

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.

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- B. **For Social Welfare and Charity**
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The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Ayo Akideinde - 07068610707
- E. **For The Evangelical Ministry**
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- S. **For Cathedral Christian Mothers Matters**
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- T. **For Chaplains to Societies**
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- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**
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Our Vision:

"CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS"

Our 2022 Theme:

"DRY BONES SHALL RISE AGAIN" Ezekiel 37:3.

IN GOD'S PRESENCE, THERE IS FULNESS OF JOY AND AT HIS RIGHT HAND, PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE. A GOOD INDICATOR OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS EAGERNESS TO BE IN GOD'S HOUSE FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP. WELCOME TO HIS PRESENCE.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday, 25th Dec. - Saturday, 31st Dec., 2022

CHRISTMAS DAY

Theme: The Word Became Flesh

Colour: WHITE

Dr. Dayo Omogbehin
Cathedral Warden

Mr. Charles Ojo
Cathedral Warden

The Ven. Ebenezer Adewole
Dean of the Cathedral

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

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**Support God's Mission through the Covenant Seed
Be A Diocesan Covenant Seeder**

1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 25th December, 2022

**A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
CHRISTMAS DAY**

Celebrant: The Diocesan
O.T. Reading
The Epistle: Layreader O. Onabolu
The Gospel: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju
Preacher: The Diocesan
Intercessor: The Dean

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 221
- ❖ Worship Songs
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence – **The Dean**
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Isaiah 9:2,6 & 7
- ❖ The Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-12
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: CONH 240
- ❖ The Gospel: John 1:1-14
- ❖ Hymn before Sermon: CONH 233
- ❖ **SERMON**
- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses
- {First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 402, 463, 511, 606
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 810
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **Thanksgiving:**
 - i. Christmas Thanksgiving (birthday gift to Jesus)
 - ii. End of the month thanksgiving
 - iii. 5th & 10th birthday of Chimkamso & Ifechukwu Chukwuka (children of Mr & Mrs Idikaonye Chukwuka) & God’s numerous blessings.
 - iv. Birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Joy Nwoye, Mr Emmanuel Nwoye, Mr Uchenna Nwoye and God’s numerous blessings.
 - v. Dr. Wale Olawoyin SAN thanking God for promotion as Professor of Law in University of Lagos, 55th birthday of Mrs Segilola Olawoyin & God’s numerous blessings.
 - vi. Mrs Betty Uzor thanking God for deliverance from motor accident & God’s numerous blessings.
- ❖ Doxology CONH 491 (pg 11)
- ❖ Episcopal Blessing
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ **Song: Wish you A Merry Christmas.....(pg 4)**
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 206

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. REMAIN BLESSED AND RAPTURABLE.

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

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

The AVMCC House Fellowship Project has finally taken off! Parishioners are encouraged to attend House Fellowship in their nearest Centers. Those whose locations have changed should please contact Mrs. Charity Nnebedum for corrections.

The following are the existing House Fellowship Centres:

AREA	COORDINATOR	MEETING DAYS & TIME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS
Opebi	Bro. I.O. Odeniran	Every Thursday @ 6pm	08023096565	11a Samuel Awoniyi St. Opebi
Magodo	Sis. Funmi Akinbobola	Every Sunday @ 6pm	08033083851	7 Akinola Erinoluwa St. Magodo Phase 2.
Oyemekun/ Adeyeri/ College Rd, Ogba	Bro. Ndubisi Odebeatu	Every Sunday @ 6pm	08037297743	19, Ilerioluwa Crescent off Adeyeri St, College Rd. Ogba
Ajao Estate	Sis. Ebele Okere	Every Sunday @ 6pm	08026609443	29 Fatai Irawo Street, Off Murtala Mohammed Int Airport Rd, Ajao Estate

For enquiries, please call or Whatsapp: 070632214646 or 08033025458.

29. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS

<u>BANK</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>SORT CODE</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
ACCESS	0017948337	044151245	Building Fund 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 IBTC	9200212515	221150027	First Fruits
GTB	0007899440	058152120	Tithes
ECO	0953002198		Building Fund
ZENITH	1011097083	057150314	Covenant Seed
FCMB	9318228020		AVMCC Choir

WEMA 0122245798 035150695 Endowment Fund
For the New Cathedral Development Account details please refer to page 2 of this bulletin.

2022 VICTORY/PROPHETIC SHOUT

THE LEADER: DRY BONES

THE CONGREGATION: SHALL RISE AGAIN 3X

TOGETHER: THAT IS THE VERDICT OF GOD FOR US IN 2022 AND NO POWER CAN STOP IT. AMEN, AMEN AND AMEN.

HARVEST NEWS

A. Harvest Flag Handover- Sunday, 8th January, 2023

23. NOTICE ON CATHEDRAL FINANCE

1. Payment of Church Dues for 2022.
 - (a) **Church Dues:** Kindly note that Church Dues should be paid in the Cathedral Office where receipt will be issued. Direct payment of Church dues into the Cathedral Bank Account is hereby discouraged.
 - (b) All Societies should pay and send in their lists of members on or before December 20, 2022.
 - (c) All individuals should ensure payments are done by December 30, 2022.
2. Payments can now be done using POS Terminals which are available in the Church office.
3. All payments by cheques should henceforth, have the payers name and phone for ease of reference, if the need arises.

24. (SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT)
THE NEW CURRENCY WILL BE INTRODUCED ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2022 TO RUN SIDE BY SIDE WITH THE EXISTING CURRENCY UNTIL 31ST JANUARY, 2023 AFTER WHICH THE CURRENT NOTES CEASE TO BE A LEGAL TENDER.

25. BREAKING NEWS! BREAKING NEWS!! BREAKING NEWS!!!

CATHEDRAL GROUP OF SCHOOLS.

Head Teacher and Teachers are urgently needed. Kindly submit your applications to the Cathedral Office. Thank you.

26. ANNOUNCEMENT

Notices and Thanksgiving must get to Church Office not later than the Thursday. The Dean may not be able to accommodate **NOTICES** not in compliance with the above. Thank you.

27. **Busy Bees Father Christmas Grotto**
Father Christmas will arrive at the **GROTTO** on Sunday, 4th December – 25th December, 2022 with beautiful gifts to our children. **Fee: N1,500**

B. 10.00 am HOLY COMMUNION CHRISTMAS DAY

Celebrant: The Diocesan
O.T. Reading
The Epistle: Layreader F. Okey-Ogbu
The Gospel: The Rev. Samuel Dahunsi
Preacher: The Diocesan
Intercessor: The Dean

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 232
- ❖ Worship Songs
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence – **The Dean**
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Isaiah 9:2,6 & 7
- ❖ The Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-12
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: CONH 219
- ❖ The Gospel: John 1:1-14
- ❖ Hymn before Sermon: CONH 233

SERMON

- ❖ Nicene Creed & Intercession
- ❖ The Peace (*Let there be peace*)
- ❖ All Offerings: Choruses

{First Fruit, Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed, Sunday Offering & All other offerings}

- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: CONH 677, 394, 516, 598
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 835
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer

❖ Thanksgiving:

- i. Christmas Thanksgiving (birthday gift to Jesus)
- ii. End of the month thanksgiving
- iii. AVM Olufemi Faloyin Family Thanksgiving and God's numerous blessings.
- iv. 66th birthday of Mrs Yemi Jaiyeola and God's numerous blessings.
- v. Thanksgiving after the successful wedding of Mr & Mrs Alex Uvwo (children of Tpl Barr & Mrs Makinde Ogunleye) and God's numerous blessings.
- vi. Mr Titus Okelana thanking God for healing, journey mercies and God's numerous blessings.
- vii. 30th remembrance thanksgiving for Late Mr Oyindunla Yusuff and God's numerous blessings on the family he left behind (CONH 877)

- ❖ Doxology CONH 491 (*pg 11*)
- ❖ Episcopal Blessing
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ **Song: Wish you A Merry Christmas.....(pg 4)**
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 228

C. EVENTS AHEAD

1. **Watchnight Service – Saturday 31st December, 2022 at 8.00pm.**
2. **Alpha and Omega Prayer (14days) 26th Dec. – 8th January, 2023 at 6.00am daily.**
3. **New Year Service – Sunday, 1st Jan., 2023.**
4. **Universal Week of Prayer – Monday 2nd – Sat. 7th January, 2023 at 6.00pm daily – (pg 20)**
5. **Final Harvest Thanksgiving & Handover – Sunday, 8th January, 2023.**
6. **Rededication of Royal Gem & Vessel – Sunday, 15th January, 2023 at 3.00pm.**
7. **Rededication of DLW Christian Mothers – Sunday, 22nd January, 2023 at 3.00pm.**

8. Enrolment Service: Mothers Union – March.

E. 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.

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

**F. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2022
EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday Dec. 25, 2022 - Christmas Day
2. Sunday Jan. 1, 2023 - New Year Day
3. Sunday January 8, 2023 - Clergy Family & Evangelical Members
4. Sunday January 15, 2023 - Rededication Royal Gem.
5. Sunday January 22, 2023 –Rededication Christian Mothers

SONG – WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

1. We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
We wish you a merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year

***Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year***

2. Now bring us some figgy pudding
Now bring us some figgy pudding
Now bring us some figgy pudding
And bring some out here

***Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year***

3. For we all like figgy pudding
We all like figgy pudding
We all like figgy pudding
So bring some out here

***Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year***

4. We won't go until we get some
We won't go until we get some
We won't go until we got some
So bring some out here

***Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year***

- ii. An Art Gallery in Ikeja GRA needs the services of the following:

- (i) Office Assistant with strong IT and Social Media skills.
- (ii) Company Driver. Interested persons to call 08087180318.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Suppliers of Laboratory Reagents, Chemicals and materials are urgently needed in AVMCC Clinic. Please Call: 08037757596. Thank you.

C. COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 26th February, 2023. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2022 to tolafamade2012@gmail.com or Cathedral Office.

19. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENTS & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS

This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 26th February, 2023. Kindly send the names of your current Presidents, Secretaries & their phone numbers to the Cathedral Office to enable us update the 2023 Vestry Report. Thank you.

20. ICT LOUNGE:

Kindly patronize the AVMCC ICT LOUNGE at Adetiloye House (Ground Floor), which opens at 9.00am-5.00pm Monday to Friday, for your: Typing, Printing, Photocopy, Scanning, Bulk SMS, Laminating, Tinted Permit, Internet Work, Binding, Scratch Cards (Jamb, WAEC, NECO etc) and Computer Training. *Contact: Call/Whatsapp No: 07063214646.*

22. 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.
Development of our landed properties
Painting of the Church and our halls

Sound System Overhaul (Mixer, Amp etc) N1.8m
400 Plastic Chairs for the Halls

80 Plastic Tables for the Halls
2 Desktop Computer System

2 Hiace Buses

1 Coaster Bus

5 2HP Panasonic AC - N345,000 each

8 1.5HP Panasonic AC - N315,000 each

17. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- i. All women prayer meeting {Cathedral Deanery} Every 1st Thursday of the Month. Venue: The AVMCC Main Sanctuary. Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm.
- ii. Bible Study for Christian Mothers - Every 1st Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iii. Fasting & Prayer for Christian Mothers - Every last Monday of the month at 5.00pm.
- iv. All Sunday School Children from ages 5years upward meeting every last Sunday between 7.00am – 9.00am
- v. **Adult Education Programme:** This course is for young and old every Monday & Wednesday by 3.30pm at the Vining Hall.

18. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

A. OBITUARY

- i. We announce the passing into glory of our Father Mr Emmanuel Adewale Osborne (Father of Mrs Olajumoke Adekoya of Band of Faith and Ladies Christian League) Burial arrangements will be announced later.

B. VACANCIES

- i. (a) Legal Secretary (*Male or Female*) (b) Cleaners are urgently needed in a company at GRA, Ikeja. Qualifications: NCES, OND, SSCE. Minimum of 3 years experience. Apply to: contactus@redwoodprolegal.com or call 08092348888.

2023 UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

Date: Monday, 2nd January, 2023
Venue: First Baptist Church Olowu
Worship Leader: DIMAC
Intercessors: Ven. Olugbenga Aboderin
Preacher: Ven. Ezekiel Oluwadare

Date: Tuesday, 3rd January, 2023
Venue: Bola Memorial Ang. Church, Ikeja
Worship Leader: Methodist Church, Opebi, Ikeja
Intercessors: Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Omoroke, SMMM
Preacher: Deacon Femi Okunade

Date: Wednesday, 4th January, 2023
Venue: Archbishop Vining Mem. Church Cathedral
Worship Leader: First Baptist Church, Olowu, Ikeja
Intercessors: Rev. P.O. Okunlola
Preacher: Ven. Rev. Olatunji

Date: Thursday, 5th January, 2023
Venue: St. Leo's Catholic Church, Toyin, Ikeja
Worship Leader: St. Peter Anglican Church, Alausa
Intercessors: Rev. Uche Ukasoanya
Preacher: Ven. M.A. Abraham-Odumuyiwa

Date: Friday, 6th January, 2023
Venue: Methodist Church, Opebi, Ikeja
Worship Leader: St. Luke the Physician, Ikeja
Intercessors: Ven. F.O. Shofolawe-Bakare
Preacher: Ven. Kolawole Ariire

Date: Saturday, 7th January, 2023
Venue: Anglican Church of Ascension, Opebi,
Worship Leader: Strong Tower Baptist Church, Opebi
Intercessors: Rev. Dr. Dele Ajayi
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Mag. John Aniagwu

Sunday, 8th January – Thanksgiving in every church 20.

2. SENTENCES FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Introductory Sentence:

I bring you good news of great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.
Luke 2:10-11.

COLLECT

All praise to You, Almighty God and Heavenly King, who sent Your Son into the world to take our nature upon Him and to be born of a pure Virgin Mary. Grant that we, who have been born again and made Your children by adoption and grace may continually dwell in Him and reign on earth as He reigns in Heaven with You, and Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Sentence:

The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
John 1:14.

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.**

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, 25TH DECEMBER, 2022

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

- i. Pray for Henry Ndokuba our Primate, and Olusola our Bishop, that many more parishioners under their Episcopal jurisdiction shall turn to the Lord as the sole solution to their challenges.
- ii. For the Rt. Rev. Foreman Nedison, his family and all members of the Diocese of Jalingo.

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 Islamization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of TURKEY nor NORTH AFRICA in Jesus Name. Amen.*
- ii. That for peace many will know the Prince of Peace
- iii. For grace to seek the Lord as a Nation.
- iv. That many more in the world will come to the knowledge of the Saviour Jesus Christ

C. Prayers for AVMCC Members

- i. For grace not to seek the Lord in vain.
- ii. For the glory of the latter to surpass the former.
- iii. For every Herod of our destiny to be disgraced.

D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Duruaku Family, Duruem Family, Ebilah Family, Ebiliekwe Family, Ebofin Family, Eboh Family, Ebonugwu Family, Echedom Family, Echendu Family, Echeozo Family.

