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Our Vision:

"CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS"

Our 2017 Mission:

"ARISE, SHINE FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME"
Isaiah 60:1.

A GOOD INDICATOR OF YOUR SPIRITUAL TEMPERATURE IS YOUR EAGERNESS TO COME TO THE CHURCH (PS 122:1). NEVER ALLOW YOUR SEAT TO BE EMPTY FOR AN EMPTY SEAT IS AN EMPTY HEAD AND IN HIS PRESENCE ONLY ARE FULLNESS OF JOY AND PLEASURES.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday, 28th May - Saturday, 3rd June, 2017

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

Sunday Theme: The Holy Spirit, The Individual & The Church

Colour: White

Mr. Adetunji Adekoya
Cathedral Warden

Mr. Bode Ogunlela
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The Bishop, Diocese of Lagos West

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1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 28TH MAY

A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

ROGATION SUNDAY &

ASCENSION FELLOWSHIP ANNIVERSARY

Celebrant: *The Rev. Oladele Odumosu*

O.T. Reading: *Ascension Fellowship*

The Epistle: *Harvest Committee*

The Gospel: *The Rev. Canon A. Ahubelem*

Preacher: *The Dean*

❖ Processional Hymn: VSH 102 -Great is Thy Faithfulness

❖ Worship Songs

❖ The Preparation to Penitence - **The Ven. Gbenga Oniye**

❖ O.T. Reading: Ruth 2:1-End

❖ Psalm: 112

❖ The Epistle: 2 Thess. 3:6-15

❖ Gradual Hymn: CH 624

❖ The Gospel: Luke 19:11-27

❖ Special Anthem Sunday School Children

❖ **Sermon / Bible Teaching (pages 7-9)**

❖ Nicene, Creed

❖ Hymn CH 376 (Abridge) with Rogation Prayers

I. General Thanksgiving for God's endowment upon the earth, Nigeria in particular for oil, fertile ground for sun, moon, stars, rainfall favourable weather the works of our hands and all workers in the church and outside the church – **Sir Chijindu Ibe.**

II. Prayer for God's mercies concerning ways we have mismanaged divine resources, for our idleness and laziness for greed on the part of our leaders in the secular and spiritual set up, for mismanagement and the led of God's resources. That God's mercies shall prevail upon judgement and our land received health – **Mrs Ndidi Uzoh**

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V. Pray for divine intervention in every sector of the Nation, Agriculture, Economy, Education, Politics, Domestic, International etc; for the total restoration of lost glories – **Chidilim Obi.**

❖ The Peace

❖ The Offerings: Choruses

(a) **First Fruit** (b)**Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering**

❖ The Eucharistic Prayers

❖ The Administration: **Sweet Feast of Love Divine (pg 19),** CH 198, 456, 455, VSH 60, 57

❖ The Ablution: CH 377

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PERSONAL ROGATION PRAYER

My Father and my God, I thank you for the work you have assigned and ordained for me to do in the land of the living. Give me grace on daily basis to do the work to your glory and honour alone and for the benefits of mankind. Give me grace and the enablement to do my work to please you and honour you. I acknowledge that you alone can make me what you designed me to be, I therefore leave this area of my life completely to you not only because I love you but because you also deserve my obedience, service and praise.

Let Jesus Christ be made manifest in all I do in my workplace. Let it become difficult for me to sin against you in my work place. Banish devourers, wasters and the spirit of taskmasters from my work, O Lord. Let your will continually be done in all I do for a living. Bless me indeed enlarge my coast, and make me eat the fruit of my labour. Grant me full reward for my work and make me a blessing and a channel of blessing through my work. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you through my work. Bless my bread and my water, take sickness away from me, make me fruitful and not barren in all my endeavours and grant me long life in good health to enjoy the fruit of my work till my ripe old age. Be glorified now and at all times in my life and my work in Jesus name. Amen.

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AVMCC ROGATION DAYS

Rogation days are specific days set aside in Christendom for the purposes of seeking the face of God for FAVOUR upon the works of our hands so that our labour would not amount to a wasted effort. Psalm 127:1-2.

ACTION POINTS

- (a) All members of the Cathedral are expected to prepare prayerfully for this rogation days.
- (b) We must all have faith in our God as we seek His face for open heavens.
- (c) While prayers are mandatory for rogation, fasting is required for those who have the strength.
- (d) We are to bring ITEMS related to our work and businesses to the SANCTUARY of the Lord to be used as point of contact to our LABOURS, as prayers are offered on them.
- (e) Those who desire PRIESTS to visit them for prayer at places of work should indicate via text messages to any of the Priests whose numbers are at the back of the bulletin or MRS FAMADE on 08033109378.
- (f) Rogation Days in AVMCC this year are SUNDAY 28TH MAY, MONDAY, 29TH MAY, TUESDAY 30TH MAY AND WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY.

THE LORD WILL BLESS THE WORK OF OUR HANDS AND ENLARGE OUR COAST IN JESUS NAME. AMEN.

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E. HARVEST NEWS
2017 HARVEST PROGRAMMES

Parishioners are to please note the Harvest Calendar Activities. Please keep the days free in your diaries.

- (1.) Harvest Season Launching Sunday, June 11, 2017
- (2.) Family Harvest Sunday, June 11 – Nov. 2017
- (3.) Children’s Harvest Sunday, July 30, 2017
- (4.) Youth Harvest Sunday, August 27, 2017
- (5.) Corporate/ Professional Sept. – Nov. 2017
- (6.) All Women Harvest Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017
- (7.) Community Hymn Singing Sunday, Sept 17, 2017
- (8.) National Harvest Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017
- (9.) Alma-Mater Harvest Sunday, Oct. 15, 2017
- (10.) Adult Harvest Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017
- (11.) Senior Citizen’s Harvest Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017
- (12.) Greater Chapter/Standing Comm. Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017
- (13.) All Ministries Harvest Day Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017
- (14.) The Diocesan’s Harvest Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017
- (15.) General Thanksgiving Sunday, Nov. 26, 2017
- (16.) Societies’ Harvest Sunday, May- Nov. 2017
- (17.) Evangelical Programmes Sunday, April- Nov. 2017
- (18.) New Month /Month End 1st & Last Sunday

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F. AVMCC CHURCH NEEDS

Dear Parishioners,

Be encouraged to pick one or more of the items listed below to mark your birthday, wedding anniversary and other occasions of joy. Do endeavour to get in touch with the WARDENS for specifications or monetization.

