

## YOU NEED ANY HELP?

Contact the Cathedral Office for all necessary information and the Office will direct you to the appropriate persons to help. Below are the Contact Persons.

- A. **For Booking of all Services of the Church**  
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The Dean; The Society Chaplains; Presidents & Secretaries of Societies
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- Q. **For Sports Ministry**  
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- R. **For Board of Directors for Economic Empowerment**  
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- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**  
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Below are the Telephone Numbers of the Cathedral Office, the Dean and the Cathedral Priests. You can contact these phones as need be.

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## DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST (Anglican Communion)



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#### Our Vision:

"CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS"

#### Our 2019 Mission:

**"GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH"**  
Psalm 46:1a.

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, 24<sup>th</sup> November - Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

Sunday Before Advent

Theme: The Wages of Religious Hypocrisy

Colour: Green

Mr. Adetunji Adekoya  
Cathedral Warden

Mr. Charles Ojo  
Cathedral Warden

The Ven. Adegoke O. Agara  
The Dean of the Cathedral

The Rt. Rev. Dr. James O. Odedeji  
The Bishop, Diocese of Lagos West

Please Take A Copy  
Support God's Mission through the Covenant Seed  
Be A Diocesan Covenant Seeder

**1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

**DAUGHTERS OF LIGHT ANNIVERSARY**

- Celebrant:** *The Rev. Canon Benson Odude*
- The Epistle:** *Daughters of Light*
- The Gospel:** *The Rev. Dr. Benjamin Okere*
- Preacher:** *The Ven. Festus Olowosile*
- Intercession:** *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*
- ❖ Processional Hymn: VSH 70 'To God be the Glory'
- ❖ Praise & Worship **10mins. (Judges 1:1-2, Ps 100vs 4, Ps 95 vs 2)**
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence - *The Ven. J. Adekanye*
- ❖ Epistle: Hebrews 9:24-28
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: VSH 22 'More Holiness give me' (Pg. 16)
- ❖ The Gospel: John 10:7-18
- ❖ **SERMON**
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace **(Let there be peace – page 6)**
- ❖ The Offerings: Choruses
- (a) **First Fruit (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering**
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: VSH 20, 14, 57, 63, 64
- ❖ The Ablution: CH 537
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **The Anniversary:**
  - i. Daughters of Light Anthem
  - ii. Rededication of Members
  - iii. Daughters of Light, Patrons / Patroness & The Church Thanksgiving
- ❖ **Thanksgiving:**
  - i. Family Harvest: *(as indicated.... pg 22)*
  - ii. The Churching of Mrs. Orakwue F. Somtochuckwu for the gift of a baby girl and God's numerous blessings
  - iii. 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday thanksgiving of Mrs. Catherine I. Gbenle and God's numerous blessings
  - iv. Mrs. Ene Obla is thanking God for deliverance and safety from herdsmen / bandit attacks and God's numerous blessings
- ❖ For Doxology .... (pg 11)
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 539

**WE WELCOME ALL OUR FIRST TIMERS IN JESUS NAME. WE REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE MOVE TO THE LADY'S CHAPEL AFTER THE SERVICE WHERE OUR EVANGELICAL TEAM IS WAITING TO ATTEND TO YOU.**

**BREAST FEEDING SUITE**

This opens at the back of the ALTAR from 6.30am to 2.00pm on SUNDAYS to enable our nursing mothers remain BABY FRIENDLY within the confines of the Church during services.

**AVMCC DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT**

**Account Name:** AVMCC Development Fund  
**Account Number:** 1021733207  
**Sort Code:** 033154512  
**Branch Address, UBA Plc, 51A Adeniyi Jones Street, Ikeja**

**J. COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS**

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2020. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2019 to the Cathedral Office on or before 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2019.

**L. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENT & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS**

This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2020. Kindly send the names of your current Presidents, Secretaries & their phone numbers to the Cathedral Office to enable us update the 2019 Vestry Report latest by Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2019.

**M. REVISITING AND RESUSCITATING HOME FELLOWSHIP CENTRES IN AVMCC**

The Clergy workforce in conjunction with some well spirited members have perfected arrangements for the resuscitation of the Home Fellowship centres. It is like the ARK of Covenant in your home after the order of Obededom.

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Okere's	29, Fatai Irawo Str. Opp Green Point Hotel Ajao Estate.	Sundays @ 5.00pm
Osibajo's	20, Esomo Close Off Toyin Street, Ikeja	Sundays @ 5.00pm
Anionwu's	No 2 Winsala Oladipo Close Near Airforce small gate Mafoluku	Thursdays @ 5.00pm

Meeting time and date is subject to changes based on the consensus of the participants.

SUNDAY SUNDAY SERVICE won't suffice in this end time generation. Avail yourself of this opportunity as we are daily awaiting the second coming of Christ if only in the spirit of TRUE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP. For further information contact: 08023270247; 08028335070 and 08033109378.

**N. 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

For the New Cathedral Development Account details please refer to page 2 of this bulletin.

## **G. HARVEST NEWS**

### **A. Family Harvest for today- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019**

**7.00am:** Mr. Foster Ejiogu & Family, Mr. Jide Afolabi & Family, Jisike Okoli & Family, Sir. Paul Obla & Family, Omooba O. O. Onadeko & Family, Otunba Yomi Nubi & Family, Ndukwe Nlemadim & Family, Kunle Olabinton & Family, Mr. Solomon Omowhara & Family, Mr. Edward O. Okuromade & Family, Pharm. Kingsley Okeke & Family, Mr. Abel O. Ajayi & Family, Mr. Sigbeku Temi & Family, Sir. Charles Iheagwam & Family, Mama Odutola Osinaike & Family, Mr. Akin Akinronbi & Family, Mrs. Emilina Jekiri & Family, Engr. Gr. Capt. J. P. Obakpolor & Family,

**10.00am:** Otunba Femi Ogunyemi & Family, Olubokunkola Odutola & Family, Chief Funsho Ologunde & Family, Capt. Kola Abejide & Family, Mr. Oguwike Nwanchukwu & Family, Mr. Chinwuba Charles & Family, Mr. Julius Fadahunsi & Family, Faseminikan Jolaoluwa & Family, Chief Olorunda Akinwande & Family, Chief (Mrs. Florence Ogunbiyi & Family, Ajakpovi Paul & Family, Dr. Idowu Afinowi & Family, Mr. Chukwu F. Nicholas & Family, Mrs. Cordelier Ndukuba & Family, Tunde Adepoju & Family, Chief (Mrs.) Iyamide Gafar & Family, Mrs. Olateju Akindolire & Family, Engr. Godfrey Chinwokwu & Family, Mr. Theophilus Chukwueze & Family, Lady Uche Ezue & Family, Sir. Obi Chi Anadu & Family, Capt. Ade Adekunbi & Family, Mr. Ehi Braimah & Family,

### **B. Family Harvest for Next - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2019**

**7.00am:** Chief Marcus Ohagwa & Family, Barr. Dame Ugochi Madueke & Family, Chief (Mrs.) Toyin Oluwole & Family, Mr. Okezie Agazie & Family,

**10.00am:** Mrs. Ayodele Adewumi & Family, Mrs. Yemi Oyedeji & Family, Mazi Stanley Enekwa & Family, Hon. Justice Bisi Akinlade & Family,

### **2019 HARVEST PROGRAMMES**

- |                            |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| (1) Family Harvest         | Sunday, June – Nov. 2019 |
| (2) The Diocesan's Harvest | Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019    |
| (3) General Thanksgiving   | Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019    |

### **EGBA WEST INDIGENES**

All Indigenes of Egba West Diocese are invited to a Diocesan Harvest billed for Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. Time: 3.00pm  
Venue: St. Jude's Ebute Metta.

### **AVMCC CLINIC**

1. Pharmaceutical Companies interested in supplying pharmaceutical products to the AVMCC Clinic are hereby invited to submit application letters of intent along with the following documents:

- Brief dossier of the company
- Current annual license to practice of the Pharmacist
- Current annual Registration of Premises License
- Any other information considered needful.

AVMCC currently does her Bulk Purchase quarterly.

### **2. VACANCY:**

One State registered Nurse (SRV) is required:  
Applications for above adverts are to be address to:  
Secretary, AVMCC Medical Board  
AVMCC, Obajinjobi Way, Ikeja. On or before January 31<sup>st</sup> 2020. It must be submitted to the Dean's Office in AVMCC.

## **B. 10.00 am MATTINS**

**Cantor:** *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*  
**O.T. Reading:** *Layreader Edwin Ezech*  
**N.T. Reading:** *Layreader Oluremi Onabolu*  
**Preacher:** *The Rev. Dr. Benjamin Okere*  
**Intercession:** *The Ven. James Adekanye*

- ❖ Processional Hymn: VSH 81 'All Things Praise...'
- ❖ Praise & Worship **10mins. (Judges 1:1-2, Ps 100vs 4, Ps 95 vs 2)**
  
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Psalm
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Amos 5:18-24
- ❖ Hymn: TE DEUM
- ❖ N.T. Reading: John 10:7-18
- ❖ Apostles Creed - Collects
- ❖ Hymn: VSH 22 'More Holiness give me' (Pg. 16)
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Praises, Intercession - Grace
- ❖ The Offerings: Choruses
- (a) **First Fruit (b)Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering**
- ❖ **Thanksgiving:**
  - Family Harvest: *(as indicated.... pg 22)*
  - The Churching of Mrs. Kashimawo Afinowi for the gift of a baby boy and God's numerous blessings.
  - The Churching of Mrs. Pelumi Ologunde for the gift of a baby boy and God's numerous blessings.
  - The Churching of Mrs. Chiamaka Chukwu for the gift of a baby girl and God's numerous blessings, thanksgiving after the successful burial of Late Mr. Chukwu Akam (father of Bro. Chukwu .F. Nicholas) and journey mercies.
- ❖ For Doxology ..... (Pg 11)
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 614

### **C. NEXT WEEK SUNDAY DECEMBER 1, 2019**

The Bishop's Family Harvest Thanksgiving

### **D. Mothers Union meeting holds at the Lady Chapel**

By 5.00pm on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

*Topic: 'Take Me to the mountain that is higher than I'*

### **E. EVENTS AHEAD**

- 3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY PROGRAMME OF DHU:**
  - Nov., 27<sup>th</sup> 2019* - Destroying Evil bewitchment at 6.00pm
  - Nov., 29<sup>th</sup> 2019*- Holy Ghost/Deliverance Night at 11.00pm
  - Dec., 1<sup>st</sup> 2019* -*Thanksgiving Service at 7.00am*
4. Agape Christian Sisters Annual Yard Sales Event – Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at 9.00am - Vining Hall
3. **December Vigil fully jointly sponsored by Agape Christian Sisters, Light of the World & Ladies Progressive League**– Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 @ 10.00pm.
4. **Diocesan Harvest Thanksgiving – December, 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 @ 2.00pm**

## F. EQUIPPING THE SAINTS IS ON

"The new class for Discipleship Training (Equipping The Saints) started since Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2019. Time 9.00am. Venue 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Vining House, AVMCC. All Parishioners who are yet to explore the inherent advantages are hereby encouraged to join the class. It is spiritually rewarding.

### G. FIRST FRUIT – LEV. 23:10-11; DEUT. 26:1-10

1. Your first salary on a new job.
2. The first profit from a new line of business
3. For those already working, it is the first salary in the year.
4. When promoted to another level, the difference between your former salary and the new one.
5. To the aged with no pension, it is your first allowance from your children.
6. For Landlords and Landladies, the rent for the first month in the year is your first fruit.
7. For students, the poor, the jobless, it is your first gift in the year.
8. For those with multiple sources of income or salary, the best or the highest of all is ideal as first fruit.

**TEST GOD WITH IT, TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD – Mal. 3:10, Ps. 34:8**

**Acct NO - STANBIC IBTC - 9200212515- First Fruits**

## H. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2019 EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES

1. Sunday November 24, 2019 Cathedral Youth
2. Sunday December 1, 2019 Agape Christian Sisters
3. Sunday December 8, 2019 YMCA
4. Sunday December 15, 2019 Christian Brothers
5. Sunday December 22, 2019 Charity Band
6. Sunday December 29, 2019 Cathedral Youth

## I. 7.00a.m & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE

**Thought for the week: The Wages of Religious Hypocrisy**

**Prayer Conference Theme: Fire in my Bones**

**Cantor: The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin**

**Word & Prayer Ministration**

- ❖ Processional Hymn: VSH 70
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Psalm
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Amos 5:18-24
- ❖ Praises
- ❖ N.T. Reading: John 10:7-18
- ❖ Creed to Collect
- ❖ Choir Ministration
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Intercession
- ❖ Offerings: Choruses

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

- ❖ Thanksgiving
- ❖ Youth Anthem
- ❖ Notices - Secretariat
- ❖ Prayer & Benediction
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 614

## C. EEP NEWS TRACK

EEP NEWS TRACK

**Landing a Dream Job Seminar**

Are you looking for a new job?

Are you planning to make a career change?

If yes, this Seminar is for you! With the right professional branding, job search strategy and support you can land your dream job fast.

**To register** contact the EEP office 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Adetiloye House,

You may also call Kola – 07030298571, 08186134769 or Funmi- 08023234012.

**Business Clinic:** Free counseling and coaching sessions available to provide inspiration and mentorship for aspiring or emerging business owners. Parishioners are welcome to book an appointment at the EEP Office.

## D. BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Avail yourself of this plan. Read the BIBLE in one year and be blessed – **Rev. 1:3**

1. November 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday - 1 Cor. 9-12
2. November 25<sup>th</sup> Monday - 1 Cor. 13-16
3. November 26<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - 2 Cor. 1-3
4. November 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday - 2 Cor. 4-6
5. November 28<sup>th</sup> Thursday - 2 Cor. 7-9
6. November 29<sup>th</sup> Friday - 2 Cor. 10-13
7. November 30<sup>th</sup> Saturday - Gal. 1-3

## E. ROSTER FOR VIGIL

- DEC. (1) AGAPE CHRISTIAN SISTERS  
(2) LIGHT OF THE WORLD  
(3) LADIES PROGRESSIVE LEAGUE

## F. 15 BAD HABITS TO AVOID IN CHURCH:

*1 Timothy 3:15; 2 Thessalonians 3:7; 1 Thessalonians 2:10*

1. Chatting and receiving calls during Church Service.
2. Running out to pick calls with your phone ringing out so loud. This is SACRILEGIOUS.
3. Refusing to obey the directives of the Church Stewards indicates disobedience in the house of God.
4. Folding your hands when your Pastor is teaching or preaching. You are telling him that what he is saying is not worthwhile.
5. Habitual lateness to Church service is a SPIRITUAL FLIGHT that has take off time.
6. Staring at fellow parishioners and making them uncomfortable.
7. Dozing or sleeping in Church during sermon or in the course of the Service -Acts 20:9.
8. Sitting down inactive during Prayer or Praise session especially when other parishioners are standing without any evidence of health challenge.
9. Looking at the clock on the wall and your wristwatch and then at the Pastor's face insinuating that he should round off.
10. Borrowing things like phone chargers, pen etc. and leaving the Church with the said items. Remember Exodus 20:15, 17
11. Leaving the Church before the end of Service.
12. Gathering outside the Church to discuss while Service is going on. You're not honouring God whom you come to Worship.
13. Buying yourself a seat in Church and ensuring no one sits there even when you are not in church.
14. Leaving the Church without dropping your offering.
15. Talking and distracting others while service is on.

1 Samuel 2:30 '.....for those who honour Me I will honour and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed. **ALWAYS CHOOSE TO HONOUR GOD WHEN YOU ARE IN HIS PRESENCE AND INDEED EVERYWHERE ALL OF THE TIME.**

## 15. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- i. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery} Every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month. Venue: The AVMCC Main Sanctuary. Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- ii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers - Every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iii. Fasting & Prayer for Christian Mothers - Every last Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iv. **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. **NB: PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT THE STATUTORY TIME FOR FUNERALS ON FRIDAY IS 9.00AM. THIS IS SACROSANCT FOR OBVIOUS REASONS. GOD WILL SATISFY US ALL WITH LONG FLOURISHING LIVES IN JESUS. AMEN. IN THE SAME VEIN LYING IN STATE IS A PRIVATE FAMILY AFFAIR MEANT SOLELY AND IDEALLY FOR THE HOME OF THE DECEASED AND NOT IN THE CHURCH.**

### B. Obituaries

- i. We announce the passing into glory of our Father Lt. Col. R.O. Fashina (rtd), husband of Princess Helen Fashina of the Christian Morning Star, Band of Grace Society, Elderly Ministry & Vining Intercessors. Burial arrangements will be announced later.
- ii. We announce the passing into glory of our mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Obiajulu (Mother of Mr. Cosmos Obiajulu Emenike of the Good Shepherd Society) Aged 80years. Burial arrangements will be announced later.
- iii. We announce the passing into glory of our mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother Late Mrs. Okoronkwo Enyidiya Mgbokwo (Okoroji) of the Good Shepherd Society and Elderly Ministry. Aged 86years. Burial arrangements are as follows:  
**Service of songs:** On Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at her residence No. 11 Trombi Close, Off Adewunmi Ogefon Street, Ladipo Bus Stop, Oshodi by 4.00pm  
**Funeral Service:** On Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at Cathedral church of All Saints Ugwuavo, Arochukwu, Abia State by 10.00am
- iv. We announce the passing into glory of our mother and Grandmother, Late. Mrs. Leah Akinronbi the mother of Bro. Akin Akinronbi of Ambassadors of Christ Society. Aged 72years. Burial arrangements are as follows:  
**Wake-Keep:** On Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at Vining Hall, AVMCC by 5.00pm.  
**Funeral Service:** On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at AVMCC by 9.00am.
- v. We announce the passing into glory of our mother, Ezinne Augusta Chukwuere (Mother of Mr. & Mrs. Theophilus Chukwuere of the Lord's Labourers Fellowship Int'l and Evangelical Ministry). Aged 100years. Burial arrangements are as follows:  
**Wake Keep:** On Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 at her compound, Ohaekwusim Emesiriji Emuezekaram, Ogboro-Isiala, Ihiala, Anambra State.  
**Funeral Service:** On Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 at All Saints Anglican Church, Ogboro-Isiala, Ihiala, Anambra State at 11.00am

### C. AFRIKOINART

“WOMAN OF WAR”

**A Stage Play:** (An Adaptation of Judge Deborah's Story)

**Date:** Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2019; **Time:** 5.00pm

**Venue:** Primrose Event Centre, 1, Akilo Road, Off Oba Akran, Ikeja.

**Tickets can be obtained via the following contacts:**

**Siji (08078820577), Chinwe (07068725724)**

**Regular: N1,000.00. VIP: N5,000.00**

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## K. 6.00 pm. EVENSONG

**Cantor:** *The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

**Preacher:** *A Youth*

**Sponsor:** *The Cathedral Youth*

**Organist:** *Mr. Femi Williams*

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CH 382
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Praise Worship
- ❖ Lesson: Matthew 21:28-43 – *The Cathedral Youth*
- ❖ Hymn: VSH 75
- ❖ Short Exhortation & Prayer
- ❖ Offerings Choruses  
(a) *First Fruit* (b) *Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering*
- ❖ Thanksgiving
- ❖ Closing Prayer
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CH 516

## 2. SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

### Introductory Sentence

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation. *Isaiah 12:2*

### Collect for Sunday before Advent

God our Father, your Son came in love to deliver us and to equip us for eternal life: free us from all that hinders us from running the race you have set before us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Post Communion Sentence

So also Christ died only as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people, He will come again but not to deal with our sins again. This time He will bring salvation to all those who are eagerly waiting for Him. *Hebrews 9:28.*

### TOWARDS THE NEW CATHEDRAL

#### THE COLLECT:

Heavenly Father we acknowledge the fact that without You, we can do nothing, for except You build, those who are building are doing it in vain. Empower us to build to Your glory and honour O Lord. Provide for us unto overflowing and over abundance. Make way where there seems to be none, silence every spirit of Sanballat and Tobiah and fill us with the anointing of Zerubbabel unto a glorious timely and speedy completion for with You there is no abandoned project. All of these and many more mercies and grace we ask for in the mighty name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.



**DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST** (*Anglican Communion*)

### 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COLLECT

Heavenly Father from whom all good gifts cometh and to whom we owe the gratitude for provisions for every kingdom vision, we yield our heartiest thanks to you for the establishment of the Diocese of Lagos West two decades ago.

We thank You for that little beginning like mustard seed that has blossomed to enviable heights. We thank You and give You all the glory for the pioneering efforts by the Houses of Bishop, Clergy and Laity and the grace given to succeeding generations of men, women, young and old to build upon and run with the vision.

We thank You that we have never been in want of the essential human, material, financial and spiritual resources for sustenance; for all we have needed your hand has indeed bountifully provided unto overflowing.

Grant us grace and mercy as we mark this 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and as You remain our refuge and strength, that your glory upon us as a

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Diocese shall never become Ichabod and that Your Work continually prospers in our hand so that it does not become desolate, a proverb or a byword.

Remain our strength O Lord like the eagle's, as we continually wait upon you and enable us to continually soar and attain greater heights even as we remain committed to Your vision. Grant us O Lord Grace to keep running with it without becoming weary and continuing in our Christian commitment to enlarge God's kingdom on earth without fainting.

All of these and many mercies we ask for as we continue to lift up our eyes to You alone for help for the Houses of Bishop, Clergy and Laity, unto latter glories, greater exploits and unprecedented testimonies; all to the glory of Your Name alone, the shame of the devil and our everlasting blessing till the Second Coming of Christ in glory in Jesus Name. Amen.

3. **LET THERE BE PEACE (ADAPTED)**  
**Let there be PEACE shared among us**  
**Let there be Peace in our hearts**  
**May NOW your Peace sweep this church**  
**Cause us O Lord to Arise**  
**Give us a fresh understanding**  
**Of Brotherly Peace that is Real**  
**Let there be Peace shared among us**  
**Let there be Peace.**

4. **PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY– SUNDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019**

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

- i. Pray for Nicholas our Primate, Olusina, Our Archbishop and Olusola our Bishop, that the power to succeed in ministry should come upon them and their families..
- ii. For the Rt. Rev. Ephraim Ikeakor, his family and all members of the Diocese of Amichi.

B. **Prayer for Nigeria & the World**

- i. *Pray that the Lord of Host in His mercies will on account of His elects and remnants in Nigeria frustrate every raging from the pit of hell and all evil counsels, gang-ups and schemes in form of Boko Haram, Herdsmen and Islamicization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of **TURKEY** nor **NORTH AFRICA** in Jesus Name. Amen.*
- ii. Pray that Nigeria will not experience negative surprises this latter part of the year
- iii. Pray that wherever we have failed in the past, we shall succeed exceedingly in Jesus Name.

C. **Prayers for AVMCC Members**

- i. Pray that the Spirit of the living God will arise and take our Church to greater knowledge of the word of God.
- ii. Pray that the month of December shall be month of good harvest for the Cathedral members home and abroad.
- iii. Pray that the grace to wake up and win souls be increase in us.

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

- i. For Chief (Mrs.) Abeke Nubi, Mr. Agbola Adeleke, Mrs. Gbenle Catherine, Engr. Osakwe Prince, Miss Odupaye Titilope, Mrs. Okafor Scholarstica, Mrs. Okonkwo Joyce, Mr. Olowojoba Victor, Mr. Levi Kenechukwu, Mrs. Onyebuanyi Ijeoma, Mrs. Unegbu Ndididi and others who are celebrating their birthdays today.
- ii. For those having their Wedding Anniversaries or any other positive Anniversaries today.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP**

The desirability of society membership is traceable to the Godly advice of Jethro to Moses his son in law as he administered the huge population of the Israelites in the wilderness.

**“MOREOVER THOU SHALL PROVIDE OUT ALL THE PEOPLE ABLE MEN, SUCH AS FEAR GOD, MEN OF TRUTH, HATING COVETOUSNESS AND PLACE SUCH OVER THEM, TO BE RULERS OF THOUSANDS AND RULERS OF HUNDREDS, RULERS OF FIFTIES AND RULERS OF TENS” EXOD. 18:21.**

Beloved to the glory of God AVMCC is a fairly large congregation and as the Israel of God today Gal. 6:16 we must follow the Bible standard as expatiated fully in Exodus 18:17-27 for the following reasons:

1. It is good to be in society vs 17.
2. The blessings of joining a society far outweighs the burden if any.
3. The burden if any is light because it is of Christ and not of man – Matt. 11:28-30.
4. The Priests will not wear out in attending to large congregation as it is not possible to know everybody vs 18.
5. The people will not wear out as their matter receive the attention of sectional leaders with a referral of major matters to appropriate quarters vs 18.
6. It is a Godly counsel to be a member of a society vs 19.
7. It is an avenue to learn more of the ordinances of God and His laws vs 20.
8. It affords the opportunities of knowing the way of God better as seminars retreats, visitations, fellowships, fasting praying are arranged vs 20.
9. It points us to the work which we have to do vs 20.
10. It enables the Priest to focus more on Prayer and the word of God which of course is their major assignment Acts 6:4.
11. It allows the church to maximize the potentials of spiritual gifts and explore talents of members using also their professional expertise to enhance the standard of the Church vs 21.
12. It allows for matters to receive urgent and timely attention vs 22.
13. It makes the work in the house of God to be EASY and not become a BURDEN vs 22.
14. It allows for all to ENDURE vs 23.
15. It allows for a more PEACEFUL co-existence vs 23.

**NB: SHEEP DO NOT WALK ALONE THEY FLOCK TOGETHER. DO NOT BE AN ISOLATIONIST.**

**KEEP AVMCC CLEAN AND IN ORDER**  
**IF YOU DROP IT, PICK IT UP**  
**IF YOU SPILL IT, MOP IT UP**  
**IF IT FALLS, HANG IT UP**  
**IF YOU PUT IT ON, PUT IT OFF**  
**IF YOU SWITCH IT ON, SWITCH IT OFF**  
**IF YOU OPEN IT, CLOSE IT**

**THE CATHEDRAL REFURBISHMENT PROJECT:**

**INTERIM LIST OF ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR OFF-TAKERS**

Below are items available for off-taking and funding by individuals, Societies or Groups. The list is an Interim one, subject to modifications as dictated by design exigencies and statutory requirement/compliance. Estimates of Costs are being compiled, to be finalised based on Final Design Specification.

Interested Off-takers are kindly required to express their interest and making payment on account to tie down their interest.

S/N	ITEM	QTY	STATUS
1.	Main Auditorium Altar Table	1	Taken
2.	Main Auditorium Pulpit	1	Taken
3.	Main Auditorium Lectern	1	Taken
4.	Bishop's Throne –High Altar	1	Taken
5.	Bishop's Throne – Choir Stall Side	1	Taken
6.	Various Chancery Furniture	Lot	Available
7.	Altar Railings	Lot	Available
8.	Chapel Altar Tables	3	2 nos. taken
9.	Pews for Main Auditorium	Lot	Available
10.	Complete Set of Pews for each Chapel	3 Lots	Available
11.	Baptismal Font	1	Taken
12.	West Door	1	Taken
13.	North Door	1	Taken
14.	South Door	1	Taken
15.	Doors leading to Sacristy	2	Available
16.	Doors leading to Bishop's/Priests' Vestries	2	Available
17.	Doors leading to Guild of Steward's Vestry	2	Available
18.	Entrance Doors to North & South Gallery	2	Available
19.	Entrance Doors to Audio Visual Room	2	Available
20.	Choir Stall	Lot	Taken
21.	Vicars' Stall	Lot	Available
22.	Cantor's Stall	Lot	Available
23.	Warden's Stall	Lot	Available
24.	Sacristy Furniture	Lot	Available
25.	Bishop's Vestry Furniture	Lot	Available
26.	Priests' Vestry Furniture	Lot	Available
27.	Choir Vestry Furniture	Lot	Available
28.	Main Altar Stained Glass Window	1	Taken
29.	West Façade Windows with tinted Glazing (various Sizes)	20	Available
30.	Curtain Wall – West Façade	2	Available
31.	North Façade Windows with tinted Glazing (various Sizes)	81	Available
32.	Curtain Wall- North Façade	2	Available
33.	East Façade Windows with tinted Glazing (various sizes)	33	Available
34.	Curtain Wall – East Façade	2	Available
35.	The Belfry	1 Lot	Taken
36.	THE PIPE ORGAN	1 Lot	Available
37.	Complete Audio Visual System	1 Lot	Available
38.	Air-Conditioning System	Lot	Available
39.	Passenger Lifts- 15 Passenger Car	4	Available
40.	Water Closets	27	Partial Commitment
41.	Disabled Toilet Sets	2	Available
42.	Wash Hand Basins	38	Available
43.	Urinals	6	Available
44.	Breast Feeding Cubicles	4	Available
45.	Electricals- Light fittings	LOT	Available
46.	Transformer	1	Available
47.	Chandeliers	LOT	Available
48.	Ceiling	LOT	Available
49.	Roofing	LOT	Available
50.	Internal Painting	LOT	Taken
51.	External Painting	LOT	Available
52.	Floor Finishes- Marble	LOT	Available
53.	Floor Finishes - Tiling	LOT	Available
54.	Floor Finishes - Carpets	LOT	Available
55.	Building Structure- Foundation to Ground Floor Slab	LOT	Available
56.	Building Structure – South Wall & Ancillaries	LOT	Available
57.	Building Structure – North Wall & Ancillaries	LOT	Available
58.	Building Structure – West Wall & Ancillaries	LOT	Available
59.	Building Structure East Wall & Ancillaries	LOT	Available
60.	Internals- Pillars & Arches	LOT	Available

Kindly indicate interest by contacting the Wardens, the Fund Raising Committee Office (08155745555) or by e mail to :avmccfundraising@gmail.com.

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

Onuekwusi Family, Onugobo Family, Onukwube Family, Onuma Family, Onumajuru Family, Onuoha Family, Onuorah Family, Onwachei Family, Onwadike Family, Onwu Family.

**F. Prayers for the following Elders:** The Rt. Rev. Dr. P. A. Adebisi, Engr. & Mrs. Odedairo, Mrs. Beatrice Akinola, Mrs. David-West, Justice S.O. Ilori, Mrs M.I. Ilori, Mrs Lydia Metu, Mr. B. Sorinmade, Mrs. M.M. Aruofor, Mrs Esther Babalola, Mrs Roseline Anyadikwa, Mrs. Ronke Famuyide, Mr. Samuel Chukwudum.

**G. Prayers For:** The barren, the pregnant, spinsters, bachelors, the jobless and the homeless among us that God will open a book of remembrance covering them all and help them speedily to the shame of the devil, removing their reproaches.

**H.** Pray that God will send HELP to us from ABOVE to facilitate the development of our lands that are fallow.

**5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK  
SUNDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019  
THEME: THE WAGES OF RELIGIOUS HYPOCRISY  
READINGS: AMOS 5:18-24; HEBREWS 9:24-28;  
JOHN 10:7-18**

Vine's Expository dictionary paints the picture of an Hypocrite thus: that it, "Primarily denotes one who answers, then a stage-actor; it was a custom for Greek and Roman actors to speak in large masks with mechanical devices for augmenting the force of the voice; hence the word became used metaphorically of a dissembler, a hypocrite.

From the above dictionary meaning, an hypocrite is one who engages in acting out falsehood; to stage managed.

Religious hypocrisy therefore is insincere display of religiosity that is, stage-managing instead of demonstrating faithfulness. There is a reward for every act of service to God, whether good or bad, God will surely judge. The Rev. Dr. Ola Akande, in his book, "The Courage to Live" described hypocrisy as a disease of deception. According to him, it's symptom is a false show of honesty of industry, of pretty, of love, of money, or readiness to cooperate...Hypocrisy is a dangerous disease and those who possess it are to a greater extent dangerous too".

The Church is vulnerable! She is so exposed that sinners are not only having fun in the holy sanctuary they are having their way. Our places of worship are not different from Building of theatre where people come to have fun because leaders of worship are now seen as stage-actors-who rather than point the people to God, resort to "show-off" and all manner of "showmanship". The moment attention shifts from God to man, it is a display of Religious hypocrisy and God detest and reject such service and worship. Anyone who practice falsehood under saintly show is a hypocrisy.

In the book of prophet Hosea, the word of God says, "And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their doings" (4:9). Simply put, both the leader (Priest) and the people will be punished for wrong doings. When the leaders who are to be the means of grace to many but who became the means by which the people become corrupt and a reproach to the name of God, will not go unpunished.

The hypocrisy of the leaders is no more hidden to the followers, so much that a state of decadence pervades the Holy Sanctuary. God rejected the sacrifice and offerings of the people of Israel, their actions were full of hypocrisy- man made religion. This was highlighted in one of the passages read today, precisely in the book of Amos God did not hide His feelings about their hypocrisy when He said, 'though you offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept them; neither will I regard the peace offering of your fat beasts'(Amos 5:22). It is note worthy that the book picture a time of moral anarchy as we have today. The outward religious observances are kept up, and the temples are thronged with worshippers; tithes and voluntary offerings are duly paid. But religion has divorced itself from morality, the stated worship of God from reverence for the character of God.

Is it not obvious that hypocrisy has reduced sermons to mere noise making and rhetorics? What Fruit (godly character) is the homily producing? In the early Church, nobody was able to withstand the efficacy of the word of God; the people's reaction was, "They were pricked in their heart... What shall we do? Today in many assembly the effect is negative. God said, "I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies (5:21).

The danger of religious hypocrisy is that it is hidden from men (except where the spirit to discern is available) but clearly opened to God. Worship and services that seems good outwardly to man is detestable to God. The opposite of hypocrisy is sincerity. Sincere worshippers cannot but feel God's presence and power. The moment strange things start emerging from our services / worship to God, we need to seek God for intervention. Religious hypocrisy breeds complain and criticism because genuineness and sincerity was lacking. We must come clean to God and be sincere; not trying to please man but God. If we get it right with God, our relationship with man will be fix. How do you explain strange characters that emanates among believers, when for instance an hypocrit's smile cannot be regarded as genuine because behind it is an ulterior motive; one whose experience of love cannot vouchsafe to be an expression of true friendship; or when a supposed member come subtly like snake in the garden of Eden seeking to know what your disposition about an issue, but with premeditated wicked intent to pull you down- these acts and many more are the hypocrisy common among Christians. And God said, "take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not hear the melody of your viols". Amos called out to Israel, prepare to meet your God, O Israel"(4:12). In the same way, if you must avoid the wrath of God, refrain from religious hypocrisy.

Friends, God's judgment is near, you need to prepare to meet your God because your salvation is nearer than when you first believed. Every act of hypocrisy will be judged, and there shall be no escape. Amos said, the day of the LORD is near and "woe unto you who desire the day of the LORD" yet unprepared.

The scripture is clear about the wages of religious hypocrisy: "It is woe" Jesus Christ called the scribes and the Pharisees, hypocrites He said to them, woe unto you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites. If according to Matthew 5:20", that except your righteousness exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees (above hypocrisy) you shall not enter into the kingdom of Heaven.

Let's conclude with the eight woes (judgment) condemnation against the sins of hypocrisy as pronounce by Jesus upon the scribes and the Pharisees.

You must avoid these eight sins commonly found among religious hypocrites, which attracts denunciation and condemnation from God.

1. In Matthew 23:13, Hypocrites are obstacles to men entering into the kingdom of God. They are not willing to go in and hinders other from entering.
2. In Matt. 13:14, they put up false piety by making long prayers yet deceive people and frustrate the helpless.

## **B. Cathedral Youth Chapel Regular Weekly Programmes**

- Strictly Feminine - Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.
  - Just 4 Guys – Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 1.00p.m
  - Youth Fellowship every Saturday by 3.00p.m.
- Sunday:** 7.00am. & 10.00am. Services  
**Venue:** Youth Chapel (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Adetiloye House)  
**Strictly Feminine – Co-ord – Chiemeka Anadu - 08094816786.**  
**Just 4 Guys Co-ord. – Chijioke Udemezue - 08038178065**

## **C. Elderly Ministry**

All Senior Citizens are welcome every Tuesday from 11.00 am to 3.00pm.