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

- i. For Mr Simon Agazie, Mr Moses Adewale, Mr Ajoku Azubike, Mrs Christy Amuzie, Mrs Christiana Okonkwo, Mrs Christable Eze, Mr Anderson Bankole, Evang, Eze Ebonugwu, , Miss Emmanuela Buolu, Mr Chuma Chinwuba, Mr Emmanuel Duru, Mr Anthony Uwa, Mr Kingsley Duruaku, Mr Olumide Idowu, Miss Belinda Itua, Engr. Ofoegbu Ezinwa, Mr Chukwuemeka Duru, Mr Abiodun Kabala, Chief Austin Nnebe, Miss Caroline Samuel, Mr Christian Nwankwo, Mr David Nwobi, Mrs Roseline Obuh, Mr Abiodun dada, Miss Christian Okogbue, Mrs Segilola Olawoyin, Mrs Odunsanmi Salami, Mrs Christiana Zang who are celebrating their birthdays today.
- ii. For those having their Wedding Anniversaries or any other positive Anniversaries today.

F. Prayers for the following people: Engr. & Mrs. Odedairo, Mrs. Beatrice Akinola, Mrs M.O. Ilori, Mrs Lydia Metu, Mrs M.M. Aruofor, Mrs Roseline Anyadikwa, 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.

16. BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

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

1. Dec. 25th Sunday - Hosea 1-4
2. Dec. 26th Monday - Hosea 5-7
3. Dec. 27th Tuesday - Hosea 8-10
4. Dec. 28th Wednesday - Hosea 11-14
5. Dec 29th Thursday - Joel 1-3
6. Dec. 30th Friday - Amos 1-3
7. Dec. 31st Saturday - Amos 4-6

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.

14. DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST

AVMCC DELIVERANCE & HEALING UNIT (DHU) PROGRAMMES

- i. Every 3rd Friday of each month – Church Deliverance and Healing Service - (6.00pm -8.00pm)
- ii. Every Thursday is Prayers, Deliverance and Counselling day for members – 6.00pm – 8.00pm
- iii. Every Tuesday & Wednesday evening, Counselling and Prayers.
- iv. Every Sunday after 10.00am – Prayers, Deliverance and Counseling.
- v. 4th Friday of every month with 5 – Fridays DHU Vigil.

For Prayers, Deliverance and Counselling please call/text: 0806-2766051, 0802-3149601, 08033-003906

15. A WRITER NEEDED FOR IMMEDIATE ENGAGEMENT

The Church is in need of someone who can transcribe the sermon preached every Sunday into articles of booklets. Appointment is first come first serve.

16. GUILD OF STEWARDS

The Guild of Stewards requested for vibrant and dedicated new members to join the ministry. Interested persons to contact: **Mr Okechukwu Okeke on 08033438490.**

MINISTERING TO THE TEENAGE GROUP IN AVMCC WHO AM I?

My choices, life, my end
God’s view of me and the world’s view in
Who am I In Christ?
It is ‘woke’ to be a Christian: the godly teenager
(To be handled by Sis Awokoya and Sis. Kupoluyi)

RELATIONSHIPS

Parents, Siblings, friends, peers, mentors- interactive skills
Peers- groups (cults, drugs, alcohol); handling the pressures
To be handled by Sis (Ronke and Bro. Efe)

SEXUALITY

My Person (body soul and spirit). Freedom, Self-Esteem
What God planned and desires- responsibility, kingdom culture
Teenage body challenges- health, wealth, strength
Managing and dealing with challenges; no compromise.
(Sis Cynthia and Sis Awokoya.)

LIFE’S BASICS & ETIQUETTE

Greetings, table manners
Punctuality, integrity, humility
Work attitude, financial prudence (the ant)
(Mummy Kupoluyi and Sis. Ronke)

TALENTS GIFTS AND CAREER

Identifying your natural and spiritual gifts
Setting life goals and objectives: choosing career & making a difference
Developing talents through skills and vocation
Personal effectiveness and time management
(Sis Ebele and bro Dapo)

**4. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY, 25TH DECEMBER, 2022**

THEME: THE WORD BECAME FLESH

**READINGS: PSALM 98:1-6; ISAIAH 9:2, 6, 7;
HEBREWS 1:1-12; John 1:1-14**

Today is Christmas Day, and so we greet you – Merry Christmas. Amen. And the collect for today reads:
All praise to You, Almighty God and Heavenly King, who sent Your Son into the world to take our nature upon Him and to be born of a pure Virgin Mary. Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace may continually dwell in Him and reign on earth as He reigns in Heaven with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Our thought for this week revolves round the theme - The Word Became Flesh, which in one word is called Incarnation; and the above collect for today summarizes the reason for the season and all that is encapsulated in the theme of our meditation.

A good starting point is to observe that the Christian faith rests on two key beliefs, namely INCARNATION and RESURRECTION.

Incarnation is about God, the supreme, almighty, transcendental God, the creator of heaven and earth becoming incarnate or embodied in human flesh (John 1:14). This embodiment of God in human form is in Jesus Christ who John in his gospel presents as the Word that was in the beginning with God. This Word (Jesus) existed eternally with God as one God. This explains why Jesus is rightly presented in John’s gospel as the Creator without whom nothing was made that was made (John 1:3).

The story of the virgin birth is thus not about Mary and the virgin birth of Jesus, but about the incarnation of God in Jesus. In the incarnation, we see the merger of the divine and the human. Christology upholds and teaches that Jesus is fully human and fully divine.

The incarnation distinguishes Christianity from such world religions as Judaism, Islam and others which believe, just like Christianity, that God is infinite, eternal and transcendental. Only Christianity believes that God also became incarnate in a human being, namely Jesus of Nazareth. The resurrection, as it were, is one event that confirms not only the incarnation, but everything that Jesus said and did during His life on earth, the most important being His saving death on the cross. One can now understand why Judaism and Islam will stop at nothing to deny Christ’s resurrection and posit the impossibility of incarnation, despite knowing that Isaiah the prophet had foretold it centuries before it happened (Isa.9:6-7). Thank God anyway that Christ’s birth is such a fact of history that cannot be denied.

Importance of incarnation:

Jesus is the living and visible expression of the unseen God. Because He expresses all that God had ever sought to communicate about Himself, man sees God in Him and through Him. For once, man sees God as not too distant and far to be touched or felt. The prophecy of Jesus' birth says he shall be called Immanuel, which is translated "God with us" (Isa.7:14; Matt.1:23). In this prophecy lies an essence of incarnation – God came down to man.

Another significance of incarnation is the need for an unfailing once-for-all solution to man's problem of sin. The Bible says in Heb.9:22 that without shedding of blood there is no remission. Jesus came to pay the supreme price and make a final sacrifice for the sin of man as attested in Heb.9:15 - He (Jesus) is Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant (which failed to deliver salvation), that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. (Parenthesis mine). The blood of Jesus that was shed on the Cross bought our redemption from sin, and that is why the Cross till date remains the universal symbol of Christianity. This would not have been possible without incarnation.

Jesus came from heaven to earth to show and teach us the way of love. The Bible says, In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him...11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (1 John 4:9,11)

The Word became flesh that grace might be made manifest to all. It was in Jesus that the grace of salvation from sin became an inheritance of as many as believe in Him, irrespective of whether they are Jews or gentile. The birth, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ were so pronounced that it became impossible for salvation by grace to be a subject in obscurity. Titus 2:11 says "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men...".

C. Cathedral Youth Chapel

Regular Weekly Programmes

- i. Strictly Feminine - Every 3rd Saturday of the month.
- ii. Just 4 Guys – Every 3rd Saturday of the month at 3.00p.m
- iii. Youth Fellowship every Saturday by 3.00pm.

Sunday:7.00am. & 10.00am. Services

Venue: Youth Chapel (2nd Floor, Adetiloye House)

Strictly Feminine – Co-ord –Sola Aladesawe - 08135431392.

Just 4 Guys Co-ord. – Okechukwu Ofoegbu - 08064463886

D. Elderly Ministry

All Senior Citizens are welcome every first Tuesday of the month from 11.00 am to 1.00pm.

- i. Medical Check-up in the Clinic; Spiritual Talks; Games /Exercises and Handicrafts in the Vining Hall.
- ii. Please send names of sick and shut-in Elders to the Coordinator Elderly Ministry or the Cathedral office for visitation.
- iii. **2023 Bible Quiz Book – EZEKIEL**

E. Evangelical Ministry

i. Monthly Meeting

- (a) 1st & 3rd Monday of the Month at 1st Floor, Vining House by 6.00pm.
- (b) 2nd Saturday has been shifted to 3rd 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.

F. Prisons & Hospital Ministry

(a) Hospital Visitation every 3rd and last Sundays of the month. (b) Prison visitation every 2nd Thursday of the month (c) Meeting comes up every 2nd 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

1. Are you a widower or a widow?
2. Are you aware of the existence of above fellowship for widowers and widows?
3. If yes to no. 1, Are you a registered member of the fellowship?
4. Kindly pick and complete a registration form to register or update your data.

Identify with one and other via care, love and support by fellowshiping of God's grace every last Thursday of the month at 11. 000am.

For the fellowship's objectives, registration form and other information, visit the church office or call 08023125243.

D. AVMCC Guest House

Stay within a Christian environment, also visit the restaurant for tasty and affordable meals all located at the 3rd Floor of Vining house within the Church complex. Laundry services are also available. Contact us on 09158070000 and 09158060000.

E. Admission to Anglican Girl's College, Ketu-Ijanikin

The form for the school is out at the rate of N5,000.00. Payment should be made into Wema Bank Account No.0120980406. Account Name: Anglican Girl's College, Ketu-Ijanikin. Forms can be obtained from the Cathedral Office, please fill and submit to the school.

F. Lagos Anglican Dioceses Bible College, Lagos

Admission is on going into LABICO for year 2022 Advanced Diploma and Certificate Courses at LABICO Headquarters, 17 Broad Street, Lagos. For details call: 08033083851.

G. Admission to Igbobi College, Yaba,

The forms for the above schools are out at the rate of **₦10,000**. Payment should be made into **Union Bank Acct NO 0004513499**. Account Name: Igbobi College. Kindly collect the form at the Igbobi College, Admission office, Yaba or download form from the college website www.igbobicollegeyaba.com.

H. Admission to Lagos Anglican Schools

- Anglican Comp. High School, College Road, Ipaja,
- Anglican Girls Grammar School, Surulere,
- CMS Grammar School, Bariga
- Bishop Howells Memorial Grammar School, Bariga
- Lagos Anglican Nursery & Primary School, Bariga.

The forms for the above schools are out at the rate of **₦12,000**. Payment should be made into **Union Bank Acct NO 0002516850**. Account Name: Lagos Anglican Schools Management Board and Collect the form at the Cathedral Office and submit to the school of your choice.

13. MINISTRIES & FELLOWSHIPS

A. Children's Ministry

Parents are requested to send their children to the Sunday School with Bibles, Note Books & Biro. Please instruct your children to remain in the Sunday School and not wander about looking for things to buy. Children are better and safer in the Sunday School.

It was in incarnation that Jesus in his full humanity died, was buried, and rose from the dead in exercise of his power over death, thus giving the sure hope of resurrection of true believers in him to eternal life. This is a living hope that keeps and sustains our faith.

Incarnation bridges the gap between God and man. Isaiah prophesied that the Saviour to be born would be called Emmanuel, meaning "God with us". So, Jesus (God in human form) made it possible for man to feel God and His love intimately. Little wonder the writer of Hebrews says "For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin". Heb.4:15

Incarnation presented humanity with the opportunity of seeing the failure and futility of satanic deception and antics when the grave could not hold its prey and Christ arose from the grave, putting Satan, his cohorts and death to shame. John declared in his first Epistle – "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." (1 John 3:8b). And Jesus actually did destroy the works of the devil.

Just as observed earlier in this discourse, Incarnation is one of the two key principles on which the Christian faith rests. So, it will not be possible to exhaust the discussion of it in the few words allowed by space herein. One thing we need to do, however, is to use the above significant points of Jesus' incarnation as a magnifier to behold the primal value of God leaving His throne to dwell physically with men, so that we may behold and appreciate Him as MIGHTY REALITY that He is. This perception will obviously influence, more positively than ever, our closeness and reverence for Him in our walk and worship.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





5. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

December 18 – December 24

7.00 am Holy Communion	902
7.00 am Youth Service	123
7.00 am Sunday School	-
10.00 am Mattins	503
10.00 am Youth Service	106
10.00 am Sunday School	-
Tuesday Bible Study	-
Wednesday Holy Communion	127
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	45

6. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

The following Societies will meet immediately in the Church

-  *Band of Faith*
-  *Ladies Christian League*
-  *Christian Friends Society*
-  *Lord Labourers Fellowship*

7. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 25th Dec. 2022

7.00a.m-10.00a.m: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm.
Chie Nwerri, Dr. Olivier Akinola, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Dr. Remi Oladapo-Sanu, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Sis. Boladuro Ajibola.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 1st Jan., 2023

7.00a.m-10.00a.m: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm.
Dele Ajala, Dr. Olivier Akinola, Mrs Amah-Jerry,
Mrs Gina Okolo.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Irene Okwerekwu, Pharm. Y. Olorunsola, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Mrs Olufunke Olatunji.

B. Security & Traffic Control

i. Sunday 25th Dec. - Saturday, 31st Dec. 2022

Funso Fagbuyiro, (**Captain**), Helen Arhagba (**Assistant Captain**), Adeyemi Muyiwa, Goke Uthman, Juliet Chimezie, Helen Arhagba, Caroline Omowhara, Kene Obimma, Chukwuemeka Osaka, Bolaji Dania, Funmi Ladele, Ekwegh Lilian, Michael Enujioké, Olusegun Esan, Jemerigbe Helen I, Odibo Fanny Efe, Odanye Mojisola.

ii. Sunday 1st Jan. - Saturday, 7th Jan. 2023

Bolaji Dania (**Captain**), Ogunleye Adeboboye, (**Assistant Captain**), Ayo Tetede, Dare Sigbeku, Juliet Chimezie, Omotola Onakoya, Akinniran O. Temidayo, Rita Osibodu, Olusegun Esan, Michael Enujioké, Segun Openiyi, Nwaorgu Chinedu, Okedurum Andrew, Gbenga Ojo.

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9. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Christmas II

January 1

Theme: Following God's Leading

Colour: White

6.00am Hour of Blessings

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

NEW YEAR DAY

Celebrant: *The Diocesan*

Epistle: *Romans 4:8-14*

The Rev. Dr. S. Opaaje

Gospel: *Luke 2:21-24*

The Rev. Canon Dr. B. Okere

Address: *The Diocesan*

10.00am: HOLY COMMUNION

NEW YEAR DAY

Celebrant: *The Diocesan*

Epistle: *Romans 4:8-14*

Barr. Bambo Adesanya SAN

Gospel: *Luke 2:21-24*

The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

Address: *The Diocesan*

10. BLESSING OF MARRIAGE:

11. BANNS 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.

NO WEDDING

12. 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 - 8.00am to 5.00pm

Closed on Saturday & Sunday.

We request everyone to make use of this opportunity.

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.

15.

Friday, December 30, 2022 **Colour: Purple**

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **He is at the door**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*

Epistle: **The portion appointed for the Epistle:**
Revelation 1:9-20 - Lay. U. Ejikeme

Gospel: *Mark 13:28-31*

Hymns: *CONH 1239, CONH 763, CONH 877*

Preacher: *The Rev. Samuel Dahunsi*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Temple Nwaogu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Isiala Ngwa.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Yohannah Ahmed Audu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Damaturu.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Abonyi Madueke, Miss Odunola Atolagbe, Mrs Nkechi Isong, Mr Stanley Ekwunife, Mr Chimezie Unogu Mr Chibuzo Okoli, Mrs Toyin Akinrolabu, Mr Ikenna Okebata, Mr Bayo Opadiran, Mrs Olufela Shodeke, Mrs Enitan Oduniyi, Mr Tochi Madubuike.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Eke Family, Ekeanyanwu Family, Ekechi Family, Ekegbogu Family, Ekekezie Family, Ekele Family, Ekelozie Family, Ekenobi Family, Ekhomu Family, Eko Family.

Saturday, December 31, 2022 **Colour: Purple**

New Year Eve

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **Be awake and Keep Watch**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Ayodeji Oluwatusin*

Epistle: *II Cor. 5:16-6:2 - Lay. O. Onabolu*

Gospel: *Mark 13:32-37*

Hymns: *CONH 961, CONH 602, CONH 22*

Preacher: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Godwin Adeyi Robinson, his family and all members of the Diocese of Lafia.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Adepoju Ajileye, his family and his ministry.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: The Rev. Dr. Ogo-Oluwa Adeyemi, Mrs Beatrice Ikwemesi, Mrs Benedicta Amadi, Mrs Evelyn Anyadiegwu, Mr Bright Ucheka, Mrs Caroline Sodeinde, Mr Ebuka Okechukwu, Ms Catherine Ejike, Miss Anayo Hale, Miss Olamide Ola-Isola, Mr Placidus Ogueliwu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ekine Family, Ekunwe Family, Ekwejunor Family, Ekwem Family, Ekwueme Family, Ekwugh Family, Ekwunife Family, Ekwuribe Family, Elegbe Family, Elekeokwuri Family.

8.00pm **PRAISES & WORSHIP SONGS**

9.00pm **ANOINTING SERVICE**

10.00pm **WATCHNIGHT SERVICE**

12.00AM **COMMUNION SERVICE**

QUOTABLE QUOTES

1. When you get to the top, you become a TOPIC-
Bishop Odedeji
2. If we are not our brother's keeper, we will be our brother's killer - **Bishop Odedeji**
3. If God is backing you, No one can put your back on the ground - **Bishop Odedeji**
4. Marriage is not for Great lovers but Great forgivers –
Bishop Odedeji
5. If God is in control, nothing can go out of control—
Bishop Odedeji
6. God can do without you, but it is you that cannot do without God- **Bishop Odedeji**
7. When you are ***WRONG***, you cannot be ***STRONG*** - **Bishop Agara**
8. If you don't know ***STRATEGY***, you will end up in ***TRAGEDY*** - **Bishop Agara**
9. When there is no ***contact***, there can never be ***contract*** -- **Ven Adewole Ebenezer**
10. If you cannot say ***NO***, you cannot be ***Known*** -
Bishop Odedeji
11. Bad ***Character*** is like a flat tyre, if you don't change it, you can't go far - **Bishop Odedeji**
12. When you stop Praying, you start ***Decaying*** -
Bishop Odedeji
13. God does the best for those, who leave the ***Choice*** to Him - **Bishop Odedeji.**
14. Untill you know whom your sender is, your service is ***Worthless*** - **Bishop Odedeji**
15. When God uses a man He rewards him with ***eternal blessings*** but when the devil uses a man, he dumps him in ***ocean of Regrets*** - **Bishop Odedeji**
16. People do only what you will ***INSPECT*** and not what you ***EXPECT*** - **Bishop Odedeji**
17. When a man loses money, nothing is lost but when he loses ***INTEGRITY*** everything is lost. –
Bishop Odedeji
18. If you are too big to ***follow***, you will be too small to ***lead*** - **Bishop Odedeji**
19. The room for ***IMPROVEMENT*** is the largest room in the world. - **Bishop Odedeji**

HYMN FOR DOXOLOGY - (CONH 491)

1. Let Your blessings, Lord, attend us,
As we go out of this place,
And abiding in Your presence
Basking in Your joy and grace.
2. Let us in Your sight find favour
In all on which our hands lay
Make Your face Lord shine upon us
As You lead us on our way.
3. May Your heavenly peace surround us
Turn our darkness into light,
Give us strength, now and forever
So, to live within Your might.
4. God, our compassionate Father,
Look upon us with mercy
Let Your Name receive our praises
Now and for eternity. Amen.

