



# SS. THOMAS MORE AND JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH, ACHIMOTA.

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

13TH NOVEMBER, 2022: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME, YEAR C.

THEME FOR THE WEEK: **“PERSEVERANCE IN THE  
FACE OF PERSECUTION ”**

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### TODAY'S READINGS

*First Reading:* Mal 3:19-20a

The day of justice is coming, says the Lord.

*Responsorial Psalm:* Ps 98:5-9

**THE LORD COMES TO JUDGE THE PEOPLES  
WITH FAIRNESS.**

*Second Reading:* 2Thes 3:7-12

Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

*Gospel Reading:* Lk 21:5-19

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

### REFLECTION

Luke in today's Gospel has Jesus at the end of teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are threatening and worrisome. However, He is assuring us, that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties. There are times we will face persecution for our belief and conviction in the Lord. Perseverance in the face of these persecutions will lead to us our salvation.

### WEEKLY READINGS

Mon 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

Rev 1:1-4;2:1-5

Ps 1:1-4,6

Lk 18:35-43

Tue 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

St. Albert the Great

Rev 3:1-6,14-22

Ps 15:2-5

Lk 19:1-10

Wed 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

Sts. Margaret of Scotland &  
Gertrude the Great

Rev 4:1-11

Ps 150:1-6

Lk 19:11-28

Thurs 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Rev 5:1-10

Ps 149:1-6,9

Lk 19:41-44

Fri 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

The Dedication of the Basilicas  
of the Apostles Peter & Paul in  
Rome.

Rev 10:8-11

Ps 119:14,24,72,103,111,131

Lk 19:45-48

Sat 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

Rev 11:4-12

Ps 144:1-2,9-10

Lk 20: 27-40

### Readings for Next Sunday – CHRIST THE KING

First Reading	2Sam 5:1-3
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 122:1-2,4-5
Second Reading	Col 1:12-20
Gospel	Lk 23:35-43

### Mass Schedule

<i>St. Thomas More</i>	<i>St. John Fisher</i>
First Mass: 7:00 AM	First Mass: 6:30 AM
Second Mass: 9:30 AM	Second Mass: 9:30 AM



## KNOW MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH

### MARKS OF THE CHURCH CATHOLIC - Cont'd

**Apostolic:** Jesus spent three years teaching, performing miracles, and gathering followers. Among those followers were twelve unique individuals called the Apostles. They were called by Jesus to spend extra time with Him, to gain deep insights into His teachings, and then go forth to the ends of the Earth to proclaim the Gospel. In John 20:21, Jesus says to His Apostles after the resurrection:

As the Father sent me, so now I send you. And when He had said this He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit..."

This begins the apostolic mission of the Church. Jesus was sent to bring the Good News to all. And now He was entrusting this very mission of His to the Apostles. It was now their responsibility to carry this mission out as unique members of the Church acting in the very Person of Christ the Head.

"Apostolic succession" is a term we often use to explain that these twelve Apostles then went and spread the Gospel and passed on this unique mission of being Christ the Head to other Apostles. This continues on until today in the persons of our bishops. Every bishop alive today could technically trace their line of ordination back to the Apostles and to this one moment where Jesus bestowed his grace on the Apostles by breathing the Holy Spirit on them. Priests also share in this mission in a unique way in that they are called to cooperate with the bishop in his ministry.

To be apostolic, the Church must also seek to spread the Gospel to all peoples. This can refer to parents teaching their children how to pray and how to get holy. It can refer to the task of bringing the Gospel into the workplace and society. It can refer to the work of missionaries going abroad sharing the Gospel with those who do not know Christ. The apostolate is a sharing in the one mission of Christ. The mission that the Father sent Him to do. And it is the mission that He, in turn, passed on to the Church. We all share in this mission, so let's get to work!

## 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.

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| St. Thomas More.....            | Pray for us |
| St. John Fisher.....            | Pray for us |
| All you Angels and Saints ..... | Pray for us |

## UPCOMING SEASON



SS. Thomas More & John Fisher Parish, Achimota

On behalf of the Harvest Committee, we wish to express our profound gratitude to all parishioners for your gift offerings, funds and time towards a successful Harvest for the year 2022.