- 1. Tables & Chairs For The Halls
- 2. APC Industrial Ups 10KVA N2,400,000
- 3. LaserJet Network Printer N220-275
- 4. Church Outdoor Signage N300,000
- 5. Church Wall Signage N350,000
- 6. Split Air Conditioner 2HP N182-250,000
- 7. Split Air Conditioner 1.5 HP N110-180,000
- 8. Panasonic Ac Standing 2tons- N345,000
- 9. Panasonic Ac Standing 3tons- N475,000
- 10. Panasonic Ac Standing 2tons- N310,000
- 11. Trumpet/Saxophone, Clarinet N 50,000, 100,000
- 12. *Guitar N150,000
- 13. Keyboard N350,000
- 14. Led TV 40” N155,000
- 15. Led TV 46” N425,000
- 16. Hi Tech Surveillance System N1,800,000
- 17. Mercury Stabilizer 10 KVA N250,000
- 18. Development of our landed properties
- 19. 20 “Sony 4500 Lumen Projector N480,000 (6pcs)
- 20. (5pcs) 80 “ LED TV N2.5m each

GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER NOT A FEARFUL GIVER

- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **The Anniversary:**
 - i. Ascension Fellowship Anthem: CH 382
 - ii. Rededication of All Members
 - iii. Ascension Fellowship, Patrons/Patronesses & The Church
- ❖ **Thanksgiving**
 - i. Rogation Sunday
 - ii. Month End Thanksgiving
 - iii. The Churching of Mrs Abimbola Akinbobola for the gift of a baby girl and God’s numerous blessings.
 - iv. 50th birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Stella Famutimi and God’s numerous blessings.
 - v. 70th birthday thanksgiving of Mr Edward O. Okuromade and God’s numerous blessings.
 - vi. 22nd Remembrance thanksgiving of Late Pa Jacob Umoh (Father of Mary Jacob of Choir) and God’s numerous blessings on the family he left behind.
- ❖ Doxology & Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: Trusting in the Lord (*page 18*)

WE WELCOME ALL OUR FIRST TIMERS IN JESUS NAME.

B. 10.00 am MATTINS
ROGATION SUNDAY

Cantor: *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*
O.T. Reading: *Harvest Committee*
N.T. Reading: *Harvest Committee*
Preacher: *The Dean*

- ❖ Processional Hymns: VSH 157 - Immortal, Invisible..
- ❖ Worship Songs
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Psalm 112
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Ruth 2:1-End
- ❖ Hymn CH 377
- ❖ N.T. Reading: 2 Thess. 3:6-15
- ❖ Apostle’s Creed to Collects
- ❖ Hymn before Sermon: CH 624
- ❖ **Sermon / Bible Teaching (pages 7-9)**
- ❖ Hymn CH 376 (Abridge) with Rogation Prayers
- ❖ Prayers for:

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❖ Offerings: Choruses
(a) First Fruits (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering

❖ **Thanksgiving**
 i. Rogation Sunday
 ii. Month End Thanksgiving
 iii. Thanksgiving after the successful burial of Late Engr. Ayo Akideinde (husband of Chief (Mrs) Ayodele Akideinde) and journey mercies for all concerned.
 iv. 5th year remembrance of Late Mrs Joy Akwudo (mother of Sister Patience Akwudo of Choir and Busy Bees) and God’s numerous blessings on the family she left behind.

❖ Doxology and Benediction
 ❖ Notices
 ❖ Diocesan Anthem
 ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: Abide with us (pg 19)

G. 7.00a.m & 10.00a.m. YOUTH SERVICE

Celebrant: The Rev. Adebayo Adenekan
Preacher: The Rev. Adebayo Adenekan
Theme: The Holy Spirit, The Individual & The Church

❖ Opening Hymn: CH 387
 ❖ Call to Worship
 ❖ Psalm: 97
 ❖ O.T. Reading: II Kings 2:1-15
 ❖ Praise & Worship
 ❖ N.T. Reading: John 16:12-24
 ❖ Testimonies
 ❖ Choir Ministration
 ❖ Sermon
 ❖ Creed to Prayer
 ❖ Sunday Offerings: Choruses

(a) First Fruits (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering

❖ Prayer & Benediction
 ❖ Notices
 ❖ Diocesan Anthem
 ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 390

B. VACANCY

- i. Mature **Sales girl** needed in a “Fabric Outfit” in Magodo Area. Lagos. Please contact: 08037120704; 08053783996.
- ii. **Professional/Experienced (Male) Tailors** and Apprentice Tailors urgently required in a fashion house in Maryland, Lagos. Please contact: 08065252325; 09098701006.
- iii. **Secretary & Accountant** are urgently needed at Anglican Bible College, Lagos. Interested persons to send their applications to: The Registrar, Anglican Bible College, Lagos.
- iv. **Financial Advisor/Productivity Manager** are urgently needed at **ARMLIFE INSURANCE PLC.** Interested persons to send their CV in word format to albert.Ifunanya@armlife.com.ng. Qualifications are any discipline in B.Sc /H.N.D.

MEDICAL MINISTRY
QUARTERLY HEALTH SEMINAR & HEALTH SCREENING

The Medical Ministry of AVMCC cordially invites all to its Quarterly Health and Health Screening on Saturday, 10th June, 2017 at Adetiloye Hall, 1st Floor, by 9.00am. Theme: **Recognizing Depression & What to do about Depression in Friend and Family.** Speakers: **Dr Coker and Dr. M. Kadiri.**

Note:

- (i) BP Checks and Blood Sugar checks for Diabetes for all in attendance.
- (ii) Free Malaria Parasite Testing & Anti-Malaria agents shall also be available for the 1st 100 to register

Please contact AVMCC Clinic or Secretary, AVMCC Medical Ministry on 07033447497 for more details.

I. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS

<u>BANK</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>SORT CODE</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
ACCESS	0017948337	044151245	Evangelical Fund
WEMA	0120970667	035150695	Offering & Thanksgiving
FIRST	2025018178	011151841	Harvest (kindly signify the purpose e.g. Family harvest, Youth Harvest etc.)
FIRST	2001350641	011151841	Project Support
STANBIC	9200212515		
IBTC		221150027	First Fruits
GTB	0007899440	058152120	Tithes
WEMA	0122245798	035150695	Endowment Fund

Please indicate your name in the payments.

Parishioners can now pay directly to any of the Banks with account details listed, as applicable. Payment by POS is also available in the Church office.

15. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- i. Christian Mothers Prayer Meeting comes up on Monday, 29th May, 2017 at 5.00p.m. **Topic: Divine Protection – Isaiah 54:17** **Speaker: Chaplain.**
- ii. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery} - Every 1st Thursday of the Month. **Venue:** The AVMCC Auditorium. **Time:** 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- iii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers - Every 1st Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iv. Fasting & Prayer for Christian Mothers - Every last Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- v. **Adult Education Programme:** This course is for young and old every Monday & Wednesday by 3.30pm at the Vining Hall.

16. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

A. Obituaries

- i. We announce the passing into glory of Professor Ben Obumselu. (Husband of Mrs Fidelia Obumselu of Daughters of Light and Prisons Ministry). Burial Arrangements are as follows:

Service of Songs 1: On Thursday, 1st June, 2017 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.

Service of Songs 2: On Thursday, 8th June, 2017 at St. Peters Anglican Church, Oba Idemili – South, Anambra at 6.00pm.

Funeral Service: On Friday, 9th June, 2017 at St. Peters Anglican Church, Oba Idemili – South, Anambra at 10.00am. Reception at Nelly Newtown Hotel, Oba Idemili – South,

- ii. We announce the passing into glory of Chief (Capt) Samuel A. Ohiomah of Torchbearers Society. Aged: 86years and Mrs. Florence Aduke Ohiomah of Charity Band Society. Aged:76years. Burial Arrangements are as follows:

Christian Wake-Keep: On Thursday, 8th June, 2017 AVMCC Vining Hall at 5.00pm.

Funeral Service: On Friday, 9th June, 2017 at AVMCC at 10.00am. Reception follows at AVMCC Vining Hall.

- iii. We announce the passing into glory of Dr. Kolade Osebumbe Lawani. Aged: 80years. (Father of Joy Lawani of AVMCC Youth Chapel) Burial Arrangements are as follows:

Service of Songs: On Friday, 16th June, 2017 at his residence, 12 Ajasa Street, Ikeja by 5.00pm.

Christian Wake-keep: On Thursday, 22nd June, 2017 at his village residence, Uneme Akiosu, Akoko, Edo State by 8.00pm.

Funeral Service: On Friday, 23rd June, 2017 at St. John Anglican Church, Uneme, Akiosu, Akoko Edo LGA, Edo State by 9.00am.

- iv. We announce the passing into glory of Mrs Ethel Ayoola. (Member of Busy Bees Society) Burial Arrangements are as follows:

Christian Wake-keep: On Thursday, 6th July, 2017 at Adetiloye Hall by 6.00pm.

Funeral Service: On Friday, 7th July, 2017 at AVMCC, Ikeja by 9.00am.

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H. 6.00 pm. YOUTH EVENING

Cantor: *The Youth*

Preacher: *The Youth*

Sponsor: *Harvest Committee*

Organist: *Mr Femi Williams*

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CH 46
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Praise Worship
- ❖ Lesson: John 17:1-13– **Harvest Committee**
- ❖ Short Exhortation & Prayer
- ❖ Offerings Choruses
(a) *First Fruit* (b) *Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering*
- ❖ Thanksgiving
- ❖ Closing Prayer
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 36

H. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2017 EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES

1. Sunday - May 28, 2017 - Harvest Committee
2. Sunday - June 4, 2017 - Band of Faith
3. Sunday - June 11, 2017 - Harvest Committee
4. Sunday - June 18, 2017 - Busy Bees
5. Sunday - June 25, 2017 - Cathedral Youth
6. Sunday - July 2, 2017 - LPL
7. Sunday - July 9, 2017 - Christian Friends
8. Sunday - July 16, 2017 - Anglican Fellowship

SENTENCES FOR SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

Introductory Sentence

The end of all things is at hand therefore keep sane and sober for your prayers. **1 Peter 4:7.**

Collects for the Week:

Eternal God, the King of Glory, You have exalted Your only Son with great triumph to Your Kingdom in heaven. Leave us not comfortless, but you're your Holy Spirit to strengthen and exalt us to the place where Christ is gone before and where with You and the Holy Spirit He is worshipped and glorified, now and forever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Sentence

And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age. **Matthew 28:20.**

3. ANIMA CHRISTI

1. **Soul of my Saviour, Sanctify my breast
Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest
Blood of my Saviour, Bathe me in Thy tide
Wash me with water flowing from Thy side.**

2. **Strength and protection may Thy passion be
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me
Deep in Thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me
So shall I never, never part from Thee.**

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3. **Guard and defend me from the foe malign
In death's dread moments, make me only Thine
Call me and bid me come to Thee on high
When I may praise Thee with Thy Saints for aye.**
Amen.

4. **PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY,
28TH MAY, 2017**

A. **Prayers for the Anglican Communion and for
Christian Denominations and Organizations**

- i. Pray for The Rt. Rev. Jolly Oyekpen, his family and all members of the Diocese of Akoko-Edo.
- ii. Pray for The Rt. Rev. David Obiosa, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ndokwa.
- iii. Pray for The Rt. Rev. Dr. James O. Odedeji, his family and all members of the Diocese of Lagos West

B. **Prayer for AVMCC**

- i. For the Holy Spirit to indwell individual member of the church.
- ii. For spiritual inclination of the AVMCC in furthering the gospel of Christ in the world.
- iii. For the Holy Spirit to arrest members who are still walking in the path of ungodliness that the name of God may be glorified in their lives.

C. **Prayer for all our members who are having their
Birthdays and/or other Anniversaries today:**

- i. For Mr Joe Ekenobi, Ms Adesola Akinnifesi, Mr Eric Amuzie, Mrs Charity Aneke, Miss Chidubem Egwim, Miss Ifeoma Nnebe, Mrs Edith Nwaergu, Mr Jolomi Odonghanro, Mr Kennedy Adetayo, Mrs Theresa Anionwu, Mrs Mojisola Ogedengbe, Mrs Lina Ohazurume and others who are celebrating their birthdays today.
- ii. For those having their Wedding Anniversaries or any other positive Anniversaries today.

D. **Prayers for individual Families within the
AVMCC Household**

- i. Udemisi Family, Udensi Family, Udeoba Family, Udeogalanya Family, Udero Family, Udo Family, Udochukwu Family, Udoh Family, Udoji-Achebe Family, Uduehi Family.

E. **Prayer for the following people:** The Rt. Rev. Dr. P. A. Adebisi, Pa Laban Namme, Engr. & Mrs. Odedairo, Mrs. Beatrice Akinola, Engr. Chief S.F. Onabanjo, Prof. & Mrs. Segun, Mrs. David-West, Chief (Mrs) I.A. Norma-Williams, Mrs M.I. Ilori, Mrs Idowu Bajomo, Pa Muiyiwa Adebekun, Mr & Mrs R.A. Metu, Mr. B. Sorinmade, Mr Tuyi Olonisakin, Mrs M.M. Aruofor.

**WITHDRAWAL HYMN FOR 10.00A.M
ABIDE WITH US OH IN THY GRACE**

1. Abide With Us Oh In Thy Grace,
Lord Jesus My Saviour
That Never Trickish Creature
Militate Against Us.
2. Abide With Us Just In Thy Word
The Only Precious Lord
We May Have Life In Salvation
Yonder And Here Beneath.
3. Abide With Us In Thy Blessing
The Most Glorious Saviour
Give Thy Good Heavenly Blessing
To Us In Abundance.
4. **Protect Me Always Oh My Lord**
Thou Powerful Saviour
That He May Sidetrack Enemies
To Go Out Of Bondage.
5. Abide With Us In Thy Truth Lord
Oh Our Merciful God
In Afflictions Abide With Us
Let Us Surely Endure.
6. Abide With Us In Thy Peace Lord
When Death These Close Our Eyes
At That Crucial Moment O Lord
Speak Salvation To Us. Amen!

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**COMMUNION HYMN FOR 7.00A.M
HC 448 – SWEET FEAST OF LOVE DIVINE**

1. Sweet feast of love divine!
'Tis grace that makes us free
To feed upon this bread and wine,
In memory, Lord, of Thee.
2. Here every welcome guest
Waits, Lord, from Thee to learn
The secrets of Thy Father's breast,
And all Thy grace discern.
3. Here conscience ends its strife,
And faith delights to prove
The sweetness of the Bread of Life,
The fullness of Thy love.
4. That blood that flowed for sin
In symbol here we see,
And feel the blessed pledge within
That we are loved of Thee.
5. Oh, if this glimpse of love
Is so divinely sweet,
What will it be, O Lord, above,
Thy gladdening smile to meet!
6. To see Thee face to face,
Thy perfect likeness wear;
And all Thy ways of wondrous grace
Through endless years declare. Amen.

WITHDRAWAL HYMN FOR 7.00A.M SERVICE
TRUSTING IN THE LORD THY GOD

1. Trusting in the Lord thy God,
On-ward go! Onward go!
Holding fast His promised word,
On-ward go!
Ne'er deny His worthy name;
Tho' it bring reproach and shame;
Spreading still His wondrous fame,
On-ward! go

2. Has He called thee to the plough?
Onward go! Onward go!
Night is coming, serve Him now;
On-ward go!
Faint and love in service blend;
On His mighty arm depend;
Standing fast until the end;
On-ward go!.

3. Has He giv'n thee golden grain?
Onward go! Onward go!
Sow and thou shalt reap a-gain;
On-ward go!
To thy Master's gate repair,
Watching be and waiting there;
He will hear and answer prayer;
On-ward go.

4. Has He said the end is near?
Onward go! Onward go!
Serving Him with holy fear,
Onward go!
Christ thy portion, Christ thy stay,
Heavenly bread upon thy way,
Leading on to glorious day;
On-ward go!

5. In this little moment then,
Onward go! Onward go!
In thy ways acknowledge Him,
On-ward go!
Let His mind be found in Thee;
Let His will thy pleasure be;
Thus in life and liberty,
On-ward go! Amen.

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5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY – 28TH MAY, 2017

THEME: THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE CHURCH

READINGS: JOHN 16:12-24; EPHESIANS 2:18-22, 3:10, 4:1-13

“For through Christ we both have access to the Father through one Spirit. Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God’s people and members of GOD’s household, built on the foundation of the apostles and

F. Prayer for Nigeria & the World

- i. That God should cause a spiritual revival in the nooks and crannies of our Nation.
- ii. That the Holy Spirit should intervene in the affairs of the Nation and the world.

G. All Needy People: The barren, the pregnant, spinsters, bachelors, jobless, homeless that God remembers all of them for good.

H. HARVEST 2017: Pray for the Harvest Committee and all members of AVMCC that none shall operate under close heavens in Jesus name. Amen.

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5. BIBLE TEACHING
WORK, LAW OF PLACE AND SOME BIBLICAL
PRINCIPLES OF MONEY MANAGEMENT

It is in line with ROGATION season and as inspired by the Holy Spirit that we examine today’s topic. As we covet God’s blessings upon the work of our hands, we must equally position ourselves to play our part in ensuring that we operate only under OPEN HEAVENS unto blessings.

LABOUR / WORK – Gen. 2:15, 1 Tim. 5:18.

1. God created work as part of His design for the world.
2. There is dignity in a wide variety of work – Gen. 1:28.
3. Work became affected by curse after the FALL – Gen. 3:17-19. From WORKING to TOILING, (struggle battle laborious effort). Work since then does not only amount to joy, satisfaction and productivity it became accompanied by sorrow, hardship and frustration – Eccl. 2:22-23.
4. However, even after the fall, work remains a God given blessing – Exodus 20:9-10.
5. Our task is to work with God in the way He originally intended – Rev. 22:3.
6. God abhors IDLENESS. Those who fail to work must not EAT – 2 Thess. 3:6&10.
7. We must therefore discover our God given and God assigned work. It is only in this that we can excel. We must also never lose sight of the fact that A DAY OF FAVOUR with God is greater than 365 days of LABOUR. Doing another man work is similar to marrying the bone of another man or the flesh of another man. It amounts to everlasting sorrow – Jh 21:1-3.

THE LAW OF PLACE- COL. 3:23

The Lord told the people of Israel that wherever they set their foot upon He would possess for them. Their footsteps must however be guided by the Lord to the right places, with the right people at the right time doing the right thing within the will of God.

The Law of place is one of the LAWS that determines a man's destiny in life.

1. God called Abraham out of A PLACE to another PLACE – Gen. 12:1
2. Lot chose a place wherein he ended up loosing all he laboured for because of wickedness and sin that prevailed in Sodom and Gomorrah – Gen. 13:7-13; Gen. 19:23-25.
3. Even in matters of worship and sacrifices God determines the place – Gen. 22:1-3.
4. Isaac in the midst of famine enjoyed divine preservation and blessing because he stayed in the place God chose for him – Gen. 26:1-5; 12-14.
5. Prophet Elijah was directed to the brook of Cherith and later to Zarephath an indication of God's interest in PLACES and the need to obey Him accordingly – 1 Kings 17:2-10.
6. Naomi and Elimelech relocated to Moab and ended up with 10 years of wasted labour and emptiness – A case of wrong location - Ruth 1:1-5.
7. ONE OUTING for RUTH, she located her place became abundantly blessed – Ruth 2:2.

WHEN YOU ARE IN THE PLACE ORDAINED BY GOD FOR YOU, THERE CAN BE NO WASTED LABOUR - THE CASE STUDY OF RUTH – RUTH 2

- (a) You shall be noticed vs 4-5.
- (b) You become untouchable by the evils that threatens others vs 9
- (c) Your thirst is satisfied. You are granted the desires of your heart – vs 9; Psalm 37:4-6
- (d) You are above DISGRACE vs 10. No falling from grace to grass.
- (e) You enjoy divine reward in full – No labouring for another to eat vs 12.
- (f) You are a candidate of FAVOUR vs 13.
- (g) You are comfortable vs 13; Isa. 40:1-2
- (h) You attract friends – vs 13.
- (i) You have more than enough. From just enough to more than enough. No begging for bread vs 14.
- (j) You become a blessing and a channel of blessing to others vs 18 – 1 Chro. 4:10.
- (k) You excel where other fall, you are lifted where others are cast down.

NB: Many are in Lagos ahead of their appointed time.
Many have stayed in Lagos more than their appointed time.
Many are not expected to be in Lagos at all. The law of place applies in all nation and generation. CHECK IT OUT.

the prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit". - Eph.2:18-22

“His intent was that now, through the Church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in heavenly realms which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord”.- Eph.3:10

The CHURCH is the congregation of INDIVIDUALS called together by GOD, knitted together by the love of Christ, built up and empowered by the Holy Spirit, it's a holy place where God's eternal purpose is revealed through the word of God, Fellowship and Communion, a place where Believers refuel.

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH AND THE BELIEVERS

The Holy Spirit is the executive agent of the Godhead who built the Church that the Lord Jesus promised would build (Matt.16:16,20) and at the fulfillment of the promise of Christ on the Day of Pentecost (Act.2:1-4; 1Cor.12:12-27; Eph.1:22-23), He formed the Church into a corporate structure- the Body of Christ, New and Living Temple of God and the New Covenant of priestly body consisting baptized individuals who through anointing and illumination are set into their places of relevance as living stones of the Church (1Cor.3:16; 1Jhn.2:20,27; 2Cor.1:21,22).

The Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church in heaven remains and directs His Body by means of the Holy Spirit who governs the Church, calls, quickens, strengthens, energizes and equips ministries of the Church and members of the Body of Christ according to their particular need and place (Act.1:8, 13:1-3; 20:28; 1Cor.2:24,5, 12:8-11; Eph.4:8-12; 1Pt.1:12) also dispenses Grace- the various gifts (1Cor.12:4-11, 28-31; Rm.12:6-8; Eph.4:7)and empowers to bear Fruit as envisioned in Gal.5:22.

“He (The Holy Spirit) will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you (The Church and the Believer)". – Jhn.16:14

This is what Jesus told His disciples on the night He was betrayed in order to calm their fears- I must go so that the “Counselor” – Holy Spirit would come. Jesus wanted the power of God which is the Holy Spirit to reside in Believers, the awesome spiritual power- that created all of creations, power that would raise Him from the dead, power to heal the sick and make the lame to walk. This power was given to the Church to prepare the world for His second coming and for the Believers to live a Godly life on earth and by this, the Church and Believers will be complete and become a living testimony of Christ power as they await His second coming.

CONCLUSION

Every Believer must bear in mind that the Lord Jesus is the example of the working of the Holy Spirit in an unhindered way and operation in humanity and as such, Believers as sons and daughters of God and members of the Church should follow in His steps by living and coming under the same workings of the Holy Spirit- 1Pt.2:21; Rm.8:29 The whole life of Jesus as the perfect Man was governed by the Holy Spirit, hence the need for believers individually and the Church corporately to open their hearts to seek the fullness of the Holy Spirit for Him to work on them, in them, with them, by them, through them and for them'. However, it's only upon the acceptance of the finished work of the cross that the Believers will find available to them the Fruit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The Church and the regenerated by the power of the Holy Spirit are for glorification (Matt.5:16; Jhn.16) rather than the present state of "Ichabod" that the Church and Believers seem to manifest today. For the Holy Spirit to return to and reside in individual through the Church, the Church must return to her first love- Rev.2:4, Be ready to suffer and remain faithful in times of persecution- Rev.2:10; Stand firm and fight even unto death and stand up against wrong teachings- Rev.2:14-16; Repent of sexual immorality and idolatry- Rev.2:20-23; Wake up from slumber and death- Rev.3:1-2; Remain steadfast and obedient- Rev.3:7-12; Shun worldliness, pride, half-heartedness, accept discipline and return to GOD- Rev.3:14-20.

How are you living your life? Are you on your own or allowing the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you? How receptive are you spirit, soul and body now that the Holy Spirit is readily available in the Church? Has the Holy Spirit been poured out on you, come or fall upon you or fill you up? (Act.8:16;10:44,45;9:6) Is the Holy Spirit manifesting in the Church of God through you? The Holy Spirit can only come down and indwell, remain, abide and preside in a redeemed community- Living Church where Believers truly allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide them into those things that will bring glory and honor to Christ. The results of such a fellowship are joy, peace and patience.

Ask for the Holy Spirit (Lk.11:13), for without Him, the Church and Believers can do nothing! I pray, The Holy Spirit- the Spirit of promise that brings all promises of God to fulfillment in the Church and in the life of individual will come upon us, indwell, remain, abide and preside in His Church and within our heart forever and ever in Jesus name, amen!

*Lord prepares me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living sanctuary for you!*

MONEY MANAGEMENT

It is unfortunate that there are many ignorant Christians who believe that money will drop from heaven upon their lap one day or that somebody somewhere would just walk up to them and give them money. While we are not ruling out the certainty and possibility of miracles in this regard, it is certain that God wants us to work, locate our place of testimony and apply Godly wisdom by playing our part in maximizing the divine endowment upon the earth for our benefits before leaving for eternity. Jesus Christ became POOR that we might be RICH, we are heirs with Jesus and we own all that belong to God. We must MANAGE MONEY – Prov. 23:5.

- (i) By being discipline and by avoiding unnecessary extra budgetary expenses – Job 36:10-11.
- (ii) We need wisdom to invest in the right way and right things – Prov. 4:7-9.
- (iii) We must be accountable – Matt. 25:14-30
- (iv) We must be productive and enterprising – Prov. 31:16.
- (v) We must not despise days of little beginnings
- (vi) We must not be IDLE – Matt. 20:3-4
- (vii) We must plan properly and set Godly goals for our lives.
- (viii) We must avoid unnecessary ASO EBI.
- (ix) No window shopping
- (x) No impulse purchase
- (xi) We must be selective in honouring invitations to money draining events.
- (xii) Explore the opportunities of TIME by seeking to understand the prevailing circumstances and times like the sons of Issachar – 1 Chro. 12:32.
- (xiii) We must learn to DIVERSIFY when necessary, we must be open to fresh moves of God – I Kings 17:2,9.
- (xiv) We must keep an account.
- (xv) We must pay tithe, offering, first fruit. You are permitted to test God in these areas – Mal. 3:8-12.
- (xvi) Invest on good and essential valuables.
- (xvii) Do not cheat others. Do not add other people's sweat to your own.
- (xviii) Do not forget your God. Seek His glory in whatever you do.
- (xix) Avoid stagnancy.
- (xx) We must always acknowledge God as the source of our wealth. Seek His wisdom, assist others, be faithful in God's work. Serve Him diligently with our work and our resources – Exod. 23:25-28.
- (xxi) We must be faithful in handling other people's business – Luke 16:11-17.

CONCLUSION

Our God is evidently not a sadist. We can be rest assured that He will bless our work and our endeavours as long as we are divinely located and committed to the assignment given to us by Him through our work – Phil. 4:13.

9. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

May 14 – May 20

7.00 am Holy Communion	1,060
7.00 am Youth Service	199
7.00 am Sunday School	320
10.00 am Mattins	1,356
10.00 am Youth Service	177
10.00 am Sunday School	228
6.00 pm Service	32
Bible Study	202
Wednesday Holy Communion	148
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	242

7. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- The following Societies will meet immediately in the Church after Service

✚ *Band of Faith*

✚ *Ladies Christian League*

✚ *Christian Friends Society*

✚ *Lord Labourers Fellowship*

- Men & Women of Grace meeting comes up on **Thursday, 1st June, 2017** at the front of the Church by 11.00am.
Topic: Outing.

10. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty Today Sunday, 28th May, 2017

7.00a.m-10.00a.m: Dr. Makinde Akinlemibola, Pharm. Ezenwaji Amaka, Pharm Ifeanyi Uchefuna, Mrs Gina Okolo, Dr Oliver Akinola.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr.(Mrs) Frances Ajose, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Dr. Femi Olaleye, Mrs Chi Enenila, Pharm. Dele Ajala.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday, 4th June, 2017

7.00a.m-10.00a.m: Dr. Makinde Akinlemibola, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm (Mrs) Yomi Osinoiki, Pharm. Ifeanyi Uchefuna, Mrs Gina Okolo.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Tunji Areo, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Mrs Chinelo Emenike, Mrs Adenike Adefila.

B. Security & Traffic Control

i. Sunday 28th May - Saturday, 3rd June, 2017

Nwaorgu Chinedu (**Captain**), Odanye Moji (Mrs) (**Assistant Captain**), Goke Uthman; Ogunleye Adeboboye, Adeyemi Muyiwa, Mbaekwe Augustine, Segun Adeniji, Dare Sigbeku, Chioma Obi, George A. Adeyemi, Juliet Chimezie, Omotola Onakoya

ii. Sunday 4th June - Saturday, 9th June, 2017

Jemerigbe Helen I. (**Captain**), Adeyemi Muyiwa (**Assistant Captain**), Goke Uthman, Juliet Chimezie, Helen Arhagba, Caroline Omowhara, Jones Basse; Funso Fagbuyiro, Kene Obimma, Femi Agbaje, Chukwuemeka Osaka.

10.

11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Pentecost (Whit Sunday) June 4

Theme: The Promised Gifts of the Spirit

Colour: Red

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

CHRISTIAN FAMILY ANNIVERSARY

Celebrant: *The Dean*

Epistle: *Acts 2:1-21*

Christian Family

Gospel: *John 20:19-31*

The Rev. Taiwo Adebayo

Address: *The Diocesan*

THE YOUTH SERVICE:

Venue: *The Adetiloye House*

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adebayo Adenekan*

Preacher: *The Rev. Adebayo Adenekan*

10.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Celebrant: *The Dean*

Epistle: *Acts 2:1-21*

Layreader Abosede Osunkeye

Gospel: *John 20:19-31*

The Rev. Taiwo Adebayo

Address: *The Diocesan*

6.00 pm: EUCHARISTIC WITH ANOINTING

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adenekan Adebayo*

Epistle: *Acts 2:1-21*

Gospel: *John 20:19-31*

Preacher: *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*

12. BANNES OF MARRIAGE

We publish the Banns of Marriage between the persons under-listed: If anyone knows any just cause in law why the persons listed may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, he should declare it immediately.

3RD NOTICE:

1. *Mr Nwakoni Okwudili & Miss Anne Olimini of this church*
2. *Mr Adelusola Adeniyi & Miss Simisola Akinsanya of this church*
3. *Mr Chukwudi Ezebuike & Miss Cynthia of this church*

2ND NOTICE:

1. *Mr Christopher Ezenwenyi & Miss Chidiogo Obinwa of this church*

1ST NOTICE:

1. *Mr Adeniyi Akinyandemi & Miss Oluseyi Awosika of this church*
2. *Mr Toyin Olubake & Miss Opeyemi Akinlade of this church*

The Dean has directed that all intending COUPLES should instructively read the following pages of the Restoring Family Values Pamphlet: 3-4, 15-28, 36. Those without copies should get their copies from the Dean's Secretary, Mrs Tolani Famade - 08033109378.

15.

4.00pm: Service of Songs for Late Prof. Ben. Obumsele

Friday, June 2, 2017 Colour: Green

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: *The Rev. Oluwambe Toriola*
Epistle: *Heb. 4:14-5:1-6- Lay. Edwin Eze*
Gospel: *Luke 9:28-36 -*
Hymns: *CH 18, VSH 23 CH 17*
Preacher: *The Rev. Opeyemi Ibikunle*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Christian Ugwuzor, his family and all members of the Diocese of Aba.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Samuel K. Eze, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ukwu.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Oluwaseun Afolabi, Miss Blessing Ezealigo, Mrs Oludotun Ogunlela, Mrs Tochukwu Iloabanafor, Mrs Alice Oguamanam, Mr Eric Oguchuba, Mrs Taiwo Ogunsanya, Miss Adesoye Olufunke, Mr Olaitan Oloko, Mrs Ngozi Opara, Mrs Maudlyn Oraelosi.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Unegbu Family, Unogu Family, Usman Family, Uthman Family, Utomakili Family, Uwa Family, Uwadueke Family, Uwasomba Family, Uwodo Family, Uzebu Family.

6.00pm EFAC Meeting

6.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday, June 3, 2017 Colour: Green

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*
Epistle: *Heb. 9:1-14 - Lay. Oluremi Abimbola*
Gospel: *Luke 11:14-23*
Hymns *CH 2, VSH 59, CH XVII*
Preacher: *The Rev. Canon James Adekanye*

Prayer Points

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Manasses Okere, his family and all members of the Diocese of Isuikwuato Umunneochi.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Johnson Onuoha, his family and all members of the Diocese of Arochukwu/Ohafia..
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Olorunfemi Ojo, Mr Olumide Abiose, Miss Nifemi Osunleti, Mr Rufus Osisanwo, Mr Uchenna Okigbo, Mrs Abimbola Okesanya.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Uzo Family, Uzochukwu Family, Uzoichi Family, Uzoh Family, Uzoh-Njoku Family, Uzoigwe Family, Uzor Family, Uzundu Family, Victor-Osho Family, Vincent Family.

10.00am Wedding
Mr Chikwendu Ogbolu & Miss Omobola Shomefun

4.00 pm Youth Fellowship
4.00 pm Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade
4.00 pm Baptism

DELAY

WHAT CAN BE LEARN FROM DELAYS?

BIBLE READING: JOSHUA 18:1-10

KEY BIBLE VERSE: Then Joshua asked them, "How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has given to you? (Joshua 18:3).

PROCRASTINATION CAN BE DISOBEDIENCE

Joshua asked why some of the tribes were putting off the job of possessing the land. Often we delay doing jobs that seem large, difficult, boring, or disagreeable.

To continue putting them off shows lack of discipline, poor stewardship of time, and in some cases disobedience to God. Jobs we don't enjoy require concentration, teamwork, twice as much time, lots of encouragement and accountability. Remember this when you are tempted to procrastinate.

BIBLE READING: 1 Samuel 13:1-15.

KEY BIBLE VERSE: Saul waited there seven days for Samuel, as Samuel had instructed him earlier, but Samuel still didn't come. Saul realized that his troops were rapidly slipping away. So he demanded, "Bring me the burnt offering and the peace offerings!" And Saul sacrificed the burnt offering himself. (1 Samuel 13:8-9).

DELAYS BEYOND OUR CONTROL TEST OUR PATIENCE AND OBEDIENCE

It is difficult to trust God when you feel your resources slipping away, when Saul felt that time was running out, he became impatience with God's timing. In thinking that the ritual was all he needed, he substituted the ritual for faith in God. When faced with a difficult decision, don't allow impatience to drive you to disobey God. When you know what God wants, follow his plan regardless of the consequences. God often uses delays to test our obedience and patience.

