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PENTECOST

Sunday

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



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They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in different tongues,
as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Acts 2:4

24TH MAY 2026



JOURNEY TO A CENTURY

— 1931 • 2026 —

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

24TH MAY, 2026

PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR A

Theme for the Week

PENTECOST SUNDAY "THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH"

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11: The Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles gathered in Jerusalem.

Responsorial Psalm; Psalm 104:1ab, & 24ac, 29bc-30, 31 & 34:

LORD, SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT, AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12,13: We are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-23: Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

REFLECTION

Fifty days after celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and ten days after His glorious Ascension into heaven, we celebrate Pentecost Sunday — the birthday of the Church. This is indeed a day of deep joy and holy pride for us as Catholics, for it was on this very day that the Church was born.

Just as God breathed life into man at creation by bestowing the breath of life upon him, so too did He give life to the Church through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room. What was once a frightened and scattered community becoming, in an instant, a bold and Spirit-filled Church sent forth to proclaim the Good News to all nations.

As Saint Paul reminds us, the same Spirit distributes different gifts to different members, yet it is the same Spirit working in all for the common good. We are many members, yet one body.

Therefore, beloved, what is expected of us is to continuously allow the Holy Spirit — the Counsellor promised by Christ, who proceeds from the Father and the Son — to direct, guide, and animate the Church. Let Him lead us to speak the truth, bear good fruits through His sevenfold gifts, and reveal to the Church all she needs to know, teach, and safeguard faithfully. Come, Holy Spirit.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL THEME (2026)

SENT TO WITNESS: LIVING THE GOSPEL EVERY DAY (MATHEW 5:16)

CLERGY

REV. FR. PATRICK AGBEKO

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- +1 646 9544 711 WhatsApp Only

REV. FR. CLEMENT QUAGRAINE

- 0248329194

REV. FR. EVANS HALOLO

- 0245430895

REV. FR. DELASE ATSU PARKU

- 0244607526

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

STM: Tue - Fri @ 6:15 AM

SJF: Mon - Fri @ 6:15 AM

Sat: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00-6:30 am, **Mass:** 6:30 am

Sunday Mass

ST. THOMAS MORE

1st Mass: 7:00 - 9:00 am

2nd Mass: 9:30 - 11:30 am

ST. JOHN FISHER

1st Mass: 6:30 - 8:30 am

2nd Mass: 9:30 - 11:30 am

OTHER PARISH ACTIVITIES

Bible Sharing (**SJF**) Every Wednesday @ 6:30 PM

First Thursday of the month, Adoration at **STM** @ 6:30 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament @ (**SJF**) First Friday of the month - After Morning Mass, followed by ADORATION in the evening at 7

Infant Baptism – 1ST Sat. @ STM -7 am
Grotto Devotion (SJF) First Saturday of the month @ 4:00 PM



**SS. THOMAS MORE & JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC PARISH
NEW ACHIMOTA**

**95 YEARS OF
FAITH, GRACE & MISSION**

ROOTED IN CHRIST.
READY FOR THE NEXT CENTURY.





Most Rev. Anthony Narh Asare
Auxiliary Bishop of Accra

FEAST DAY PROPER
Sunday, 28th June 2026
(8:30AM)
Ss. Thomas More & John Fisher Church




ANNIVERSARY CLIMAX
Sunday, 1st November 2026
(All Saints Day)
(8:30AM)
Ss. Thomas More & John Fisher Church



Most Rev. John Bonaventure Kwofie, CSSp
Metropolitan Archbishop of Accra


A Journey of Faith. A Future of Hope. A Legacy of Love.

ALL ARE WARMLY INVITED!



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






Have You Paid Your Harvest Levy?

Adult - 200.00
Youth - 100.00
Kids - 50.00

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


For more info: 030 393 1800



**KPEHE DEANERY
CATHOLIC YOUTH COUNCIL**

PRESENTS

Career Talk & Skills Training Program



27th June 2026
8:00 AM

St. Thomas Aquinas Chaplaincy, Legon


Program Outline:

- Holy Mass
- Career Talk Session
- Skills Training Workshops

Training Areas:

- Liquid Soap Making
- Introduction to AI Development

Water will be provided for all parishes Vendors for snacks will be available

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CATHOLIC YOUTH COUNCIL**

Career Workshop & Training Program



CALL FOR VENDORS

Vendor Fee: **100.00**
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We are inviting vendors to be part of our upcoming Career Workshop event.

27th June, 2026
8:00 AM

St. Thomas Aquinas Chaplaincy, Legon

Vendor Categories Needed:
Pop corn • Local Drinks
Pastries • Yam Chips

FOR REGISTRATION:
0202288547 (JOYCE)

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KNOW YOUR FAITH

Decoding Pentecost

Pentecost, the beginning and birthday of the Church, is an annual feast that closes out the Easter season, 50 days after the resurrection is celebrated. The word Pentecost has its root in the Greek word that means five. (One can see where the word pentagon comes from.) It is also a word that was used in Judaism during the time of Jesus, as Pentecost was the word used for the harvest festival Shavuot.

The Christian celebration has its origins in the Acts of the Apostles, in Acts 2:1-12, where the early disciples experienced the filling of the Holy Spirit promised by Jesus. Acts also states, "While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This,' he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now'" (Acts 1:4-5).

This Third Person of the Holy Trinity is known by a variety of names in Christian theology; one name is Paraclete. The name Paraclete means educator, intercessor, teacher, helper and comforter. These names describe how the Holy Spirit is present in the Church and is present with God's people. The Spirit is sent to remind us of all that Jesus said and taught. The Holy Spirit makes everything possible. These meanings highlight why meditating on the feast of Pentecost is an important thing to do. With the whole Church throughout the ages, we may rightfully pray, "Come, Holy Spirit. Come!" Amen,

Fr. Dave Caron, O.P.



MOTIVATION

Story of Hope

The famous Scottish poet Robert Louis Stevenson fell ill with tuberculosis. His strength had weakened so much that he couldn't move his right hand and was unable to write with it. Robert did not give up and learned to write with his left hand, he was able to write it for several days, but unfortunately, his left hand also weakened, and he was no longer able to move it.

Robert did not despair and asked one of his friends to come to him to write his literary works. The malignant disease reached his tongue, and he was unable to speak. Despite all this, Robert did not give up and learned sign language, and he started using some of his fingers to write some verses of poetry.

Robert Stephenson lost speech and movement. Despite everything he was exposed to, he was able to conquer his weaknesses and achieve great success with his wonderful literary works.

The moral of the story: Life is hope; he who loses hope loses life.

Youth Corner

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are reminded and encouraged to pay our Harvest levy of GH¢200 per Adult, GH¢100 per working Youth, and GH¢50 per child. Those in arrears of the Harvest Levy and pledges are entreated to redeem them. Those who have pledged for the Legacy of Hope Project are also reminded and encouraged to fulfill their obligations and settle all other Church Financial Commitments. (e.g., Church Dues, Welfare Dues, and Building Fund).
- **Societal Meeting Days:**
 - The New Achimota, Akweteyman, Kopevi & Achimota Town Community meet every 3rd Sunday of the month at SJF.
 - The Young Christian Workers meet every 3rd Sunday of the month at STM.
 - The Ave Maria Society meets every 2nd Sunday of the month at STM.
 - The Northern Union meets every 1st Sunday of the month at STM.
 - The Christian Mothers Association meets every 3RD Sunday of the month at STM/SJF.
 - St. Theresa of the Child Jesus meets every 1st Sunday of the month at STM & 3RD Sunday at SJF.
 - The Holy Family Akan Kuo meets every 1st Sunday of the month at STM.
 - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul meets every fourth Sunday of the month at STM.
 - St. Francis of Assisi Nigerian Community meets every 1st Sunday of the month at SJF.
- **Marriage Banns:**
- **Death Report:**
- **Funeral Arrangements:**

Of the late **Mad Mary Rose Anwabiri**, mother of Jocelyn Dery member of the Usher ministry, is as follows:

 - **Tuesday 28th May, 2026:** Wake & Lying in state at Ola Parish Bolga at 08:00 pm.
 - **Saturday 29th May, 2026:** Conveyance of body from Bolga to Lawra Dikpe at 12:00 am.
 - **Interment:** Family Cemetery Lawra Dikpe
 - **Sunday 31st May 2026:** Thanksgiving Mass at Lawra Dikpe Catholic Church at 8:00 am.
- The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to remind the society of St. Theresa of Child Jesus of their visit to the wards in Achimota Group A, in May 2026, and the Youth in Alogboshie in June 2026.
- **Offertory for next Sunday:**
 - @STM: 7:00 am & 9:30am Mass: Open to Parishioners.
 - @SJF 6:30 am & 9:30 am Mass: Open to parishioners.