- Medical Check-up in the Clinic; Spiritual Talks; Games /Exercises and Handicrafts in the Vining Hall.
- Please send names of sick and shut-in Elders to the Coordinator Elderly Ministry or the Cathedral office for visitation.
- 2020 Bible Quiz Book – (1) Ruth (11) The Catechism**

## **D. Evangelical Ministry**

### **i. Monthly Meeting**

- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Vining House by 6.00pm.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday has been shifted to 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday.

### **ii. Home Fellowships:**

All Parishioners and their friends are encouraged to attend a Home Fellowship of their Choice and convenience near their homes or work places. Please check the list of Home Fellowship Centres.

### **iii. Visitation:**

Do you know any Parishioner who needs to be visited by the Church? Please send the name and address to the Evangelical Ministry, the Intercessors or the Dean for a follow-up.

## **E. Counseling Ministry**

Please take advantage of the Cathedral Counselling Ministry. It involves every aspect of Human Endeavour, which includes but is not limited to Marriage, Business, and Career. We have a monthly Family Evening where we bring the current needs of Families into focus. If you wish to talk to somebody for Counselling, please call: **08037605902, available on 24 hour basis.**

## **F. Prisons & Hospital Ministry**

- (a) Hospital Visitation every 3<sup>rd</sup> and last Sundays of the month.
- (b) Prison visitation every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month (c) Meeting comes up every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after 10.00a.m Service at the Church gallery. For more information, call **(08033136370 and 08036695837).**

## **G. Intercessory Ministry**

This Group, meets for prayers every Tuesday from 5p.m to 6pm. They visit the sick and all those needing spiritual support and prayers etc after 7.00a.m Midweek Communion service every Wednesday. Please avail yourself of the services of this group as and when required.

## **H. Men & Women of Grace Fellowship**

We invite all widows and widowers to a fellowship of God's grace, identifying with one another, serving God and others. We organise Workshops, Evangelical Outreach, Visitations, We meet on Thursdays at 11.00am at the Chapel. For more information please call: **0802-3014807.**



**C. Vining Bookshop**

Kindly patronize the Bookshop at Adetiloye House, which opens at 9.00am-5.00pm Tuesday to Friday, 10.00am-4.00pm on Saturdays and 9.30am-2.00pm on Sundays.

**D. AVMCC Guest House**

Stay within a purely Christian environment at AVMCC Guest House. Visit the Office of Archbishop Vining Memorial Church Cathedral, GRA, Ikeja, for more details and Booking. You will be happy to use the Facilities. For Enquiries call – **Mr. Seye Ogunsanya on 07032649958**

**E. Lagos Anglican Dioceses Bible College, Lagos.**

Interview continues for admission into the Certificates, the Diploma and the Advanced Course in Biblical Studies at the College premises (LABICO), 17 Broad Street, Lagos. For more details call –08033083851.

**FAITH INSPIRING TESTIMONIES OF THE WEEK**

1. For not losing my job while many got retrenched in my place of work
2. For successful completion of ICAN programme and Induction into Account profession.
3. For covenant miracle of shelter
4. For prospering my business and taking me out of debt
5. For unimaginable surprise of joy after fear almost stifled me
6. For ability and strength to move forward
7. For saving me from a ghastly motor accident on Lagos Ibadan Express Way.

**HYMN FOR 7.00AM & 10.00AM SERVICES**

1 More holiness give me,  
More striving within;  
More patience in suffering,  
More sorrow for sin;  
More faith in my Savior,  
More sense of His care.  
More joy in His service,  
More purpose in prayer.

2 More gratitude give me,  
More trust in the Lord;  
More pride in His glory,  
More hope in His word;  
More tears for His sorrows,  
More pain at His grief;  
More meekness in trial,  
More praise for relief.

3 More purity give me,  
More strength to overcome;  
More freedom from earth-stains,  
More longings for home;  
More fit for the kingdom,  
More used would I be;  
More blessed and holy,  
More, Savior, like Thee

3. In Matt. 23:15 - they work hard to draw people to themselves instead of God, and ended up making them hell bound because of their false religious yoke and burden they placed on people
4. In Matt. 23:16-22; they are regarded as blind fools because they lead others even when they themselves are spiritually blind. They exalt gifts brought to the altar above the giver (God). And give credence to treasures (gold) more than the temple of God.
5. In Matt. 23:23-24, they major in the minor and minor in the major. Hypocrites make so much noise about the things they have done. They claimed payment of tithes; to have built Churches; they give attention to activities that are of less significant to the agenda of God for their lives. Like Martha, they are "cumbered about much serving". Read Lk. 10:30-42.
6. In Matt. 23:25-26, Hypocrites are more concern about outward show rather than deal with the deceit of their heart by purging themselves from the filth within (moral purity) that will translate in affecting the outside as well.
7. In Matt. 23:27-28, Similar to no 6 above, they appear righteous outward unto men, but within rotten. Let's be mindful of what we do when no one is watching. These sins done in secret will become the basis for judgment in the day of the LORD; the day of God's visitation.

8. Finally in Matt. 23:29, Simply' they give honour to departed saints' (Saints triumphant) while planning to destroy living saints(militants) even Christ. They are always critical of people who are Zealous for God.

In Conclusion, hypocrisy is nothing but deceit, lie and wicked tendencies. It is likened to the Biblical thief(Satan) who enters into a man subtly, whose mission was to steal, to kill and to destroy. If you don't confess this sin of hypocrisy; it will destroy you. Jesus Christ is the antidote for religious hypocrisy and sin. The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I (Jesus) have come that they may have life and that they may have it more abundantly.(John 10:10)

Next Sunday is Advent Sunday, the beginning of a New year Church calendar. How prepared are you for Christ second coming?. The book of Hebrews says, "And just as it is appointed for people to die once-and after this, judgment- so also the Messiah having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for Him"(9:27-28).

**2019 INTERSOCIETY FINAL RESULT FOR BIBLE QUIZ COMPETITION**

S/N	SOCIETY	Grand Total	POSITION
1.	Young Men Christian Association	65	1 <sup>st</sup> Position
2.	Ladies Christian League	60	2 <sup>nd</sup> Position
3.	Young Women Christian Association	55	3 <sup>rd</sup> Position
4.	Christian Family Society	52.5	4 <sup>th</sup> Position
5.	Christian Brothers Society	40	5 <sup>th</sup> Position
6.	Christian Household	40	5 <sup>th</sup> Position
7.	Light of the World	40	5 <sup>th</sup> Position
8.	Band of Faith	39	8 <sup>th</sup> Position
9.	Band of Glory	30	9 <sup>th</sup> Position

## 10. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

November 17 – November 23

7.00 am Holy Communion	1091
7.00 am Youth Service	148
7.00 am Sunday School	227
10.00 am Mattins	965
10.00 am Youth Service	156
10.00 am Sunday School	205
6.00 pm Service	32
Tuesday Bible Study	112
Wednesday Holy Communion	143
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	156

## 11. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

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

✚ *Band of Faith Society*

✚ *Ladies Christian League Society*

✚ *Christian Friends Society*

✚ *Lords Labourers Fellowship*

- AVMCC Brigade Patrons and Patroness meeting comes up on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at Seminar Room immediately after 10.00am service.

## 12. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

### A. Cathedral Health Centre

#### i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2019

**7.00a.m-10.00a.m:** Dr. Akinlembola Makinde, Dr. Akinola Oliver, Pharm. Ifeanyi Uchefuna, Mrs. Gina Okolo,

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Dr. Frances Ajose, Dr. Femi Olaleye, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm (Mrs. Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs. Bola Awobiyi, Mrs. Chinelo Emenike.

#### ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2019

**7.00a.m-10.00a.m:** Dr. Makinde Akinlembola, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm. (Mrs) Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs. Gina Okolo, Ejikeme Ikeh

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Dr. Frances Ajose, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Mrs. Bola Awobiyi, Ms. Adenike Adefila, Dr. Femi Olaleye.

### B. Security & Traffic Control

#### i. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov., - Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

Segun Openiyi. (Captain), Nwaorgu Chinedu, (Assistant Captain), Odanye Moji (Mrs.), Ayo Tetede, Ogunleye Adeboboye, Mbaekwe Augustine, Dare Sigboku, Jones Basse, George A. Adeyemi, Juliet Chimezie, Omotola Onakoya, Akinniran O. Temidayo, Bolaji Dania, Rita Osibodu, Olusegun Esan.

#### ii. Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec., - Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2019

Jemerigbe Helen .I. (Captain), Helen Arhagba, (Assistant Captain), Caroline Omowhara, Jones Basse, Funso Fagbuyiro, Kene Obimma, Chukwuemeka Osaka, Bolaji Dania, Funmi Ladele, Ekwegh Lilian, Olusegun Esan, Enujiok Michael.

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## 11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Advent Sunday

December 1

**Theme:** Behold, He Comes

**Colour:** Violet

**6.00am:** HOUR OF BLESSINGS

**7.00 am:** HOLY COMMUNION

**BISHOP'S HARVEST / DELIVERANCE AND HEALING UNIT (DHU) ANNIVERSARY**

*Celebrant:* The Ven. Festus Olowosile

*Epistle:* Romans 13:8-14

*Layreader* Tunde Sotuminu

*Gospel:* Matthew 24:36-44

*The Rev. Canon Benson Odude*

*Address:* The Diocesan

### THE YOUTH SERVICE

**Venue:** The Adetiloye House

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin

**Preacher:** The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin

**10.00am** HOLY COMMUNION

**BISHOP'S HARVEST / CHRISTIAN MORNING STAR ANNIVERSARY**

*Celebrant:* The Ven. James Adekanye

*Epistle:* Romans 13:8-14

*Christian Morning Star*

*Gospel:* Matthew 24:36-44

*The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*

*Address:* The Ven. Festus Olowosile

**6.00 pm:** EUCHARIST WITH ANOINTING

*Celebrant:* The Ven. Gbenga Oniye

*Psalm:* 122

*Lesson:* Matthew 24:36-44

*Preacher:* The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin

## 12. BANNES OF MARRIAGE

We publish the Bannes 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.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> NOTICE:

1. *Mr. Chukwudum Ekwueme & Miss Lilian Ughelu*

2. *Mr. Chiebuka Nworah & Miss Chiamaka Ememuo*

### 2<sup>ND</sup> NOTICE:

1. *Mr. Chukwuemeka Nzewi & Miss Ifeoma Achebe*

2. *Mr. Ikenna Uzoma & Miss Chinwe Abaraonye*

### 1<sup>ST</sup> NOTICE:

1. *Mr. Chukwuemeka Nzewi & Miss. Ifeoma Achebe*

2. *Mr. Ikenna Uzoma & Miss. Chinwe Abaraonye*

## 13. NOTICES

### A. Visitors and New Comers

We welcome Visitors and New Comers to Archbishop Vining Memorial Church Cathedral, Ikeja. We pray that the joy of the Lord will be yours today and always. You are requested to please move to the Lady's Chapel after the service where our Evangelical Team is waiting to attend to you.

### B. Library:

The Cathedral Library opens daily:

Monday – Friday 9.00am to 6.00pm

Sundays 1.00pm to 3.00pm

We request everyone to make use of this opportunity.

15.

**Friday, November 29, 2019 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*

**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 3:13-4.6 - Lay. A. Sanya*

**Gospel:** *Matthew 20:17-28*

**Hymns:** *CH 306, VSH 19, CH XVI*

**Preacher:** *The Rev. Canon Benson Odude*

**Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Christopher T. omotunde, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ekiti.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Godson Ukanwa, his family and all members of the Diocese of Isi Mbano.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr. Nnebedum Nestor, Mr. Obiezu Ndubuisi, Mrs. Balogun Yeside, David Onimisin, Mrs. Oguntuase Olufunke, Mrs. Okafor Amara, Mrs. Okerulu Chinwe, Arch. Okolo Dennis and Mr. Onadeko Adetoun, Pharm. Ifeanyi Uchefuna.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Orabuche Family, Oraelosi Family, Orakwe Family, Orakwue Family, Oramadike Family, Orebela Family, Oredugba Family, Oriji Family, Oriuwa Family, Orji Family.

**9.00am Funeral Service for  
Late Mr. Olanrewaju G. A. Olundegun**

**6.00pm EFAC Meeting**

**6.30pm Choir Practice**

**11.00pm Monthly Vigil –**

*THEME: HOLY GHOST / DELIVERANCE NIGHT*

**Saturday, November 30, 2019 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 4:7-19 - Lay. Okey Ogbu*

**Gospel:** *Matthew 20:29-34*

**Hymns:** *CH 12, VSH 2, CH 578*

**Preacher:** *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*

**Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Praises Omole-Ekun, his family and all members of Diocese of Zaria.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Emmanuel C. Mduwike, his family and all members of Diocese of Ikeduru.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs. Anadu Chinyelu, Mr. Offor Uchenna, Mr. Okafor Samuel, Mr. Chika Osita, Mr. Iloputa Oliver, Mrs. John Philomena, Mrs. Okolie Joan, Mr. Odeneye Adetunji, Mr. Udeoba Success, Mr. Okafor Ejike, Mr. Izuagba Victor, and Chief Ngonadi Okechukwu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Orjiekwe Family, Orji-Nwozor Family, Orofu-Rowland Family, Oroge Family, Oruche Family, Osadi Family, Osa-Iyoha Family, Osaka Family, Osakwe Family, Osazuwa Family.

**11.30am Wedding  
Mr. Chukwunonso Egbubine & Miss. Lorette Owolo**

**1.00pm 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving of  
Chief Okechukwu .N. Ngonadi**

**4.00 pm Youth Fellowship**

**4.00 pm Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade**

**4.00 pm Baptism**

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## **E. RAISING N5 BILLION CATHEDRAL DEVELOPMENT FUND**

With the estimated 2,000 worshippers regularly seeking, serving and worshipping the Lord in AVMCC, coupled with the spheres of influence and the tentacles of each and everyone of us, given our friends, well wishers, colleagues, family members, neighbours, business associates etc it will take the following analysis to raise the sum of 5billion Naira for developmental fund from which the refurbishment of the Cathedral shall be done while also focusing on the development of the various fallow lands owned by the Cathedral situated at Isheri North, Baruwa Ipaja, Oregon, Oba Akran etc spread over Lagos State.

