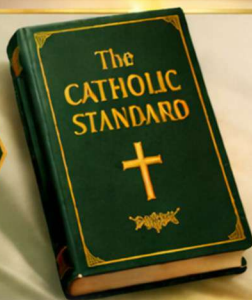


All church announcements should be sent to the church Secretary via  **024 148 9098** before Fridays



THERE WOULD BE
CATECHISM

ON SUNDAY AT **4:00PM**



The *Catholic Standard* is available
at the Parish.

Interested persons should contact *Mr. Alfred Dzorgbesi*





ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Let us work together for a cleaner church
and a stronger community!*

01

YOUTH CLEANING EXERCISE



Youths would be responsible for cleaning the chapel and the church premises next **SATURDAY** towards Mass on **SUNDAY**.



They would also bring items for **OFFERTORY**.



02

PERPETUAL HELP CONFRATERNITY MEETING



There would be meeting for **PERPETUAL HELP CONFRATERNITY** members just after Mass.



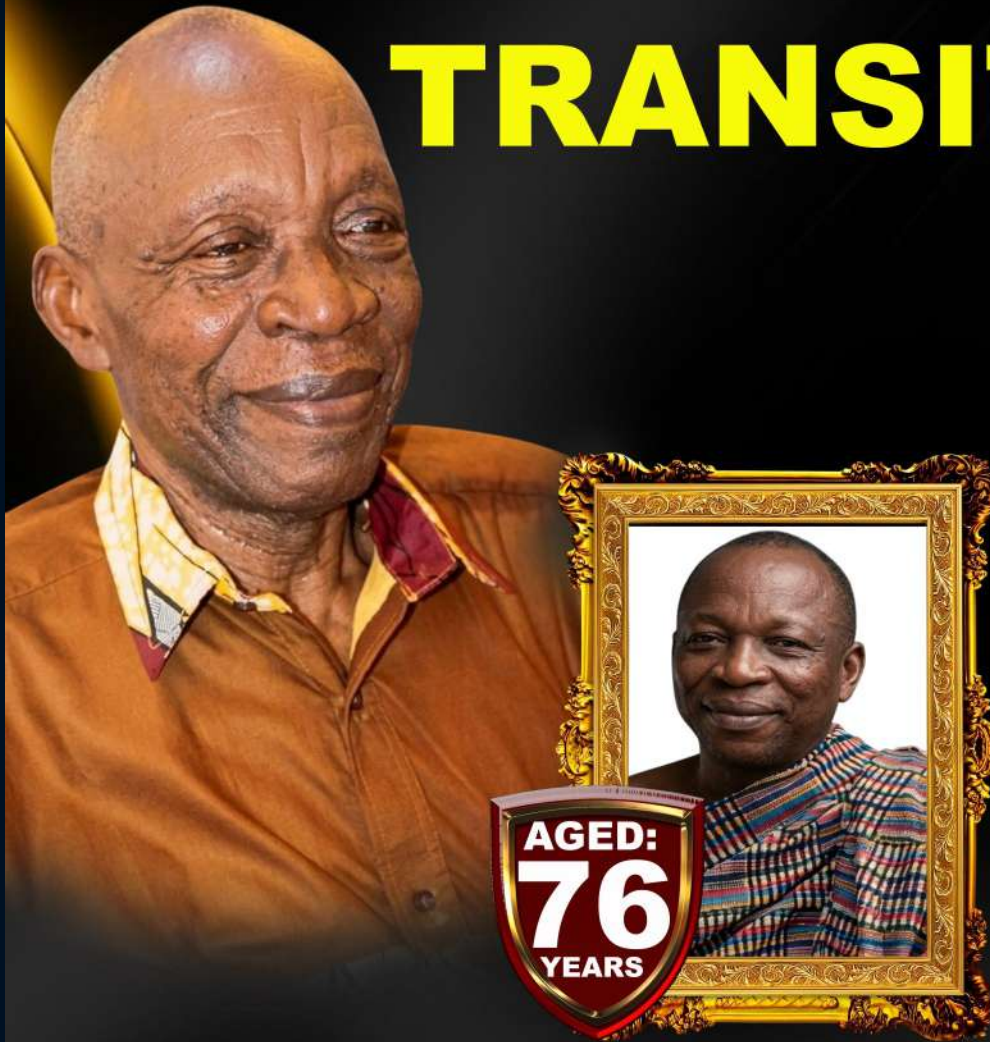
All must endeavor to **ATTEND**.



Thank you for your cooperation and commitment.



TRANSITION



VICTUS KOMLA TSYAWO

(Former Principal, School of Hygiene, Ho)

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

FRIDAY, 31ST JULY, 2026

10:00am: Collection of mortal remains from Caritas Mortuary, Hoviefe to his residence at Godokpoe-Ho, (GPS: VH-0160-5903) for laying in state and short Pre-Burial Service

12:00pm: Mortal remains will be conveyed to Kpele-Govie Afegame (Togo) for Final Funeral Rites and Burial

SATURDAY, 1ST AUGUST, 2026

8:00am: Burial Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Kpele-Govie Afegame (Togo)

Interment: Public Cemetery, Kpele-Govie Afegame (Togo)

SUNDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 2026

7:00am: Thanksgiving Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Kpele-Govie Afegame (Togo)

All Friends & Sympathizers Are Cordially Invited



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CLEANUP EXERCISE

The Youth would be responsible for the cleaning of the chapel and church premises next Saturday in preparation for Sunday Mass. Members are also kindly requested to bring items for the offertory. All members are encouraged to participate.



GROUPS AND SOCIETIES

NAME	CONTACTS
♥ St. Cecilia Choir	- 024 441 8116
♥ St. Mary's Choir	- 024 208 5310
♥ St. Ambrose Choir	- 024 745 6192
♥ St. Cecilia Media Team	- 020 902 6040
♥ St. Anthony's Guild	- 050 289 4376
♥ Legion of Mary	- 024 232 6010
♥ Israel Group	- 024 366 9255
♥ Voice of Cecilia	- 024 998 3485
♥ Keta-Akatsi Union	- 024 402 2546
♥ Perpetual Help Confraternity	- 024 401 1156
♥ Catholic Women	- 024 622 6887
♥ Men Fellowship	- 024 277 6578
♥ The Youth	- 024 284 3595
♥ Good Shepherd	- 024 401 1156
♥ Christian Mother's Association	- 024 672 3213
♥ Sacred Heart Confraternity	- 055 227 5414
♥ Knights & Ladies of Marshall	-
♥ Ushers	-

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