PASTORAL CARE

CONFESSIONS - Every Saturday, 5 pm at SJF & 6:30 pm at STM

BAPTISM - First Saturday of every month. Please visit the Parish Office for the baptismal form.

VISITATION TO THE SICK AND AGED
Tuesday @ 7 am. Contact the Parish Office to make visit requests.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Arrangements must be made AT LEAST SIX (6) MONTHS in advance of the proposed date and prior to the social arrangements. At least one partner in the couple must be a registered member of the Church for at least 6 months.

CONSULTATION OF PRIESTS
STM – Tue 6.30 PM – 8:00 PM, Wed & Thu, 6:30 AM- 7:30 AM
SJF – Mon/Wed, 5:00 PM

Contact the Priest (s) directly for emergencies

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Tues–Friday, 9 am to 1 pm & 2 pm to 5 pm
Sundays 9 am -1.30 pm

SPECIAL MINISTRIES
Catechists - **0244505356**

Missionary Animators-
0205860277/0540911949

Knights & Ladies of the altar-
0246231722/0555734484

Lectors – **0242743399**

Marriage & family life

Ushers – **0245295099**

Eucharistic Ministers - **0506444693**

**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

95TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for the gift of our parish, for 95 years of faith, grace, and blessings.

As we journey towards our Centenary, help us to remain rooted in Christ, firm in faith, steadfast in hope, and active in love and service.

Renew in us, O Lord, a deeper commitment to our Catholic faith.

Revive in our hearts the zeal to serve, the courage to witness, and the openness to respond to your call.

Bless our families, strengthen our communities, and inspire many vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and holy Christian living.

Through the intercession of our patron saints, St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, grant us the grace to remain faithful, even in times of trial, and to be true witnesses of your truth and love. May this anniversary be for us a time of renewal, unity, and mission, as we prepare joyfully for the next century

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Weekly Readings

Monday (25/05/2026)	1 Pt 1:3-9 / Ps 111:1,5-6,9 & 10c / Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday (26/05/2026) St. Philip Neri	1 Pt 1:10-16 / Ps98:1,2-3ab,3cd-4 / Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday (27/05/2026)	1 Pt 1:18-25 / Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20 / Mk 10:32-45
Thursday (28/05/2026)	1 Pt 2:2-5,9-12 / Ps 100:2,3,4,5 / Mk 10:46-52
Friday (29/05/2026)	1 Pt 4:7-13 / Ps 96:10-11-12,13 / Mk 11:11-26
Saturday (30/05/2026)	Jude 17,20b-25 / Ps 63:2,3-4,5-6 / Mk 11:27-33
READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (THE HOLY TRINITY)	Ex 34:4b-6,8-9 / Dn 3:52,53,54,55,56(52b) / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

FINANCE CORNER



ST. THOMAS MORE

STM – May									
WEEK DAYS	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	TOTAL	RANKS	Breakdown Of Last Sunday's Collection	
Sun.	1980.80	-	20.00					MAIN COLLECTION	3650.00
Mon.	2834.00	580.00	100.00					SECOND COLLECTION	2489.50
Tue.	1568.00	-	600.00					THANKSGIVING	1450.00
Wed.	1221.00	-	-					TITHE	140.00
Thur.	3136.00	-	430.00					OFFERTORY ENVE.	550.00
Fri.	808.00	50.00	300.00						
Sat.	1277.00	-	-						
May.	266.00	-	-						
Total	13090.80	630.00	1450.00					TOTAL	8279.50

ST. JOHN FISHER

SJF – May									
WEEK DAYS	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	TOTAL	RANKS	Breakdown Of Last Sunday's Collection	
Sun.	2511.00	-	150.00					MAIN COLLECTION	6305.00
Mon.	5229.20	-	-					SECOND COLLECTION	3482.20
Tue.	2677.00	-	-					THANKSGIVING	2445.00
Wed.	2470.50	-	25.00					TITHE	1750.00
Thur.	3133.00	-	-					OFFERTORY ENVE.	900.00
Fri.	5430.50	-	70.00						
Sat.	4098.50	-	2200.00						
May.	334.00	-	-						
Total	25883.70	-	2445.00					TOTAL	14882.20

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS.