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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

8TH AUGUST, 2021: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME,
YEAR B

THEME FOR THE WEEK: **"BREAD THAT SATISFIES"**

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Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Kwofie (Assistant Priest) 0206355610

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SS Thomas More and John Fisher Catholic Church - 030-3939862

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading 1Kgs 19:4-8

The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

**TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS
GOOD.**

Second Reading: Eph 4:30-5:2

The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading: Jn 6:41-51

Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

REFLECTION

In today's reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week's Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.

WEEKLY READINGS

MON 9TH AUGUST, 2021 ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS DT 10:12-22 PS 147:12-13,14-15,19-20 MT 17:22-27	TUE 10TH AUGUST, 2021 ST. LAWRENCE 2COR 9:6-10 PS 112:1-2,5-6,7-8,9 JN 12:24-26
WED 11TH AUGUST, 2021 ST. CLAIRE DT 34:1-12 PS 66:1-3A,5,8,16-17 MT 18:15-20	THU 12TH AUGUST, 2021 ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL JOS 3:7-10A,11,13-17 PS 114:1-2,3-4,5-6 MT 18:21-19:1
FRI 13TH AUGUST, 2021 STS. PONTIAN & HIPPLYTUS JOS 24:1-13 PS 136:1-3,16-18,21-22 2PT 1:16-19 MT 19:3-12	SAT 14TH AUGUST, 2021 ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE JOS 24:14-29 PS 16:1-2A,5,7-8 MT 19:13-15

Readings for Next Sunday

First Reading	Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 45:10-12,16
Second Reading	1Cor 15:20-27
Gospel	Lk 1:39-56

Mass Schedule

<i>St. Thomas More</i>	<i>St. John Fisher</i>
First Mass: 7:00 am	First Mass: 6:30 am
Second Mass: 9:00 am	Second Mass: 8:30 am
	Third Mass: 10:30 am



KNOW MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH

CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE

SOLIDARITY

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that "if you want peace, work for justice."¹ The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

- Genesis 12:1-3 - God blessed Israel so that all nations would be blessed through it.
- Psalms 72 - Living in right relationship with others brings peace.
- Psalms 122 - Peace be with you! For the sake of the Lord, I will seek your good.
Zechariah 8:16 - These are the things you should do: Speak truth, judge well, make peace.
- Matthew 5:9 - Blessed are the peacemakers, they will be called children of God.
- Matthew 5:21-24 - Be reconciled to one another before coming to the altar.
- Romans 13:8-10 - Living rightly means to love one another.
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 - If one member of Christ's body suffers, all suffer. If one member is honored, all rejoice.
- Colossians 3:9-17 - Above all, clothe yourself with love and let the peace of Christ reign in your hearts.
- 1 John 3:16-18 - The love of God in us is witnessed to by our willingness to lay down our lives for others as Christ did for us

Developing countries, where the most important reserves of the biosphere are found, continue to fuel the development of richer countries at the cost of their own present and future. The land of the southern poor is rich and mostly unpolluted, yet access to ownership of goods and resources for meeting vital needs is inhibited by a system of commercial relations and ownership which is structurally perverse. . . . As the United States bishops have said, greater attention must be given to "the needs of the poor, the weak and the vulnerable, in a debate often dominated by more powerful interests". We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family. There are no frontiers or barriers, political or social, behind which we can hide, still less is there room for the globalization of indifference. (Pope Francis, *On Care for Our Common Home* [Laudato Si'], no. 52, quoting United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Global Climate Change: A Plea for Dialogue, Prudence and the Common Good*).

To be continued

PRAYER FOR GOD'S INTERVENTION IN OUR LAND CASE

Almighty and Merciful Father, we thank you for our faith and for the gift of our church community. We thank you for how far you have brought us as a parish. You have been our refuge in times past and our hope for years to come.

We humbly beseech you to help us win back our Land in this dispute. Save us from violence, discord and confusion and the evil plans of our adversaries.

For the Court of Justice, we pray that you will give them the spirit of Wisdom and Understanding that they may discern the truth and impartially administer the law in the fear of you alone. May they not yield to deceit and acts of bribery and corruption but uphold the truth and let justice prevail.

May your Mother Mary intercede for us and may the Archangel Michael defend us in battle. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

St. Thomas More..... Pray for us


St. John Fisher..... Pray for us

All you Angels and Saints Pray for us

ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary Time

- Liturgical Color
 - Green
 - Growth, hope, and life
- Occurs twice in the year
 - Between Christmas and Lent
 - Between summer and the fall
 - Pentecost-Feast of Christ the King
- Purpose
 - To recall the life of Jesus
 - Reminded that God is always there to help us live as Christians

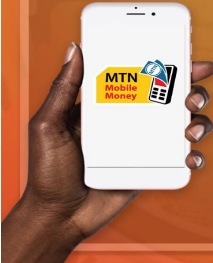




Help Us Build

A new Children Service Block @ SS Thomas More & John Fisher Parish

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
 Acc No. 1117000222801
 Bank: NIB Branch Abeka
 Mobile Money: 059 585 0922



How to make all church statutory payments through MTN momo Ss Thomas more & John fisher
059 585 0922

Dial *170#
 Select Option 2
 Select Option 1
 Enter Merchant ID: **247834**
 Enter Amt
 Enter Reference: eg. *Dues*
 Enter your Momo pin
 Send

MOTIVATION


JUST BE

The Story:

One evening, after spending several days with his new wife, a man leaned over and whispered into her ear, "I love you." She smiled – and the man smiled back – and she said, "When I'm eighty years old and I'm thinking back on my entire life, I know I will remember this moment." A few minutes later, she drifted off to sleep. The man was left with the silence of the room and the soft sound of his wife's breathing. He stayed awake, thinking about everything they had done together, from their first date to their first vacation together and ultimately to their big wedding.