1	person giving 5 billion	= 5 billion
2	persons giving 2.5billion	= 5 billion
5	people giving 1 billion each	= 5 billion
10	people giving 500 million each	= 5 billion
20	people giving 250 million each	= 5 billion
50	people giving 200 million each	= 5 billion
100	people giving 50 million each	= 5 billion
200	people giving 25 million each	= 5 billion
250	people giving 20 million each	= 5 billion
334	people giving 15 million each	= 5 billion
500	people giving 10 million each	= 5 billion
1000	people giving 5 million each	= 5 billion
2000	people giving 2.5 million each	= 5 billion
2500	people giving 2 million each	= 5 billion
5000	people giving 1 million each	= 5 billion
10,000	people giving 500,000 each	= 5 billion
20,000	people giving 250,000 each	= 5 billion
25,000	people giving 200,000 each	= 5 billion
50,000	people giving 100,000 each	= 5 billion
100,000	people giving 50,000 each	= 5 billion
200,000	people giving 25,000 each	= 5 billion
250,000	people giving 20,000 each	= 5 billion
500,000	people giving 10,000 each	= 5 billion
1,000,000	people giving 5,000 each	= 5 billion
5,000,000	people giving 1,000 each	= 5 billion
10,000,000	people giving 500 each	= 5 billion

With each and every one of us as fund ambassadors going out to appeal for fund in the realization of this lofty venture, all we need to do is to know someone who knows someone, who knows someone and who know someone else for God is still in the habit of using human vessels to accomplish His purposes.

Nehemiah got letters from the King appealing for donors in kind, cash and materials to build. **Neh. 2:7-8.**

**WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A WAY.**

### **HYMN FOR DOXOLOGY - (I.O.M 309 TRANSLATED)**

1. My spirit on Thy care,  
Blest Saviour, I recline;  
Thou wilt not leave me to despair,  
For Thou art love divine.
2. In Thee I place my trust,  
On Thee I calmly rest;  
I know Thee good, I know Thee just,  
And count Thy choice the best.
3. Whate'er events betide,  
Thy will they all perform:  
Safe in Thy breast my head I hide,  
Nor fear the coming storm.
4. Let good or ill befall,  
It must be good for me;  
Secure of having Thee in all,  
Of having all in Thee. Amen.

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## 10. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, November 25, 2019 Colour: Red**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Celebrant:** *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem*  
**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 1:1-12 - Lay. T. Gidado*  
**Gospel:** *Matthew 19:1-12*  
**Hymns:** *CH 3, VSH 99, CH 545*  
**Preacher:** *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*

### **Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Samuel Egbeunmi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ilesa South West.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Edward Osuegbu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Okigwe.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs. Egbunonu Olachi, Chief Aderiye Matthew, Mrs. Babalola Esther, Miss. Chimelie Ijeoma, Miss. Echezo Iheoma, Mr. Ekwueme Uchenna, Miss. Nwosu-Igbo Chingo, Mr. Obiaka Emmanuel, Mrs. Ogbuka Florence, Mr. Omoregie Michael, Mr. Okparaugo Michael, Dr. Ofoegbu Okechukwu and Mr. Ogundipe Adeleke.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Onuama Family, Onwuasonaya Family, Onwubalili Family, Onwuchuruba Family, Onwuegbusi-Adeleye Family, Onwuemeli Family, Onwughai Family, Onwuha Family, Onwuka Family, Onwukanjo Family.

**1.00pm SOCIAL WELFARE**

**5.30 pm Family/Marriage Counseling Meeting**

**6.30 pm Choir Practice**

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*  
**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 1:13-25 - Lay. O. Onabolu*  
**Gospel:** *Matthew 19:13-22*  
**Hymns:** *CH 5, CH CS 68, CH CS 51*  
**Preacher:** *The Rev. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

### **Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Blessing A. Erifeta, his family and all members of the Diocese of Sapele.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Daniel Olinya, his family and all members of the Diocese of Eha-Amufu.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr. Olafusi Michael, Miss. Adeniyi Folashade, Mrs. Oluwatuyi Abimbola, Mr. Nwokedinobi Alphonso, Mrs. Udoji-Achebe Ifeoma, Mrs. Oluwakemi Salami, Engr. Ufodike Okenwa, Mr. Ofong Laurence, Mr. Ijogun Olusiji, Mr. Dim Samuel, Mrs. Chine Ugochi, Mrs. Adekoya Olajumoke, Mrs. Olankanpo Dansy, Mrs. Fadahunsi Florence and Miss. George Oluwatosin.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Onwukwe Family, Onwurike Family, Onwusika Family, Onwusirike Family, Onwuzuruike Family, Onyeagbagha Family, Onyebuchi-Akobi Family, Onyebuenyi Family, Onyechere Family, Onyedika-Echedom Family.

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

**5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer**

**5.00pm - 6.00pm BIBLE STUDY PREVIEW**

**6.00 pm GATHERING OF THE  
NOBLES - ACTS 17:10-11  
TITUS 2**

12.

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Ante:** *Post Adetujoye*  
**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Canon Benson Odude*  
**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 2:1-10 - Lay. T. Akindolire*  
**Gospel:** *Matt. 19:23-30 - The Rev. Dr. B. Okere*  
**Hymns:** *CH IV, VSH 10, VSH 68, Anima Christi,  
CH 153*

**Preacher:** *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem*

### **Prayer Points:**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Emmanuel Nyitsse, his family and all members of the Diocese of Gboko.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Festus Davies, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ogori-Magongo.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr. Adejuwon Adedamilola, Mr. Agboola Olayanju, Miss. Ivy Enekwa, Mr. Denise Enekwa Okafor, Mr. Okesanya Muiyiwa, Miss. Akinfolarin Olaseji, Mrs. Inekwe Theresa, Mrs. Amah-Jerry Vivian, Mrs. Jonah-Jack Peggy, Mr. Lasisi Timothy, Mrs. Kehinde Josephine, Mrs. Chikezie Elizabeth, Mr. Ogugua Okechukwu, Mr. Ohuabunwa Chigozirim, Mr. Adelaja Olatunde, Mr. Olaleye Damilola, Mrs. Okpara Gretrude, Mrs. Udo Gladys, Mr. Umukoro Evelyn and Mrs. Olowojoba Bolanle.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Onyedum Family, Onyegbule Family, Onyeharam Family, Onyejebu Family, Onyekwelu Family, Onyema Family, Onyemaizu Family, Onyemaobi Family, Onyemelukwe Family, Onyeneke Family.

**8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation**

**5.00pm Service of Songs for Late  
Mr. Olanrewju G. A. Olundegun**

**6.00pm HOURS OF DIVINE SETTLEMENT –  
1 PETER 5:10**

**THEME: DESTROYING EVIL BEWITCHMENT-  
ACTS 8:9**

**Thursday, November 28, 2019 Colour: Green**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Celebrant:** *The Ven. James Adekanye*  
**Epistle:** *1 Pet. 2:11-25 - Lay. Gloria Okeke*  
**Gospel:** *Matthew 20:1-16*  
**Hymns:** *VSH 75, CH CS 45, CH 577*  
**Preacher:** *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*

### **Prayer Points**

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Fredrick I. Olugbemi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ilaje.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Yusuf .I. Janfalan, his family and all members of the Diocese of the Ikare
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Engr. Adenuoye Victor, Mr. Adepoju Olatunde, Mrs. Eze Rita, Miss Adebisi Olubunmi, Mrs. Ojelabi Flora and Miss Okoro Confidence.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Onyeso Family, Opadiran Family, Opanuga Family, Opara Family, Oparaugo-Asonye Family, Opani Family, opayemi Family, Openiyi Family, Opoola Family, Oporum Family.

**11.00am: Meeting of Men & Women of Grace**

**5.00pm Wake Keep for  
Late Mr. Olanrewaju G. A. Olundegun**

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