**God Bless Us All.**

Signed:  
Harvest Committee Chairman

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**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

### YOU GET WHAT YOU GIVE

“Once, there was a farmer who regularly sold butter to a baker. One day, the baker decided to weigh the butter to see if he was getting the exact amount that he asked for. He found out that he wasn’t, so he took the farmer to court.

The judge asked the farmer if he uses any measure to weigh the butter. The farmer replied, ‘Your Honor, I’m primitive. I don’t have a proper measure, but I do have a scale.’

The judge replied, “Then how do you weigh the butter?”

The farmer replied; “Your Honor, long before the baker started buying butter from me, I have been buying a pound loaf of bread from him. Every day, when the baker brings the bread, I put it on the scale and give him the same weight in butter. If anyone is to be blamed, it’s the baker.’

**Moral of the story:** In life, you get what you give. Don’t try to cheat others.

## YOUTH CORNER

SS. Thomas More and John Fisher P.C.

**Youth Month 2022**

Theme:  
*Working together for Christ*  
Ecc. 12:1 #getinvolved

**Nov. 5** | Grotto Devotions @ SJF - 4pm

**Nov. 12** | Deanery Games @ Legon Campus

**Nov. 20** | Quiz @ STM - 9 :30am

**Nov. 26** | Trip & Fun Day Out

**Nov. 27** | Thanksgiving (Sneaker Sunday) @ STM - 7:00am  
Roots Night @ SJF - 4:30pm

STM - St. Thomas More, Achimota School. GA-246-1294  
SJF - SS. Thomas More & John Fisher, New Achimota GA-301-1234

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. We are reminded and encouraged to pay our Harvest Levy of GH¢100 per adult, GH¢50 per working youth, GH¢20 per child or more, redeem our Pledges and other financial obligations.
2. The Youth month trip dubbed PROBLEM NO DEY FINISH is scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at Magjoy Royal Beach Resort, Winneba. You can register for this fun filled trip for a fee of GH¢150.00.
3. **Marriage Banns: 2<sup>nd</sup> Publication between:**
  1. Collins Kwasi Yeboah and Velma Angela Sam
  2. Marcel Senami Adounsi and Marie-Michelle Stella Gbedote Amagbegnon
4. **The funeral arrangements:**  
Mrs. Josephine Esie Adadevoh
  - ❖ Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November: Filing Past at 7.30am and Burial Mass at 9.00am at SJF. Attire: White.
  - ❖ Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November: Thanksgiving mass at SJF at 9.30am. Attire: White.
  - ❖ Final Funeral Rites at Enterprise Insurance Guest House, Airport Residential Area at 1.00pm

Mr. Godwin Fenu, father of Mad. Peace Fenu, a member of the Christian Mothers Association and Ushers Ministry.

  - ❖ Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022: Laying in state at his residence at Nsawam.
  - ❖ Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2022: Burial Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Nsawam.
  - ❖ Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2022: Thanksgiving Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Nsawam.

## PASTORAL CARE

**Sacrament of Confession:** Every Saturday from 5.00pm at SJF and from 6.30pm at STM.

**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 @ STM.*

**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 NOV. WEEK1
SUNDAY	560.00
MONDAY	1675.00
TUESDAY	942.00
WEDNESDAY	378.20
THURSDAY	1705.00
FRIDAY	363.00
SATURDAY	130.00
NOV. BORNS	246.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5999.20</b>

Details of Last  
Sunday's  
Collections

SUNDAY	STM NOV. WEEK1
MAIN COLLECTION	1588.40
SILVER COLLECTION	726.00
TITHE	240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2554.40</b>

# FINANCE CORNER – ST. JOHN FISHER

## Details of Last Sunday's Collections

WEEKDAYS	SJF NOV. WEEK1
SUNDAY	1177.00
MONDAY	2506.00
TUESDAY	605.90
WEDNESDAY	846.00
THURSDAY	1554.00
FRIDAY	1213.00
SATURDAY	920.00
NOV. BORNS	226.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9047.90</b>

SUNDAY	SJF NOV. WEEK1
MAIN COLLECTION	3196.10
TITHE	30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3226.10</b>

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS.**



SS THOMAS MORE & JOHN FISHER  
PARISH

## Have You Paid Your Harvest Levy



Payments can be  
made through **059 585 0922**

Adult	-	<b>100.00</b>
Youth	-	<b>50.00</b>
Kids	-	<b>20.00</b> or more



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## Help Us Build

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

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