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Fostering Spiritual Growth, Compassion, and Service,

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

3RD MAY, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

Theme for the Week

LET US ALWAYS ASK CHRIST TO DIRECT OUR WAYS.

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7: The early Christian community chooses seven people to serve at table so that the Twelve can devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the word

Responsorial Psalm; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19:
THE LORD IS MERCIFUL TOWARD THOSE WHO TRUST HIM.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9: Those who have faith are chosen in Christ to be a holy priesthood.

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-12: Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life.

REFLECTION

Beloved in Christ, though today is the Fifth Sunday of Easter, the Church draws us back to the upper room, where Jesus spoke the most tender and radical words of the entire Gospel to troubled hearts: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." He did not promise the absence of trouble. He promised something far greater, that the one who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life was standing among them, and that this presence was sufficient for every road they would ever have to walk. Thomas voiced the question every lost and frightened heart eventually asks: "Lord, we do not know where you are going — how can we know the way?" Jesus answered not with a map but with Himself: "I am the Way." This is the irreducible heart of today's Gospel. We are not called to master a system or navigate alone. We are called to ask — always, daily, urgently, humbly — the one who is Himself the direction of every step.

To ask Christ to direct our ways is to acknowledge what fear and self-reliance constantly deny. The Emmaus disciples discovered it — the solution was not in their fearful analysis but in the one already walking beside them. Peter discovered it at Pentecost — courage became available the moment he stopped directing himself and allowed the Spirit to lead. Brothers and sisters, we are on day thirty-six of our fifty-day Easter journey. The Risen Christ is walking beside us still. Let us not wait until the crossroads becomes unbearable. Let us always remember to ask constantly, knowing that He who said "I am the Way" has never once declined for any soul that asked.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL THEME (2026)

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

CLERGY

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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

Have You Paid Your Harvest Levy?



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YOUR VOCATIONS YOUR CAREER

3RD MAY 2026

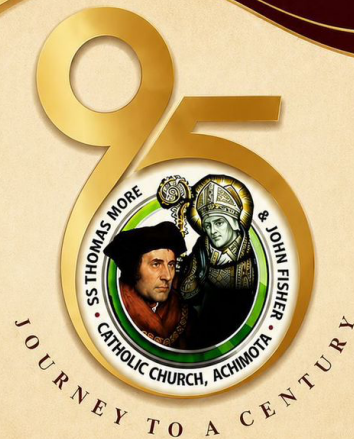
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KNOW YOUR FAITH

THE PASCHAL CANDLE: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

Continuation

The candle may also be used at funeral services and placed next to the casket during a funeral Mass. At funeral services, it is a reminder that the sacrament of Baptism is itself a death and resurrection in Christ and testifies to Christian certainty in the resurrection of the dead and life with Christ in the world to come.

This candle, also called the Easter Candle, originated in the earliest days of Christianity, when evening prayer began with the lighting of a candle. This practice was probably inspired by the Jewish custom of lighting a lamp after the Sabbath. Historical references mention the Lucernarium, the evening prayer rite with which the early Christians began each Sunday vigil. The lighting of the candle dispelled the darkness and represented Christ—the Light of the World.

The word "paschal" is the equivalent of the Greek paschos, derived from the Aramaic pashā and Hebrew "pesah," meaning "the passing over." In the Old Testament, it refers to the night the Israelites left Egypt for the Promised Land, when God struck the houses of the Egyptians but left the Israelites untouched, thus "passing over" or sparing them.



MOTIVATION Two Little Mice

A group of blind men heard that a strange animal, called an elephant, had been brought to the town, but none of them were aware of its shape and form. Out of curiosity, they said: "We must inspect and know it by touch, of which we are capable". So, they sought it out, and when they found it, they groped about it.

The first person, whose hand landed on the trunk, said, "This being is like a thick snake". For another one whose hand reached its ear, it seemed like a kind of fan. Another person, whose hand was upon its leg, said, the elephant is a pillar like a tree trunk. The blind man who placed his hand upon its side said the elephant, "Is a wall". Another who felt its tail described it as a rope. The last felt its tusk, stating the elephant is that which is hard, smooth, and like a spear.

Moral: Each of our perspectives can be true yet incomplete. More things can be true at once..

Youth Corner

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BOOK US TODAY

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:**
 - The death is reported of Mr. Dennis Guddah, father of Nii Ayi Guddah, a former member of the amalgamated community and KSJI. Funeral details will be announced later. Let's remember the family in prayers during this difficult time.
- **Funeral Arrangements:**
- 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 2025 and the Youth in Alogboshie in June 2026.
- **Offertory for next Sunday:**
 - @STM: 7:00 am Mass: Ave Maria Society & 9:30 am Mass: Open to Parishioners.
 - @SJF 6:30 am Mass: Open to Parishioners & 9:30 am Mass: Alogboshie community.



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-
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Marriage & family life

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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

Weekly Readings

Monday (04/05/2026)	Acts 14:5-18 / Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 / Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday (05/05/2026)	Acts 14:19-28 / 145:10-11, 12-13ab. 2 / Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday (06/05/2026) St. Dominic Savio	Acts 15:1-6 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 / Jn 15:1-8
Thursday (07/05/2026)	Acts 15:7-21 / Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 / Jn 15:9-11
Friday (08/05/2026)	Acts 15:22-31 / Ps 57:8-9,10 & 12 / Jn 15:12-17
Saturday (09/05/2026)	Acts 16:1-10 / Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 / Jn 15:18-21
READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 8:5-8. 14-17 / Ps 66:1-3, 6-7, 16. 20 / 1 Pt 2:4-9 / Jn 14:15-21

FINANCE CORNER



ST. THOMAS MORE

STM – APRIL								
WEEK DAYS	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	TOTAL	RANKS	Breakdown Of Last Sunday's Collection	
Sun.	1301.00	-	-	20.00	1321.00	4TH	MAIN COLLECTION	3236.60
Mon.	1046.00	-	-	500.00	1546.00	2ND	SECOND COLLECTION	2094.50
Tue.	1539.00	500.00	10.00	5.00	2054.00	1ST	THANKSGIVING	550.00
Wed.	665.50	-	100.00	20.00	785.50	6TH	TITHE	-
Thur.	655.50	-	50.00	-	705.50	7TH	OFFERTORY ENVE.	955.00
Fri.	1005.50	-	-	5.00	1010.50	5TH		-
Sat.	1172.50	200.00	-	-	1372.50	3RD	<i>CFA</i>	<i>1000</i>
Apr.	35.00	-	-	-	35.00	-		-
Total	7420.00	700.00	160.00	550.00	8830.00		TOTAL	6836.10

ST. JOHN FISHER

SJF – APRIL								
WEEK DAYS	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	TOTAL	RANKS	Breakdown Of Last Sunday's Collection	
Sun.	3550.50	-	-	-	3550.50	7TH	MAIN COLLECTION	5807.10
Mon.	4263.00	520.00	2100.00	-	6883.00	2ND	SECOND COLLECTION	3758.50
Tue.	3410.00	-	10000.00	2.50	13412.50	1ST	THANKSGIVING	302.50
Wed.	3445.50	5.00	215.00		3665.50	6TH	TITHE	-
Thur.	5666.70	100.00	-		5766.70	3RD	OFFERTORY ENVE.	1020.00
Fri.	3769.50	-	-	100.00	3869.50	5TH		-
Sat.	3081.00	-	1450.00	200.00	4731.00	4TH		-
Apr.	697.00	-	-	-	697.00	-		-
Total	27883.20	625.00	13765.00	302.50	42575.70		TOTAL	10888.10

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS.