# ST. CECILIA CATHOLIC CHURCH, HO-DOME



Golden Jubilee
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Weekly Bulletin

## SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

*01.11.2026*

***UPCOMING NEXT WEEK…***

- THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
- @ 7:00AM

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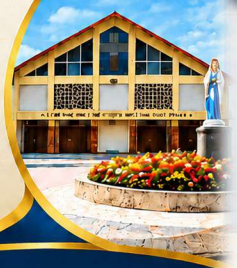
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# CHURCH SERVICES & SACRAMENTS

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|---|---|
| **Sundays:** | **7:00am** (Ewe/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.





# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## LAST SUNDAY'S CHURCH COLLECTION

| Item | Amount (GH¢) |
|---|---|
| Offertory Collection | 2,397.00 |
| Second Collection | 1,489.10 |
| Holy Childhood Collection | 46.50 |
| **TOTAL** | **3,932.60** |

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# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1**



**Solemnity of All Saints**

Rv 7:2–4, 9–14 / Ps 24:1bc–2, 3–4ab, 5–6 / 1 Jn 3:1–3 / Mt 5:1–12a

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 2**



**The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**

Wis 3:1–9 / Ps 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6 / Rom 5:5–11 or Rom 6:3–9 / Jn 6:37–40

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3**



**Tuesday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

Phil 2:5–11 / Ps 22:26b–27, 28–30ab, 30e, 31–32 / Lk 14:15–24

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 4**



**Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

Phil 2:12–18 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13–14 / Lk 14:25–33

**THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5**



**Thursday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

Phil 3:3–8a / Ps 105:2–3, 4–5, 6–7 / Lk 15:1–10

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6**



**Friday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

Phil 3:17—4:1 / Ps 122:1–2, 3–4ab, 4cd–5 / Lk 16:1–8

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7**



**Saturday of the Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time**

Phil 4:10–19 / Ps 112:1b–2, 5–6, 8a and 9 / Lk 16:9–15

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8**



**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wis 6:12–16 / Ps 63:2, 3–4, 5–6, 7–8 / 1 Thes 4:13–18 or 4:13–14 / Mt 25:1–13

*Please take note and prepare prayerfully.*

# SUNDAY GOSPEL Reflections

## THE BRIDEGROOM AND THE BRIDE

***Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise." Matthew 25:1–2***

The Parable of the Ten Virgins draws on culturally familiar language and practices from first-century Israel. Understanding the wedding customs of that time sheds light on its deeper meaning.

First, the bride and groom did not choose each other. The father of the groom selected a bride for his son and spoke to the bride's father to obtain his consent. If the bride's father agreed, the two fathers drew up a contract, which often included a financial contribution from the groom's family to the bride's—both to compensate for the loss of her presence in the household and to symbolize the value the groom placed on her.

Once an agreement was reached, the bride price was paid, and a betrothal ceremony took place. During this ceremony, the bride and groom were legally bound to each other, though they would not yet live together. From that point on, the bride belonged to the groom, and the union could only be dissolved through a formal divorce. After the betrothal, the groom returned to his father's house to prepare a place for his bride—often by building a new room onto the family home. This period of preparation could last up to a year. During that time, the bride remained in her father's house, readying herself and awaiting the groom's return.

When the groom had finished his preparations and received his father's consent, he and his friends would set out to retrieve the bride. This usually happened at night, and the exact timing was unknown to the bride and her attendants. As a result, they had to remain constantly watchful. When the groom drew near, a cry would go out—often accompanied by trumpet blasts or joyful shouts—announcing his arrival. The bride, accompanied by her virgin attendants, would rise to meet him with lamps lit. Together, they would process to the groom's house, where the door would be shut and the wedding feast would begin. The celebration itself could last several days.

It is against this backdrop that Jesus tells today's parable. The story takes place toward the end of the betrothal period, when the groom was expected to arrive at any moment. This period of watchful anticipation symbolizes our present age, when we are already bound to Christ through Baptism. The price for our mystical marriage was the death of the Son of Man, the Bridegroom Himself. Now we must remain vigilant, anticipating His arrival.

The bridegroom's arrival at midnight represents the unexpected moment of Christ's return at the end of time, at the hour of our death, and even His daily coming by grace. The cry in the dark symbolizes the call of accountability and divine judgment, when every soul will rise to meet the Lord. At that moment, it will become clear who among us was wise and who was foolish. The wise brought oil, symbolizing the necessary interior disposition of grace, charity, and perseverance. The foolish failed to prepare. And while all may have fallen asleep, only those who lived in readiness will enter the wedding feast. Once the door is locked, no one else may enter.

See yourself as one of the bridesmaids, dozing in the stillness of night, only to be startled awake by the sudden trumpet blast and the cry: "Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!" Are you ready, today, to meet the Lord? Or do you, like the foolish virgins, presume you still have plenty of time left to prepare? This parable calls us not only to be ready for death—which may come without warning—but also to be attentive to the many ways Jesus comes to us daily by grace. He knocks at the door of our hearts in moments of prayer, in opportunities to love, to repent, to forgive, and to surrender. Each of these is a visitation, a miniature midnight cry. Every graced invitation is one we must be ready for, with our lamps burning and our hearts open. To delay, to resist, or to put Jesus off is to risk being shut out—not only from the eternal wedding feast, but also from the joy of His presence here and now.

Reflect today on the oil in your own lamp. Is it full and ready to burn brightly at a moment's notice? Have you been attentive to the daily promptings of grace, or have you grown spiritually drowsy, distracted by worldly cares? Ask the Lord to awaken your soul, to keep you vigilant and eager for His coming, whether at the end of your life or in the quiet moments of each day. Remain watchful, and be prepared to follow Him in every moment of every day.

*My Lord and Bridegroom of the Church, You call us to vigilance, so that when You come to us—whether by grace throughout the day or at the end of our lives—we may be ready to follow You into the wedding feast of Divine Union. Free me, I pray, from all complacency and spiritual sloth. Grant me instead the virtues of attentiveness and diligence, that I may respond to every graced moment with love and fidelity. May each response draw me into deeper communion with You, now and forever. Jesus, I trust in You.*

***"Happy New Month, November! May this month bring you fresh beginnings, new opportunities, and endless joy."***




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

## 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

**NB:** 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

**NB:** 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

**NB**: Priests in C.Y.O. 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

**NB**: 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



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**01** **Next Saturday**



**Knights and Ladies of Marshall** 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** **Thursday, 5th November**



This will be the First Thursday in the month. There will be **Holy Hour at 7:00pm.**

**03** **Friday, 6th November**



Being the first Friday, there will be **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** after morning Mass.

**04** **Monday, 2nd November**



**All Souls Day.** We shall have Mass at **6:30pm.**

**05** **Wednesday, 4th November**



There will be a consolation Mass for the late **Mr. Paul Yao Sikpe** at **5:00pm.**

**06** **Next Sunday, 8th November**



There would be a meeting for **Keta-Akatsi Union** just after Mass.

**07** **Saturday, 7th November**



We will be having our **Jubilee Community cleanup** at **Dome** at **7:00am.**

# FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The family of Sikpe writes to announce the sudden demise of their son, **Mr. Paul Yao Sikpe.**

**FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER**



Collection of the body to his hometown, **Shia.**

**SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER**



Burial Mass at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church,** Shia at **9:00am.**

**SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER**



Thanksgiving Mass at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church,** Shia at **8:00am.**



Buried Mass for the late
**Christine Wisdom Hoclan**
will be on **Saturday, 7th November.**




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ONE MASS AT
7:00AM.

PROGRAM OUTLINE




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## PROPOSED EVENTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Saturday, September 26, 2026 | Aerobics | Anniversary Shirt |
| THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026 | JUBILEE ROSARY STARTS | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SATURDAY, OCT. 17TH, 2026 | JUBILEE COMMUNITY HEALTH/ BREAST CANCER SCREENING | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SUNDAY, OCT. 18TH, 2026 | REP YOUR SCHOOL | OLD SCHOOL CLOTH / UNIFORM |
| SATURDAY OCT. 31ST, 2026 | JUBILEE ROSARY PROCESSION | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| WEDNESDAY NOV. 4TH, 2026 | MEMORIAL MASS | BLACK & WHITE |
| SATURDAY NOV. 7TH, 2026 | DOME COMMUNITY CLEAN UP | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SATURDAY NOV. 14TH, 2026 | COOKING COMP./GAMES | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SATURDAY NOV. 21ST, 2026 | AEROBICS,CLEAN UP BORBORBOR | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SUNDAY NOV. 22ND, 2026 | EXHIBITION OF RELIGION RELIES AND OTHER STARTS | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SUNDAY NOV. 22ND, 2026 | JUBILEE CHORAL | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| FRIDAY NOV. 27TH, 2026 | CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION FLOAT | ANNIVERSARY SHIRT |
| SUNDAY NOV. 29TH, 2026 | ANNIVERSARY CLIMAX MASS | ANNIVERSARY CLOTH |

Celebration

# MASS IN GALLERY
















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

# GROUPS AND SOCIETIES

| | NAME | CONTACTS |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | St. Cecilia Choir | 024 441 8116 |
| 2 | St. Mary's Choir | 024 208 5310 |
| 3 | St. Ambrose Choir | 024 745 6192 |
| 4 | St. Cecilia Media Team | 020 902 6040 |
| 5 | St. Anthony's Guild | 050 289 4376 |
| 6 | Legion of Mary | 024 232 6010 |
| 7 | Israel Group | 024 366 9255 |
| 8 | Voice of Cecilia | 024 998 3485 |
| 9 | Keta-Akatsi Union | 024 402 2546 |
| 10 | Perpetual Help Confraternity | 024 401 1156 |
| 11 | Catholic Women | 024 622 6887 |
| 12 | Men Fellowship | 024 277 6578 |
| 13 | The Youth | 024 284 3595 |
| 14 | Good Shepherd | 024 401 1156 |
| 15 | Christian Mother's Association | 024 672 3213 |
| 16 | Sacred Heart Confraternity | 055 227 5414 |
| 17 | Knights & Ladies of Marshall | - |
| 18 | Ushers | 054 055 2997 |

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