These were just some of the life choices that the couple had made together that had led to this very moment of silence in the presence of each other.

YOUTH CORNER



KPEHE DEANERY CATHOLIC LADIES PRESENTS

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REV. FR. PATRICK QUARCOPOME

THEME Living a healthy life, preserving the future generations

ACTIVITIES Social Interactions
 Talk on Cervical Cancer
 Talk on the Church and Contraception
 Screening (Breast)
 Blood Donation and More



DR. NEETA ASAMOAH MANU GYIMAH

DATE Saturday 21st August, 2021 - 8AM

VENUE St. John Fisher, New Achimota

For more information, sponsorship or support, kindly contact 057 125 3756

Make it a point to be present for this program. **Good health** is a treasure and as such maintaining it must be a primary focus.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Parishioners who wish to redeem their harvest pledges, pay their church dues and other statutory payments can use the Church's Mobile Money Number **0595850922**. Receipts for such payments will be issued later for collection.

2. Due to the directive to register worshippers we encourage parishioners to follow the link to register for Mass <http://thomasmorejohnfisher.com/#ChurchAttendance> You can also call the priests or send an SMS or WhatsApp with your details to be registered.

3. We are encouraged to adhere to all the covid protocols and directives namely: The Online or Manual Registrations, hand washing, checking of temperature, using of hand sanitizer and socially distancing during mass. Let us kindly cooperate with the ushers in keeping our church safe.

6. Marriage Banns: **2ND Publication** between Valentine Mba and Augustina Mba.

7. The funeral details of Mrs. Agnes Agbomadzi Sena is as follows: Friday 20th August, 2021, Family gathering and Laying in state. Saturday 21st August, 2021, Burial Mass at STM at 8:00am. Sunday 22nd August, 2021, Thanksgiving at STM at 9:00am.

8. The funeral details of Mr. Francis Hagan is as follows: Saturday 21st August, 2021, Burial Mass at St. John the Baptist at Saltpond. Dress code: Black & Red. Sunday 22nd August, 2021, Thanksgiving Mass at St. John the Baptist. Dress code: Black & White.

9. The Young Christian Workers are inviting you to their monthly meeting next Sunday 15th August, 2021 at STM after the 7:00 Mass. Side attraction: Brief but insightful talk titled "**Preparing for Retirement**". All young adults are encouraged to attend this meeting for Financial and Personal Development.

10. The St. Vincent de Paul Society has resumed the Community and Society visitations to their wards (Sick & Aged). The month of August's visitation will be done by the Charismatic Renewal and the month of September by the Northern Union.

PASTORAL CARE

Sacrament of Confession: Every Saturday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

Sacrament of Baptism of Infants: *First Saturday of every month. Please call at the Church's office for a baptismal form. Instructions: Thursday preceding the date for baptism @ 5pm*

Visitation to the Sick and Aged: *Thursdays at 7.00 am. Contact the office if you have a sick or aged Person(s) to be visited.*

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements must be made ***at least six months to a year*** with the priests. The couple or one of them must be a registered member of the Church for ***at least 6 months***.

Consultation of Priests: (STM) Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (In the Evenings) Time: 6.30 - 8.00 pm. **(SJF) Wednesdays at 5:00pm.** In case of an emergency, call on the Priest.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday: 9am -1pm & 2 pm - 5pm: and Sunday: 9 am - 1.30pm

SLOGAN: Ss. Thomas More & John Fisher: Besohwɛ!
Ss. Thomas More & John Fisher: Justice and Truth!!
Ss. Thomas More & John Fisher: Pray for us!

THANKS FOR WORSHIPPING
 WITH US.
 HAVE A BLESSED WEEK.

FINANCE CORNER – ST. THOMAS MORE

WEEKDAYS	STM AUGUST WEEK1
SUNDAY	377.00
MONDAY	1035.50
TUESDAY	397.00
WEDNESDAY	1064.30
THURSDAY	1089.90
FRIDAY	729.40
SATURDAY	1238.00
AUGUST BORN	76.00
TOTAL	6007.10

Details of Last Sunday's Collections

SUNDAY	STM AUGUST WEEK1
MAIN COLLECTION	1547.70
TITHE	1548.00
TOTAL	3095.70

FINANCE CORNER – ST. JOHN FISHER

WEEKDAYS	SJF AUGUST WEEK1
SUNDAY	1862.00+\$200
MONDAY	1355.00
TUESDAY	703.00
WEDNESDAY	1171.80
THURSDAY	1881.00+\$4
FRIDAY	6344.00
SATURDAY	735.00
AUGUST BORN	174.00+\$100
TOTAL	14226.50+\$304

Details of Last Sunday's Collections

SUNDAY	SJF AUGUST WEEK1
MAIN COLLECTION	2850.50+\$20
TITHE	315.00
TOTAL	3165.50+\$20

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS.