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**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.

1. **For Booking of all Services of the Church**

*The Dean; The Canon Residentiary*

1. **For Social Welfare and Charity**

*The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Grace Odukomaiya 08033247831*

C. **For Cathedral Societies**

*The Dean; The Society Chaplains; Presidents & Secretaries of Societies*

D. **For The Elderly Ministry**

The Dean; *Chief (Mrs.) Ayo Akideinde - 07068610707*

E. **For The Evangelical Ministry**

*The Dean; The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju; Mr. Cyril Mgbamoka 07053334081*

F. **For Cathedral Missionary Society**

*The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere; Mr Tunji Odeneye*

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*The Dean, The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye; Sister ‘Seun Oyediran - 07051083385; Mr Ayo Tetede - 08020691247*

J. **For The Medical Board**

*The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere; Prof. (Mrs.) Ronke Akinsete*

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K. **For The Counselling Ministry**

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L. **For the Prisons & Hospital Ministry**

*The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere; Mr Kingsley Uba*

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*0803-3163337; Dr (Mrs) Oyin Ilo - 09085019413*

N. **For The Home Fellowship**

*The Dean; The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere, Sir. Godson I. Chijindu*

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*The Dean; Rev. Michael Obembe; Mr. Steve Aladesawe - 08033261047*

P. **For Intercessory Ministry**

*The Dean; Engr. Tope Adejuyigbe- 08037227105*

Q. **For Sports Ministry**

*The Dean; The Canon Residentiary, Mr Desmond Odiase- 08033066901*

*Mr Steve Ahua - 07038816041*

R. **For Board of Directors for Economic Empowerment**

*The Dean****;*** *Dr. Oladimeji Alo;*

S. **For Cathedral Christian Mothers Matters**

Mrs Mercy Adewole, 08062910315*; Mrs. Folake Owolabi - 08023156546*

T. **For Chaplains to Societies**

*The Dean; The Canon Residentiary*

U. **For The Choir**

*The Dean;*

V. **For Booking of the Hall**

***The Dean,***  *Mrs. Tola Famade - 0803-3109378,*

W. **For Booking of the Guest House**

*Mr. Kehinde Akinola - 08023050022; Tobi Balogun - 08033716752*

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The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem 0803-3081617

The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Chijioke Okere 0802-3270247

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The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju 0802-4060758

The Rev. Michael Obembe 0813-8137140

The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye 0803-5552146

The Rev. Oluwatomide Oso 0816-6588257

The Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle 0708-7180407

# **DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST**

(Anglican Communion)



ARCHBISHOP VINING MEMORIAL

CHURCH CATHEDRAL

**Oba Akinjobi Way, GRA, Ikeja**

**Founded – March, 1964**

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**Vol. 20/03/11/2024**

## Our Vision:

## “CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS”

## Our 2024 Theme:

## “ FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH ” I Tim. 6:12

**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, 17th Mar. - Saturday, 23rd Mar., 2024**

**LENT V**

**Theme: Salvation comes through Faith in**

**Christ**

**Colour: PURPLE**

**Dr. Dayo Omogbehin Mr Olawale Fasuyi**

***Cathedral Warden Cathedral Warden***

**The Ven. Ebenezer Adewole**

***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***

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**1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 17th Mar. 2024**

**A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

**Celebrant: The Dean**

**The Epistle*:* Lay. Pauline Oghenekaro**

**The Gospel: Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle**

**Preacher: The Ven. Chudi Ibegbu**

**Intercessor: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju**

* Processional Hymn: CONH 812
* Preparation to Penitence**– Ven. Benjamin Okere**
* The Epistle Hebrews 9:11-14
* Gradual Hymn: In Christ Alone……… **(pg 9)**
* The Gospel: John 12:20-32
* **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 776, 291, 811, 824
* The Ablution:  CONH 403
* Post Communion Prayer
* **Thanksgiving:**

i. 1st year memorial thanksgiving of Late Mrs Comfort Adetunji & God’s numerous blessings on the family she left behind.

* Doxology CONH 491 ….***(page 9)***
* Benediction
* Notices
* Diocesan Anthem
* Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 435

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| **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.** |

AVMCC DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT

Account Name: AVMCC Development Fund

Account Number: 1021733207 Sort Code: 033154512

Branch Address, UBA Plc, 51A Adeniyi Jones Str. Ikeja.

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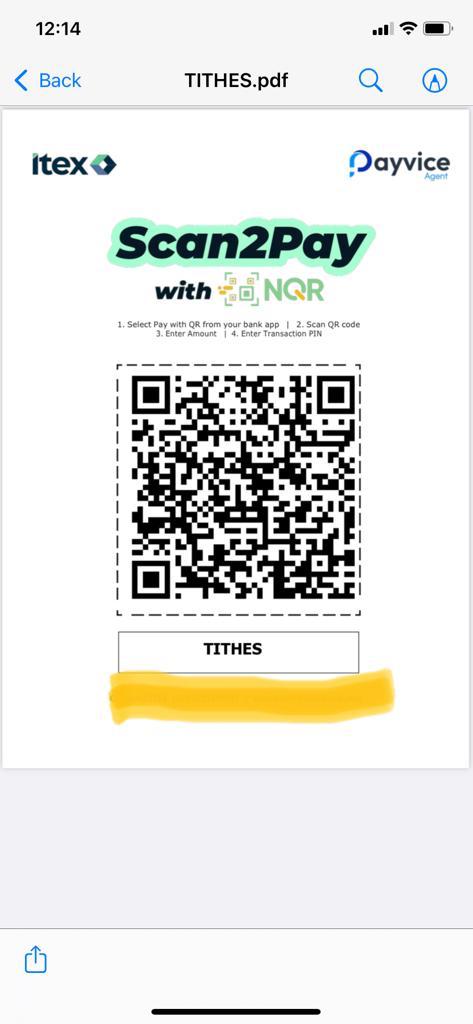
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**29. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS**

**BANK ACCOUNT** **SORT** **PURPOSE**

**NUMBER** **CODE**

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**FIRST** **2025018178 011151841 Harvest**

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**Family harvest, Youth Harvest etc.)**

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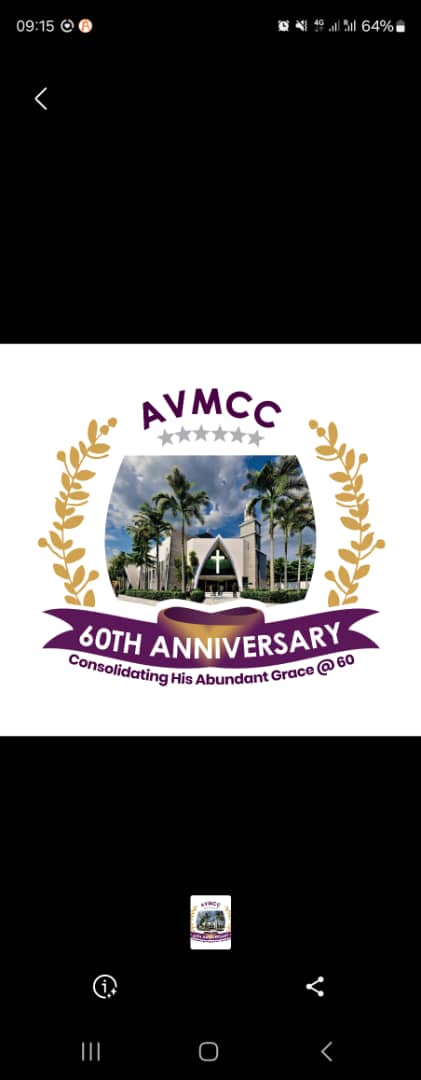
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**WEMA**  **0122245798** **035150695 Endowment Fund**

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

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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# **27.** **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

# Kindly join the class every Saturday at Tent Church @ 5.00pm. Kindly register with Rev. Adefope Adetujoye. Thank you.

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**AVMCC DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING CLASS:** Has started. Parishioners can till join on Saturday, at 1st Floor, Vining House. Everyone who wants to live for and serve the Lord Jesus Christ. It is commanded and Jesus spoke ‘Go therefore and make Disciples of all Nations.

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**28. DIOCESE OF LAGOS WEST – JESUS FESTIVAL**

The Directorate of Evangelism presents Jesus Festival which comes up on Saturday, 30th March, 2024 at Diocesan Open Field by 8.00am.

**Theme: *Fight the good fight of faith – I Timothy 6:12.***

Activities: (i) Match past by all Archdeaconries

(ii) Match past by Boys’ & Girls’ Brigade

(iii) Praise & Worship

(iv) Bible Ministration & Prayers.

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**B. 10.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**

**DEDICATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS**

**Celebrant: The Dean**

**The Epistle*:* Lay. Grace Odukomaiya**

**The Gospel: Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle**

**Preacher: The Ven. B.A. Adegoroye**

**Intercessor: Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere**

* Processional Hymn: CONH 813
* Preparation to Penitence**– Rev. Adefope Adetujoye**
* The Epistle Hebrews 9:11-14
* Gradual Hymn: CONH 428
* The Gospel: John 12:20-32
* **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 607, 828, 777, 758
* The Ablution:  CONH 403
* Post Communion Prayer
* **Swearing-In of the Standing Committee, Verger, Auditors &Wardens (CONH 603)**
* **Thanksgiving:**

i. 60th birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Ehi

Ogbewele & God’s numerous blessings.

ii. The Churching of Mrs Nkechi Ogbonna for the gift of a baby boy and God’s numerous blessings.

* Doxology CONH 491 ….***.(page 9)***
* Benediction
* Notices
* Diocesan Anthem
* Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 138

**C. 2.00PM COLLATION OF**

**MOTHER’S UNION**

**D. EVENTS AHEAD**

**1. Standing Committee Meeting – Monday, 18th March, 2024 at Youth Chapel at 3.00pm.**

**2. 40 DAYS LENTEN REVIVAL @ 6.00am Daily 14th February – 30th March, 2024.**

**3. PALM SUNDAY - Sunday, 24th March, 2024.**

**4. MAUNDY THURSDAY- Thursday, 28th March, 2024.**

**5. GOOD FRIDAY – Friday, 29th March, 2024.**

**6. JESUS FESTIVAL – Saturday, 30th March, 2024 @ 9.00am at Diocesan open field.**

**7. EASTER SUNDAY - Sunday, 31st March, 2024.**

**8. EASTER CANTATA - Sunday, 31st March, 2024 sponsored by Fountain of Hope Society @ 4.00pm**

**9. Rogation Sunday – Sunday, 5th May, 2024**

**10. Pentecost Sunday – Sunday, 26th May, 2024**

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**\*Join Us in Making a Difference!\***

We are thrilled to announce an open invitation to join the **Traffic Control Unit of AVMCC.**

We believe that together, we can make a lasting impact in ensuring that parishioners arrive and leave the church premises with ease for every service.

As we embark on this journey, we invite individuals who share our commitment to join us as active participants. Whether you are interested in volunteering, providing expertise, or becoming a dedicated member, there are various ways you can contribute to our cause.

To join us, contact 08023153042 or 08163078569. If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to reach out to any member of the traffic control unit.

Let's come together and create positive change! Your involvement matters, and we look forward to welcoming you.  Thank you for your support.

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**D. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2024**

**EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday Mar. 17, 2024 - Band of Light

2. Sunday Mar. 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday

3. Sunday Mar. 31, 2024 – Easter Sunday/FOH

4. Sunday April 7, 2024 - Band of Mercy

5. Sunday April 14, 2024 - Band of Glory

6. Sunday April 21, 2024 – Band of Peace

7. Sunday April 28, 2024 - Busy Bees

8. Sunday May 5, 2024 - Rogation Sunday

9. Sunday May 12, 2024 - Christian Unity Band

**F. 7.00am & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE**

**Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe**

**Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe**

**Theme: Salvation comes through Faith in Christ**

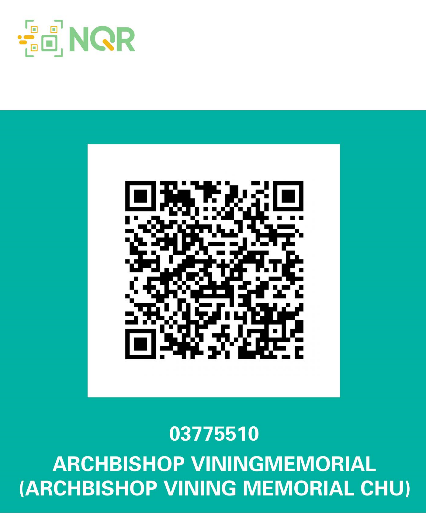
* Opening Hymn: CONH 813
* The Preparation to Penitence
* The Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14
* The Gospel: John 12:20-32
* Sermon
* Nicene Creed to Intercession
* The Peace
* Offertory: Praises

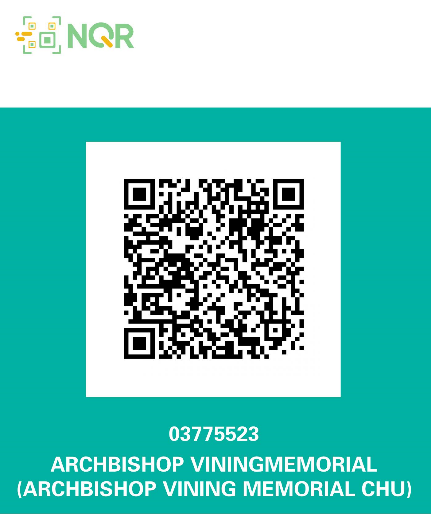
***(a) First Fruits (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed &***

***Sunday Offering***

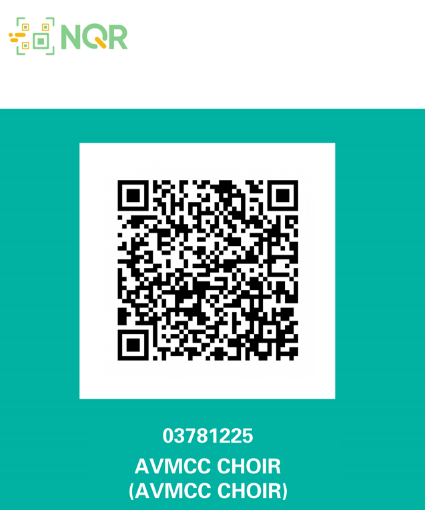
* The Eucharistic Prayers
* The Administration: Worship Songs
* Post Communion Prayer
* Thanksgiving
* Youth Anthem
* Notices
* Prayer & Benediction
* Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 138

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 **OFFERING & THANKSGIVING**



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**20. 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.

**21. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS**

**A. OBITUARIES**

i. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Sir Isaac Chigbundu Achonu of YMCA. Aged: 87 years. Burial arrangements are as follow:

**Service of Songs:** On Friday, 22nd March, 2024 at Vining Hall by 4.00pm.

ii. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Bro. Samuel Eloka Ochokwu of YMCA (Husband of Mrs Nneka Ochokwu of Choir & Daughters of Light). Burial arrangements are as follow:

**Wake Keep:** On Thursday, 11th April, 2024 at His home Little Wood Estate, Umuota Village, Idemili North LGA - Anambra

**Funeral Service:** On Friday, 12th April, 2024 at All SaintsAnglican Church, Anambra.

iii. We announce the passing on to Glory of Chief Timothy Adebanjo Fasuyi, (Father of our Cathedral Warden Mr. Olawale Fasuyi).

Burial arrangements are as detailed below:

**Night of Tributes** - Monday 15th April , 2024.

Vining Hall, AVMCC, GRA- Ikeja @ 4.00pm.

**Service of songs -** Tuesday 16th April, 2024.

1 Badagry Street Off Adeniyi Jones Ave, Ikeja Lagos (Akora Estate) 5.00pm

**Christian Wake Keeping -** Friday 19th April 2024

Pre-Varsity Education Centre Ireti Ayo, Ijebu-Jesa Road, Ilesha @ 5.00pm.

**Funeral Service** - Saturday 20th April 2024 @ Holy

Trinity Ang Cathedral, Omofe, Ilesha @ 10.00am.

iv. We announce the passing into glory of our Mother, Mrs Mercy Aruofor of Band of Grace Society).

Burial arrangements are as follow:

**Service of Songs:** On Wednesday, 17th April, 2024 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm

**Funeral Service:** On Thursday, 18th April, 2024 at AVMCC at 9.00am.

v. We announce the passing into glory of our Mother, Mrs Adebisi Oshunbiyi of Charity Band).

Burial arrangements are as follow:

**Wake-Keep:** On Thursday, 2nd May, 2024 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm

**Funeral Service:** On Friday, 3rd May, 2024 at AVMCC at 9.00am.

**B. VACANCY**

i. A State Registered Nurse is urgently needed at AVMCC Clinic. Interested candidates should forward their C.V. to the Dean’s Office latest before 30th March, 2024.

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**H. 6.00 pm. EVENSONG**

**Cantor*:* LayreaderRaymond Agu**

**Preacher*:* Layreader Moni Oshikoya**

**Sponsor*: Band of Light***

**Organist: *Sir. Chinedu Osinigwe***

* Processional Hymn: CONH 821
* Call to Worship
* Praise Worship
* Lesson: John 12:20-36a - ***Band of Light***
* Hymn: CONH 824
* Short Exhortation & Prayer
* Offerings Choruses

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

* Thanksgiving
* Closing Prayer
* Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 131

**2. SENTENCES FOR LENT V**

**Introductory Sentence**

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. ***John 10:27.***

**Collect for the Week:**

Loving Father, You delivered and saved us all by the passion and Cross of Your Son Jesus Christ: grant that by steadfast faith in the merits of His sacrifice we may find help and salvation, and may triumph in the power of His victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Collect for the Season:**

Almighty and merciful God, You hate nothing that You have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may receive from You, the God of all mercy, perfect forgiveness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Post Communion Sentence**

What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? II Cor. 6:15.

**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.

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**4. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY,**

**17th MARCH, 2024**

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

i. Pray for Most Rev. Dr. Henry Ndukuba our Primate, Most Rev. Dr. Olusina Fape our Archbishop and Olusola our Bishop that God will increase them in Godly wisdom.

ii. For the Rt. Revd. Timothy Yahaya, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kaduna.

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 Islamnization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of TURKEY nor NORTH AFRICA in Jesus Name. Amen.*

i. That the knowledge of God shall fill the earth and that Nigeria shall not be left out.

ii. Let the power of God break asunder every plan and agenda of the devil over Nigeria.

iii. That the God of peace shall not forsake us in Nigeria.

C. Prayer for AVMCC

i. That God shall frustrate evil agenda of the devil over His church.

ii. The gate of hell shall not overcome the church.

iii. God shall provide for the needs of His people and that no one shall lack anything good.

D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Ihuonye Family, Ihunwo Family, Ijegbulem Family, Ijogun Family, Ijeomah Family, Ike Family, Ikeanyionwu Family, Ikebeotu Family, Ikechukwu Family, Ikedife Family.

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

i.For Nkechinyere Amaechi, Miss Maureen Momoh, Dr.Okechukwu Obi, Sir Chukwuemeka Obi, Master Destiny Amuzie, Mr Ralph Ekwugh, Mr Uzochukwu Ogbu, Barr. Makinde Ogunleye, Mrs Nkiru Nieman, Engr. Oluwafolakemi Olatunji, Mr Chidumebi Obianagha, Mrs Stella Onwuzuruike Mrs Alarape Popoola, Mrs Nkechi Uche, Mrs Oladepe Ismail, Miss Mosopeluwa Adewale 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:** Miss Anna Idehen, Mrs. Gladys Odedairo, Mrs. Beatrice Akinola, 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.

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**COVENANT SEED**

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18. **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 Adetiloye & Vining halls

Sound System Overhaul (Mixer, Amp etc) N1.8m

400 Plastic Chairs for the Halls

80 Plastic Tables for the Halls

2 Hiace Buses

1 Coaster Bus

2 Money Counting Machine

2 Desktop Computer System

6 “86” LG Television

4 “32” Television

**2 Dispenser, 2 DVD Player & 2 TV (for AVMCC Creche)**

**40 Sewing Machines @ N80,000 each for Diocesan Vocational Centre, City of God, Ipaja.**

**MURAL & CREATIVE PAINTING OF A MODERN CRECHE AND PLAYGROUP = 642,000**

**SCREEDING OF THE WALLS = 1,130,000**

**WALLPAPER & SAV SCTICKERS = 84,000**

**EDUCATIVE/PLAYTIME SAV FLEX = 169,000**

**FLOOR SYNTHETICS (TURF) = 765,000**

**VINYL FLOOR CARPET = 469,220**

**Premium underlay for crèche = 47,800**

**19. ICT LOUNGE**:

Kindly patronize the  AVMCC ICT LOUNGE at Adetiloye House (Ground Floor), which opens at 9.00am - 5.00pm on 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  07063214646.***

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**8. 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**

**Ex 22:29** “Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me”

**Deut 12:6** “And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks”

**Deut 16:16** “Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the Lord empty”:

**2 Chron 7:12** “And the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice”

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**9. NOTICE TO DECORATORS AND SANCTUARY**

**USERS FOR EVENTS**

**To preserve the furniture, fittings and fixtures within the sanctuary, the Church will not allow the use of nails, tacks, staple pins or any other items capable of damaging or defacing the furniture for purposes of installing decorations. Stand-alone decorative items must be used without exception. Decorators and users will be penalized for any damages observed.**

**The Wardens**.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Notices and Thanksgiving must get to Church Office not later than Thursday of the week.

**11. AVMCC CLINIC**

**Specialist/Consultant Clinic days .**

Parishioners are hereby informed that the AVMCC Clinic will start operating Specialist/Consultant Clinic days in the clinic in the following areas.

**(1) Cardiology (2) Urology (Prostate etc)**

**(3) Gynaecology (4) Neurology**

Members or members relative who desire the above specialized health needs should go to the Clinic to Register with their name, phone number and special area of need.

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**5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY, 17TH MARCH, 2024**

**THEME: SALVATION COMES THROUGH**

**FAITH IN CHRIST**

**READING: PSALM 22:23-29; JEREMIAH 31:31-34;**

**HEBREWS 9:11-14; JOHN 12:20-32.**

Salvation is not something achieved by human effort or goodness; it is entirely a gift from God. As human beings, we find ourselves in need of salvation from various sources of evil and corruption that surround us. We require deliverance from our own sinful inclinations and behaviors that separate us from God's perfect standard. We must seek salvation from the clutches of Satan, a formidable and invisible force that seeks to deceive, tempt, and lead us away from God's truth and love. Satan. We need to be rescued from the corrupt and alluring systems of the world that constantly surround us, tempting us to prioritize worldly desires over spiritual truths.

The Bible warns us of a coming judgment after death, where every individual will be called to give an account of their actions and choices. This divine judgment will determine our eternal destiny, either granting us entry into the presence of God or condemning us to the eternal separation and torment described as the Lake of Fire. Therefore, the pressing question arises: How can we be saved from this impending judgment and the eternal consequences of our sins?

According to Hebrews 9:11-14, Jesus, as the high priest, offered Himself as a perfect sacrifice for our sins, granting eternal redemption to those who have faith in Him. Similarly, John 12:20-32, Jesus foretold His sacrificial death, emphasizing that through His crucifixion, all who believe in Him will be drawn to salvation. These passages affirm that salvation comes through faith in Christ, who through His sacrificial death offers redemption and eternal life to all who believe in Him.

**How are we saved**

1. **By God**

The journey to salvation begins with God the Father. It is He who sets the plan of salvation into motion. According to the Christian faith, God determined to save humanity out of His own will and love. This is not a response to anything we have done but arises from His sovereign grace and mercy. The Scriptures repeatedly affirm that God is proactive in this regard; He is often described as the shepherd seeking the lost sheep, the father running to embrace the prodigal son.

2. **Through Jesus**

central figure in the narrative of salvation is Jesus Christ. In the Christian understanding, salvation is inseparable from Christ. This exclusivity is supported by biblical references such as Acts 4:12, which states that salvation is found in no one else but Christ. The New Testament describes Christ's life, death, and resurrection as the cornerstone of salvation. Ephesians 2:5-7, for instance, emphasizes the union believers have with Christ, being made alive, raised, and seated with Him in the heavenly realms. This union is based on the belief in His substitutionary atonement—Christ suffering the penalty for sin in place of sinners—and His victory over death, which offers the promise of eternal life.

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3. With Grace

Grace is a critical concept in understanding salvation. It is defined as the unmerited favor of God, a kindness that we do not deserve and cannot earn. Grace is not just a single act of generosity but is seen as the continuous, overflowing kindness of God toward humanity. This grace is manifest in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, which, from the Christian perspective, represent the ultimate act of divine love and mercy. As Ephesians 2:8-9 elaborates, it is by this grace that believers are saved, through faith—and even that faith is not from themselves; it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.

4. Through Faith

Faith is the human response to the grace of God. It is not simply intellectual assent but involves trust, reliance, and adherence to the truths of the Gospel. Faith is described metaphorically as the eyesight of the soul, allowing individuals to perceive spiritual realities and receive the blessings that God provides. It is through faith that one acknowledges their need for salvation and embraces the gift of grace. Faith itself is seen as a gift, something that is imparted by God through the hearing of the word of Christ (Romans 10:17). This faith is not static; it is nurtured and sustained by God, ensuring that it endures throughout the believer's life.

Brethren in God, as we gradually enter the passion week, in commemoration of the crucifixion and suffering of our Lord Jesus Christ, we reflect on the message of salvation through faith in Christ.

1. Let us acknowledge Your Need for Salvation: Recognize the deep need within each of us for salvation from sin, the grip of Satan, the allure of the world, and the looming judgment that awaits. Let this awareness humble us and drive us to seek the saving grace of Christ.

2. Place Your Faith in Christ: Embrace Jesus as the sole source of salvation and eternal life. Trust in His sacrificial death and victorious resurrection as the foundation of your hope and the gateway to reconciliation with God.

3. Repentance and Surrender: Take the crucial step of turning away from sin and self-reliance through repentance. Surrender your whole being—mind, heart, and will—to the transformative power of Christ, allowing Him to reign as Lord of your life.

4. Live a Transformed Life: Yield to the Holy Spirit's work within you, allowing Him to mold you into the likeness of Christ. Let your actions, words, and attitudes reflect the love, grace, and truth of the Gospel to a world in need.

5. Share the Good News: Embrace the call to share the message of salvation with others. Be a beacon of hope and a messenger of the Good News, inviting those around you to experience the life-changing power of Christ's redemptive love.

6. Prepare for Eternity: Keep in mind the reality of eternity and the certainty of facing God's judgment. Live each day with a sense of anticipation for the eternal life promised to those who have placed their faith in Christ, knowing that He has secured our place in the Book of Life.

May our response to the truth of salvation through faith in Christ be marked by wholehearted commitment, unwavering faith, and a steadfast hope in the promises of God. Let us walk in the light of His love, proclaiming His salvation to a world in need and eagerly awaiting the blessed eternity that awaits those who are found in Him.

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**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 and second Tuesday of each 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.

1. Please send names of sick and shut-in Elders to the Coordinator Elderly Ministry or the Cathedral office for visitation.

**iii**. **2024 Bible Quiz Book – (1) EPHESIANS**

**(II) ANGLICANISM**

**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 5.00pm to 6.00pm. They visit the sick and all those needing spiritual support and prayers etc after 7.00am 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 fellowshipping of God’s grace every last Thursday of the month at 11. 00am.

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

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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 DLW Vocational Center, City**

**of God, 10 Majiyagbe Layout, Ipaja.**

The form for DLW Vocational Center is out. The programme includes ***(Catering, Clothing & Fashion, I.T. Computer, Textile Design, Photography, Shoe & Leather work, Barbing & Hairdressing).*** Kindly note that registration forms are available in all Archdeaconry Headquarters and the Dean’s Office.

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

Admission to Lagos Anglican Bible College (LABICO) for 2024 Calendar year is ongoing. Please obtain your form at the Church Office or contact: 08033083851. Admission form is N3,000.

**G. Babington Macaulay Junior Seminary, Ikorodu**

The forms for the above school are out at the rate of **N20,000**. Payment should be made into **Zenith Bank Plc:** Babington Macaulay Junior Seminary **Account No 1015133015.**  Collect your own at the Cathedral Office and submit at the school. **Examination Date:** Saturday, 1st June, 2024. Interview on Saturday 8th June, 2024 at 8.00am.

**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

The forms for the above schools are out at the rate of **~~N~~15,000.** Payment should be made into **Union Bank Acct N0 0002516850.** **Account Name:** Lagos Anglican Schools Management Board and Collect the form at the Cathedral Office and submit to the school of your choice.

**16. MINISTRIES & FELLOWSHIPS**

**A. Children’s Ministry**

Parents are requested to send their children to the Sunday School with Bibles, Note Books & Biros. 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.

**B.** **COUNSELLING MINISTRY**

Prospective couples are counselled in the ministry after which they are referred to the priest assigned to them for the concluding part of the Counselling session.

Counsellees from overseas (with evidence) who intend to spend a short period in the country for their wedding, undergo crash programmes because of their time limitations.

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**GRADUAL HYMN FOR 7.00A.M**

**IN CHRIST ALONE**

1. **In Christ alone my hope is found,  
   He is my light, my strength, my song;  
   this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
   firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
   What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
   when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
   My Comforter, my All in All,  
   here in the love of Christ I stand.**
2. **In Christ alone! who took on flesh  
   Fulness of God in helpless babe!  
   This gift of love and righteousness  
   Scorned by the ones he came to save:  
   Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
   The wrath of God was satisfied -  
   For every sin on Him was laid;  
   Here in the death of Christ I live.**
3. **There in the ground His body lay  
   Light of the world by darkness slain:  
   Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
   Up from the grave he rose again!  
   And as He stands in victory  
   Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
   For I am His and He is mine -  
   Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**
4. **No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
   This is the power of Christ in me;  
   From life's first cry to final breath.  
   Jesus commands my destiny.  
   No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
   Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
   Till He returns or calls me home,  
   Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

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**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.

1. 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.

1. May Your heavenly peace surround us

Turn our darkness into light,

Give us strength, now and forever

So, to live within Your might.

1. God, our compassionate Father,

Look upon us with mercy

Let Your Name receive our praises

Now and for eternity. Amen.

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**9. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK**

**March 10 – March 16, 2024**

**7.00 am Holy Communion 789**

**7.00 am Youth Service 230**

**7.00 am Sunday School 335**

**10.00 am Mattins 554**

**10.00 am Youth Service 143**

**10.00 am Sunday School 250**

**Tuesday Bible Study 131**

**Wednesday Holy Communion 149**

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting 250**

**10. MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

The following Societies will meet immediately in the

Church after service:

* + ***Band of Grace Society***
  + ***Band of Glory Society***
  + ***Band of Light Society***
  + ***Band of Mercy Society***
  + ***Christian Unity Band Society***
  + ***Fountain of Hope Society***
  + ***Ladies Christian Circle***
  + ***Ladies Progressive League***
  + ***Lord Labourers Fellowship***
  + ***Good Shepherd Society***
  + ***The Lord Vessel Society***

**11. CATHEDRAL ROSTER**

**A. Cathedral Health Centre**

**i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 17th March, 2024**

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

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Mrs Olufunke Olatunji, Sis. Boladuro Ajibola.

**ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 24th March, 2024**

**7.00a.m-10.00a.m:** Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Dr. B. Ibidapo-Obe, Pharm Deji Osinoiki, Mrs Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

**10.00am-2.00pm:** Prof. I. Akinsete, Dr.(Mrs) Irene Okwerekwu, Pharm. Dele Ajala, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Mrs Bola Awobiyi, Mrs Chinelo Emenike.

**B. Security & Traffic Control**

**i. Sunday 17th Mar. - Saturday, 23rd Mar., 2024**

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 Enujioke, Olusegun Esan, Jemerigbe Helen I, Odibo Fanny Efe, Odanye Mojisola.

**ii. Sunday 24th Mar. - Saturday, 30th Mar. 2024**

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

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**14. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**Palm Sunday March 24**

**Theme: Christ’s Simplicity and Humility**

**Colour: Red**

**7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION**

**PALM SUNDAY**

***Celebrant: The Dean***

***Epistle: Phil. 2:4-11***

***Layreader Raymond Agu***

***Gospel: Matthew 21:1-13***

***Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle***

***Preacher: The Dean***

**THE YOUTH SERVICE**

**Venue: *The Adetiloye House***

**Celebrant: *The Rev. Michael Obembe***

**Preacher: *The Rev. Michael Obembe***

**10.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION**

**PALM SUNDAY**

***Celebrant: The Dean***

***Epistle: Phil. 2:4-11***

***LayreaderEsther Alofe***

***Gospel: Matthew 21:1-13***

***The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju***

***Preacher: The Dean***

**12.** **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.

**2nd NOTICE:**

***1. Mr Nnamdi Okwerekwu & Miss Vivian Awosika***

**1st NOTICE:**

***2. Mr Omobayonle Mimiko & Miss Anjolaoluwa Adesanya***

**16. 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.

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**3RD NOTICE:**

**2ND NOTICE:**

***1. Mr. Archie Patrice& Miss Ayobami Adeonojobi***

***2. Mr. Adekunle Falodun& Miss Oluwakemi Bissy-Aluko***

**1ST NOTICE:**

***1. Mr. Anderson Enoghayin& Miss Ndidi Okoh***

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**Prayer Points:**

* For the Most Revd. Dr. Ali Buba Lamido, his family and all members of the Diocese of Wusasa.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Onyekachi Nwakanma, Mrs Eno Adejuyigbe, Mrs Esther Adewole-Ranti, Mrs Iyabode Aedyelu, Mr Igho Arhagba, Mrs Mofoluso Olawunmi, Mrs Yvonne Olowokande, Dr. (Mrs) Josephine Soboyejo, Mrs Ngozi Egesi, Mrs Tenrat Oche, Miss Adenike Adepoju, Mr Kolawole Oni, Engr. Obafolarin Aluko, Mr Lotachukwu Anyakora, Sir. Godwin Omene.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Imo Family, Imoru Family, Ineh Family, Inekwe Family, Inhedioha Family, Inwang Family, Inyang Family..

**Friday, March 22, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Resolve to be at Jesus’ feet**

**Celebrant: *The Rev. Michael Obembe***

**Epistle: 1I Cor. 4:1-12- *Lay. Y. Agbaniyaka***

**Gospel: John 11:30-44**

***Hymns: CONH 13, CONH 607, CONH 19***

**Preacher: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju***

**Prayer Points:**

* For the Rt. Revd. John Garba Danbinta, his family and all members of the Diocese of Gusau.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Elizabeth Okuo, Miss Chimdinma Ejikeme, Mrs Taiwo Olowojoba, Mr Jidenna Chiagozie, Mrs Janet Osinoiki, Mr Chimzuruoke Okpara, Mrs Adenike Victor-Osho.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Iregbulem Family, Iriele Family, Iroabueke Family, Isaac Family.

**4.00pm Service of Songs for**

**Late Mr Isaac Achonu- Vining Hall**

**6.30pm Choir Practice**

**Saturday, March 23, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Wisdom against evil conspiracy**

**Celebrant: *The Yinka Akinpeju***

**Epistle: II Cor. 4:13-18 *– Lay. Olabisi Onayemi***

**Gospel: John 11:45-57**

**Hymns:  *CONH 126, CONH 608, CONH 120***

**Preacher: *The Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle***

**Prayer Points:**

* For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Chukwuma Chinekezi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Owerri.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Olugbenga Adebamiwa, Miss Christiana Enendu, Mr Seun John, Mrs Udochukwu Ajomiwe, Mrs Amarachi Agbo, Mr Olusola Badejo, Mrs Evelyn Okeke, Mrs Chinonye Onwuzirike, Mrs Ifeoma Okeke, Mrs Nnedi Okonkwo, Miss Ihuoma Osuokwu, Mrs Udeaku Egbudiwe, Mrs Aderike Awe, Mr Ebenezer Achebe, Miss Onyeka Chioke, Mr Femi Agbaje, Miss Abisola Kilo.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ishola Family, Isichei Family, Isiguzo Family, Ismail Family, Isong Family, Iteghete Family, Itua Family.

**4.00 pm Baptism**

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**12. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP**

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| **S/N** | **NAMES** | **LOCATION** | **PHONE NO** |
| 1. | Mr. Cyril Nwannunu | Egbeda | 08033480112 |
| 2. | Mrs. Georgina Bamigboye | Oko-Oba GRA Scheme 1 | 08023414415 |
| 3. | Obum Osy-Onyekwelu | Maryland Crescent | 08036684298 |
| 4. | Victor Adenuoye | Fagba | 08069206291 |
| 5. | Lady Gina Okolo | Mangoro Ikeja | 08033235796 |
| 6. | Ugochi Osinigwe | College Road, Ogba | 08092147012 |
| 7. | Rtd. Col. C. O. Ajala | 54, New Ipaja Road | 08081654907 |
| 8. | Mrs. Ebele S. Okere | Ajao Estate | 08023270247 |
| 9. | Chukwuemeka Ejiofor | Dopemu | 07030463556 |
| 10. | Adekoya M. O. | Toyin Street, Ikeja |  |
| 11. | Olusunkanmi King | Maryland |  |
| 12. | Chinyere Umealo | Oregun | 08033052131 |
| 13. | Ada Obi | Cement | 08062074465 |
| 14. | Obi Divine | Cement | 08062074465 |
| 15. | Mrs. Udoka Omoniyi | Fagba | 08023082792 |
| 16. | Mayokun Ogedengbe | Anifowose | 08069530744 |
| 17. | Gbadeyan Ademola | Alagbole /Akute | 08171373722 |
| 18. | Chinyere Okpara | Adealu | 08035792201 |
| 19. | Umeadi Juliana | Dopemu | 08057474558 |
| 20. | Bro. I.O Odeniran | Opebi | 08023096565 |
| 21. | Umeadi Christopher | Dopemu Road, Agege | 08055901853 |
| 22. | Tochi Anyalewechi | Oke-Ira, Ogba |  |
| 23. | Mrs Teju Akindolire | Ogudu, GRA | 08175160830 |
| 24. | Mr Tunji Odeneye | Gbagada | 08033163337 |
| 25. | Mr Makinde Ogunleye | Omole Phase 2 | 08033078004 |
| 26. | Barr. F. Okey Ogbu | Iyana-Ipaja | 08023192145 |
| 27. | Princewill Ihemerendu | Mafoluku |  |

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**13. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, March 18, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: The Lord, our Great Shepherd**

**Ante Communion: Layreader Edith Cookey**

**Celebrant: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu***

***The Rev. Oluwafikayomi Adenle***

**Epistle: Psalm 23:1-6 *– Lay. Ethel Onuma***

**Gospel: Mark 9:30-41**

**Hymns: *CONH 118, CONH 641, CONH 878***

**Preacher: *Layreader Abeke Nubi***

**Prayer Points:**

* For the Rt. Revd. Zakka Lale Nyam, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kano.
* For the Rt. Revd. Idris Ado Zubairu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Sokoto.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Zainab Adeyemi, Mr Olaniyi Balogun, Mr Ehiedu Onugosim, Mr Chukwuma Ilo, Mrs Mosina Madueke, Miss Blessing Egorhua, Miss Lauretta Okolie, Dr. Ndubuisi Okaro, Mr Adewale Otusanya, Mrs Blessing Nwakozor, Mrs Joyce Okeke, Mrs Florence Ogunbiyi, Otunba Folayele Akinrolabu.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ikedinma Family, Ikediugwu Family, Ikeh Family, Ikejiaku Family, Ikeme Family, Ikenua Family, Ikokwu Family, Ikomi Family, Ikoro Family, Ikpeawujo Family.
* **Birthday Thanksgiving of Chief Mrs Florence Ogunbiyi.**

**3.00 pm Standing Committee Meeting**

**6.30pm. Choir Practice**

**Tuesday, March 19, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**St. Joseph of Nazareth**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Lead your children to do their father’s**

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**Celebrant: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye***

**Epistle: Romans 4:13-18*– Lay. A. Obiageli***

**Gospel: Luke 2:41-52**

**Hymns: *CONH 16, CONH 711, CONH 452***

**Preacher: *The Rev. Michael Obembe***

**Prayer Points:**

* For the Most Revd. Edmund Akanya, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kebbi.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Ifeoma Anyanti, Mrs Evelyn Adewale, Mr Ebenezer Onwuama, Mr Anreti Nelson, Miss Titilope Idowu, Miss Olaitan Ladele, Mr Oyedika Nwoji, Mrs Alache Obe, Mrs Deborah Olowu, Mrs Olubunmi Udo, Capt. Charles Asuen.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Ikwuagwu Family, Ikwudinma Family, Ikwuemesi Family, Ikwunze Family, Ilesanmi Family, Illoh Family, Ilo Family, Iloabanafor Family, Iloabuchi Family, Iloanya Family.

**5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer**

**6.00pm BIBLE STUDY**

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**Wednesday, March 20, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Delay is not denial**

**Celebrant: *The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere***

**Epistle: 1I Cor. 2:14-3:6 *- Lay. Tosin Faloyin***

**Gospel: John19:1-16**

**Hymns: *CONH 18, CONH 455, CONH 421,***

***CONH 458***

**Preacher: *The Dean***

**Prayer Point**

* For the Rt. Revd.Markus Yohanna Danbinta, his family and all members of the Diocese of Dutse.
* For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mr Godfrey Chinwokwu, Mrs Philomena Atuchukwu, Mr Gabriel Agu, Mr Adeolu Balogun, Mr Nneamaka Ifezue, Mr Kolawole Ashiru, Miss Ijeoma Ezeakolam, Mrs Chinemelum Osegbo, Mr Daniel Owolabi, Mrs Amelia Ologunde, Miss Chiebonam Nwerri, Miss Cynthia Ogueliwu, Miss Celephina Onovo, Mr Alaba Emmanuel, Mr Uche Claudious.
* For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Iloeje Family, Iloh Family, Iloputa Family, Ilori Family, Ilozuni Family, Immanuel Family, Imarhiagbe Family**.**

**8.00am Vining Intercessor’s Visitation**

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**6.00pm LENTEN SERVICE**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

***Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe***

***The Epistoller: The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere***

***The Gospeller: The Rev. Adenle Oluwafikayomi***

***Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju***

***Intercession: The Rev. Toyin Adeyeye***

***Theme: The Hardened Heart***

1. Processional Organ Recital

2. Opening Hymn: CONH 463

3. The Preparation to Penitence – **Rev. M. Obembe**

4. The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 14:3:6

5. Gradual Hymn CONH 461

6. The Gospel Mark 10:1-16

7. The Message

8. Nicene Creed,

9. Intercession

10. Peace

11. Offertory Hymn: CONH 503

12. Eucharistic Prayers

13. Administration: CONH 416, 282

14. Ablution Hymn: CONH 19 ***(Self Denial Envelopes)***

15. Post Communion Prayer

16. Closing Prayer and Benediction

17. Notices

18. Withdrawal Hymn: Organ Voluntary

**Thursday, March 21, 2024 Colour: Purple**

**6.00am Lent Revival**

**7.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme: Jesus, A True Comforter**

**Celebrant: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju***

**Epistle: II Cor. 3:7-18 – *Lay. Temitayo Gidado***

**Gospel: John 11:17-29**

**Hymns: *CONH 23 , CONH 944, CONH 1242***

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

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**WISDOM / TRUTH FOR THE CHURCH AND THE CONTRACTORS**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your Spirit of wisdom hover over the site and take charge of every thought and activity.

***Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the Lord put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the Lord had commanded (Exod 36:1)***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, fill us with wisdom, understanding, knowledge and all kinds of skills needed to build to Your glory.

***And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, (Exod. 31:3)***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, saturate the entire atmosphere as we build with wisdom that descend from above.

***This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish (James 3:15).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your fear permeate the heart of everyone that will touch this project.

***There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? (Exod. 39:9)***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we pray that everyone will hand this project with truth and integrity of heart

***And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured. (Gen. 39:6)***

**SPEEDY COMPLETION, NO DELAY**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, frustrate every mischievous plan to wreak havoc on any member/worker to cause a delay on the project.

***That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief (Nehemiah 6:2).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, empower and make me a man to further the refurbishment of Your church.

***When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel (Nehemiah 2:10).***

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1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your divine hand be upon this project for unique supernatural speed.

***And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel (1Kgs 18:46).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, stir up the hearts of people in high places to support and work for this project and not against it.

**Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king’s letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me (Nehemiah 2:9).**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, fill the hearts of every worker on the site, that no one will be an agent of delay.

**So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work (Nehemiah 4:6).**

**REVIVAL AND MIRACLE SEASON**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, wrought wonders that will proclaim Your majestic power in our midst this season.

***Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses (Josh 1:3).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let Your presence be present always to heal and deliver anytime we gather.

***“And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them” (Luke 5:17)***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, go before your church and miraculously make a way, and supply every need of this project.

***I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel (Isaiah 45:2-3).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, do the miraculous as the work of the Cathedral kicks off, honour your word and your name.

***Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert (Isaiah 43:19).***

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1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we decree that at every gathering, You will send Your Word to us in power.

***Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? (Acts 2:37)***

**SHUTTING THE MOUTH OF SANBALLAT AND TOBIAT GERSHEM**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, disappoint every plan of the enemy over this project, show your strength and power to do the impossible.

***And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the heathen that were about us saw these things, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God (Nehemiah 6:16).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, shut up every satanic agent assigned to weaken the hands of the Church.

***Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia (Ezra 4:4-5).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, close every legal, policy, or religious door opened to attack this project.

**Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes’ letter was read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made them to cease by force and power. Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia (Ezra 4:23-24).**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as far as this work is concerned, raise a standard against everyone who will stand as enemy.

***then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries (Exodus 23:22).***

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, do not hold your peace before, during and after this project, let praises and Thanksgiving be our testimonies at the end of the day. ***For Zion’s sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth (Isaiah 62:1).***

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**REFURBISHMENT PRAYER**

**INTRODUCTION**

***Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain (Psalm 127:1).***

Prayer is the key in any kingdom assignment. As we finally commence the Cathedral refurbishment project, it is important for every member of the Cathedral (and non-members) to be mobilized in prayer.

The following are scriptural prayer points that God has commanded us to pray at our personal prayer time, family altar, every ministry or society time of prayer and fellowship.

Please let us be committed and dedicated to these prayers.

**THANKSGIVING**

Heavenly Father, we give You thanks for You are so good to us. Your love and mercy towards us in this Cathedral are boundless and immeasurable. We are extremely grateful. Especially, for the commencement of the refurbishment of the Cathedral. You are always working things out for our good, and we trust that this time You will also come through for us. Help us to rest in the truth that You are our Creator and that there nothing impossible for You. Thank You loving and faithful Father, for who You are in Jesus Christ name. Amen.

**ABUNDANT PROVISION**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, open the floodgate of abundant provisions that will be enough to start and complete the work within the record time.

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work (2 Corinthians 9:8).

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, bless and make every member a channel of blessing

**And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every morning (Exod 36:3).**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let the love of your house fill our hearts to give in abundance as the work goes on.

**And they spake unto Moses, saying, the people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the Lord commanded to make (Exod 36:5).**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we decree that we shall never experience lack and paucity of fund till the work is completed

**And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So, the people were restrained from bringing (Exod 36:6).**

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, release the grace to enjoy constant access to divine treasury.

**For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much (Exod 36:7).**

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