BEWARE

"Beware, in everybody, there is a piece of flesh, if it is healthy, the whole body is healthy and if it is sick, the whole body is sick.

"The signs of the hypocrite are three:

When he speaks, he lies,
When he promises, he breaks it
And when any trust is kept with him, He misuses it,
Are you are one of them? If yes; BEWARE.

BE STILL

Whenever problems arise, Be still

If Satan trembles, Be still!

Whatever your enemies do, be still knowing that one day they will push you to a place of Glory. Just be still in Christ and His goodness will surely come upon you. Exodus 14:14.

11. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 29, 2017

Colour: Green

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: *The Rev. Oladele Odumosu*

Epistle: *Heb. 6:-12 - Lay. Kike Akinyemi*

Gospel: *Luke 9:51-62*

Hymns: *CH 10, VSH 63, CH 545*

Preacher: *The Rev. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Blessing Eritefa, his family and all members of the Diocese of Sapele.
- ❖ For the Most Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Chukwuma, his family and all members of the Diocese of Enugu.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Engr. Johnson Adeyoye, Dr. Henry Akpata, Mr Obijiofor Atuchukwu, Mr Ugochukwu Mgbemena, Dr (Mrs) Joy Nwokedinobi, Mr Chiagozie Obuekwe, Mrs Oluwakemi Aiyenomuro, Mrs Ify Nwafor, Mr Anselem Onyejuruwa, Mrs Gladys Talabi.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Udukife Family, Ufodike Family, Ufomba Family, Ugah Family, Ugbah Family, Ugbechie Family, Ugbor Family, Ugochukwu Family, Ugoji Family, Ugwoke Family.

5.00 pm **Adult Baptism Preparatory Class**

5.30 pm **Family/Marriage Counselling Meeting**

6.30 pm **Choir Practice**

Tuesday, May 30, 2017

Colour: Green

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adebayo Adenekan*

Epistle: *Heb. 6:13-20 - Layreader Esther Jaiyeola*

Gospel: *Luke 10:1-17*

Hymns: *CH 5, VSH 59, CH 153*

Preacher: *The Rev. Oluwambe Toriola*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Aloysius E. Agbo, his family and all members of the Diocese of Nsukka.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Monday Chukwuma Nkwoagu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Abakaliki.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Muiyiwa Kupoluyi, Mrs Ebele Amanchukwu, Mrs Fatimo Musiliu, Prof. (Mrs) Ibronke Akinsete, Mrs Lina Ibeneme, Mr Obinna Marchie, Mr Sylvester Nwawkwue, Mr Remigius Ogbu, Mr Obinna Okeke, Mr Olufolahan Olusoga, Master Ayodeji Solaru, Mrs Ladi Ogazuma-Jacobs, Miss Folakemi Ogunbadeniya, Mrs Omobola Faleye, Mrs Omobolanle Jide-Fadiya.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ugwu Family, Ugwuanya Family, Ugwuegba Family, Ugwuegede Family, Ugwumadu Family, Ugwunaya Family, Ukadigwu Family, Ukadike Family, Ukaegbu Family, Ukatu Family.

11.00 am – 3.00 pm - **Senior Citizens Clinic & Fellowship**

5.00pm – 6.00pm **Intercessory Prayer**

5.00pm - 6.00pm **BIBLE STUDY REVIEW**

6.00 pm Bible Study - **ISAIAH 28**

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Wednesday, May 31, 2017

Colour: Green

7.00 am Holy Communion

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Celebrant: *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*

Epistle: *Eph. 5:18-20 - Layreader Dele Ajala*

Gospel: *Luke 1:39-49*

Hymns: *VSH 652, CH 595, Anima Christi, VSH 14, CH XVI*

Preacher: *The Ven. Festus Olowosile*

Collect: Almighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoice with Mary and hailed her as the mother of the Lord: fill us with Your grace that we may acclaim her Son as our Saviour and rejoice to be called His brethren, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Points

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Prof. Evans Ibeagha, his family and all members of the Diocese of Nike.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. C.A. Aneke, his family and all members of the Diocese of Udi.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Adedeji Adegbokun, Mr Samuel Ekunwe, Mr Tochukwu Ibe, Mr Olukayode Idris, Mrs Franca Nnebe, Miss Ololade Talabi, Miss Oredugba Alleluia, Mr Olumuyiwa Adebekun, Mr Chijioke Obi, Boluwatife Okeowo.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ukeje Family, Uko Family, Ukoh Family, Ukoha Family, Ukwunna Family, Ukwuoma Family, Ulasi Family, Ulogwara Family, Umealo-Wells Family, Umeh Family.

8.00am **Vining Intercessor's Visitation**

6.00pm **PRAYER MEETING - VISIT MY SITUATION O LORD – LUKE 1:35-49**

Thursday, June 1, 2017

Colour: Green

6.00am Hour of Blessings

7.00 am Holy Communion

Celebrant: *The Rev. Canon James Adekanye*

Epistle: *Heb. 7:18-28 - Lay. R.K. Adebule*

Gospel: *Luke 10: 25-37*

Hymns: *Praises, VSH 131, Worship Songs CH 17*

Preacher: *The Rev. Taiwo Adebayo*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Daniel Nkemjika Olinya, his family and all members of the Diocese of Eha-Amufu.
- ❖ For the Most Rev. Ikechi Nwachukwu Nwosu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Umuahia.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Chinenye Agbara, Mr Muiyiwa Balogun, Mr Oluwatoni Oki, Miss Nneoma Ohazurume, Mrs Francisca Okeke, Chief Charles Okeke, Mr Abel Osuji, Mr Sunday Samuel, Mr Olukunmi Awolalu, Mr Nnaemeka Agbasi.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Umejiburu Family, Umekaibe Family, Umeli Family, Umeokwuchi Family, Umeuzuegbu Family, Umez-Oparah Family, Umobi Family, Umukoro Family, Umunna Family, Umuokafor Family.

11.00 am - **Meeting of Men & Women of Grace - Topic: Outing.**

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