8. AC TIVITY FOR THE WEEK
Monday, December 26, 2022 **Colour: Red**

St. Stephen's Day

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **Unmoved**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Samuel Dahunsi*

Epistle: *Acts 7:54-60 - Lay. Y. Agbaniyaka*

Gospel: *Matthew 23:34-39*

Hymns: *CONH 1016, CONH 969, CONH 1242*

Preacher: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

Collect: Heavenly Father, you gave Your martyr Saint Stephen grace to pray for those who stoned him; grant that when we suffer for the truth we may follow his example of forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Olubunmi A. Akinlade, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ife.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: The Ven. Taiwo Olupitan, Chief (Mrs) Grace Odukomaia, Engr. Nnamdi Agbakwu, Mr Emmanuel Agbara, Otunba Abimbola Ashiru, Lady Christiana Asiegbu, Mr Ifeanyi Ezeonyebuchi, Evang. Emilia Nmezi, Mr Emmanuel Nwoye, Mr Akinola Famodimu, Mrs Titilayo Abraham-Odumuyiwa, Mrs Titilayo Olowoniyi, Mrs Roseline Okafor, Miss Odunayo Okelana, Mr Julius Olowoniyi, Miss Abiodun Onadeko, Mr Emmanuel Onukwube.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Echeta Family, Edeh Family, Edem Family, Edema Family, Ediwe Family, Edokwe Family, Edozie-Nnakee Family.

10.00am **Wedding**

Mr Chibuike Uzoagba & Princess Tosin Ogunrayewa

Tuesday, December 27, 2022 **Colour: White**

St. John's Day

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **The Life of Christ**

Celebrant: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu*

Epistle: *1 John 1:1-9 - Lay. F. Okey-Ogbu*

Gospel: *John 21:19-24*

Hymns: *CONH 1237, CONH 606, CONH 455*

Preacher: *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem*

Collect: Merciful Father, whose Son is the light of the world, so guide Your Church by the teaching of Your Apostle and Evangelist Saint John, that we may walk by the light that has come among us and finally know Him as light of everlasting life, who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Capt. Kolawole Abejide, Mr Moses Adekoya, Mrs Oluwaseyi Akinronbi, Mr Chukwudi Anyakora, Mr Gideon Emeforo, Mr John Ibidokun, Mr Obed Nwaorgu, Mrs Titilayo Opadiran, Mrs Chidinma Iwuchukwu, Mrs Ugochi Chinakwe, Mrs Lydia Orakwe, Master Ayomikun Olowosile, Mrs Christy Obiakor.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Edun Family, Edwards Family, Eferakeya Family, Effah Family, Efobi Family, Egbedeyi Family, Egberongbe Family.

11.00am **70th birthday of Mrs Modupe Hughes**

6.00 pm **BIBLE STUDY**

Note: For our Weekly Tuesday Bible Study, we resume on Tuesday, 17th January, 2023.

Wednesday, December 28, 2022 **Colour: Red**

The Holy Innocents' Day

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **Suffering According to the Will of God**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Dr. Samuel Opaaje*

Epistle: *1 Peter 4:12-16 - Lay. M. Oshikoya*

Gospel: *Matthew 2:13-19*

Hymns: *CONH 1021, CONH 550, CONH 616, CONH 852*

Preacher: *The Dean*

Collect: Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hand of Herod, though they had done no wrong; grant us neither to act cruelly nor to stand indifferently by, but to defend the weak from the tyranny of the strong; in the name of Jesus Christ who suffered for us, but is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer Point

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Israel Okoye, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ihiala.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Goddy Akujor, Mr Emeka Elo-Chukwuma, Mr Daniel Alabuike, Sir Emeka Asiegbu, Mr Kingsley Asinobi, Mr Wale Awe, Miss Mojinyinola Olabode, Mrs Uchenna Ndulue, Mrs Lovina Emeforo Mrs Iyamide Gafar, Mr Oyeniyi Sodipo, Mrs Precious Itua, Mr Tayo Ayeni, Mrs Omobonike Museo, Miss Taiwo Oladunni, Mrs Itohan Uduehi, Mrs Godiya Sanni.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Egbo Family, Egbononu Family, Egbuchu Family, Egbudiwe Family, Egbunonu Family, Egholenwa Family, Egesi Family, Egbu John Family, Egunsola Family, Egwin Family.

8.00am **Vining Intercessor's Visitation**

6.00pm **PRAYER MEETING**

THEME: **REJOICE IN THE LORD**
(PHIL. 4:4)

Thursday, December 29, 2022 **Colour: Purple**

6.00am **Alpha Prayer**

7.00am **Holy Communion**

Theme: **He's Coming for you**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Canon Dr. B. Okere*

Epistle: **The portion appointed for the Epistle:**
Revelation 1:1-8 - Lay. A. Sanya

Gospel: *Mark 13:24-27*

Hymns: *CONH 756 (I), CONH 556, CONH 1241*

Preacher: *The Ven. Gbenga Oniye*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. B.C. Akinpelu Johnson, his family and his all members of the Diocese of Lagos Mainland.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Abel Ajibodu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ile-Oluji.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Adeyemi Adejuwon, Mr Christian Ajulu, Miss Amaka Akuihe, Miss Gloria Ineh, Miss Omosewe Jide-Fadiya, Mr Daniel Nwaokeneme, Mr Chidera Obi, Mr Natalie Shodeke, Mr Nnabuike Odukwe, Mr Ugochukwu Okaro.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Egwuatu Family, Ehiedu Family, Ehira Family, Ehizonomen Family, Ehu Family, Ejobionu Family, Ejike Family, Ejike-Kanu Family, Ejikeme Family, Ejiogu Family.