

YOU NEED ANY HELP?

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

- A. **For Booking of all Services of the Church**
The Dean; The Canon Residentiary
- B. **For Social Welfare and Charity**
The Dean; Chief (Mrs.) Grace Odukomaia 08033247831
- C. **For Cathedral Societies**
The Dean; The Society Chaplains; Presidents & Secretaries of Societies
- D. **For The Elderly Ministry**
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- S. **For Cathedral Christian Mothers Matters**
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The Dean; The Canon Residentiary
- U. **For The Choir**
The Dean;
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- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**
Mr. Kehinde Akinola - 08023050022; Tobi Balogun - 08033716752

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Vol. 20/12/48/2024

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, 15th Dec. - Saturday, 21st Dec. 2024

Advent III

Theme: John's Example as Herald of His Coming

GUILD OF STEWARDS ANNIVERSARY

Colour: Purple

Dr. Dayo Omogbehin
Cathedral Warden

Mr Olawale Fasuyi
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 – 15th Dec., 2024

**A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
GUILD OF STEWARDS ANNIVERSARY**

Celebrant: The Ven Abiodun Omoyelu
Epistle: Guild of Stewards
The Gospel: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle
Preacher: The Dean
Intercessor: The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 208
- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence–**The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju**
- ❖ The Epistle 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: CONH 413
- ❖ The Gospel: John 1:19-28
- ❖ **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 624, 496, 65, 644
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 19
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ **Thanksgiving**
 - i. Thanksgiving after successful wedding of The Rev & Mrs Oluwatomide Oso & God’s numerous blessings.
 - ii. Annual Thanksgiving by the entire Masters Energy Group and God’s numerous blessings.
 - iii. Annual Thanksgiving by St. Timothy Bible Study Group for God’s faithfulness and numerous blessings.
 - iv. Annual Thanksgiving by The Lord's Delight Charity Care Foundation's for successful 2024 outreaches & God’s numerous blessings.
 - v. Thanksgiving after burial of Late Praise Miriam Ogbu & numerous blessings and mercies.
- ❖ Doxology CONH 491
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 211

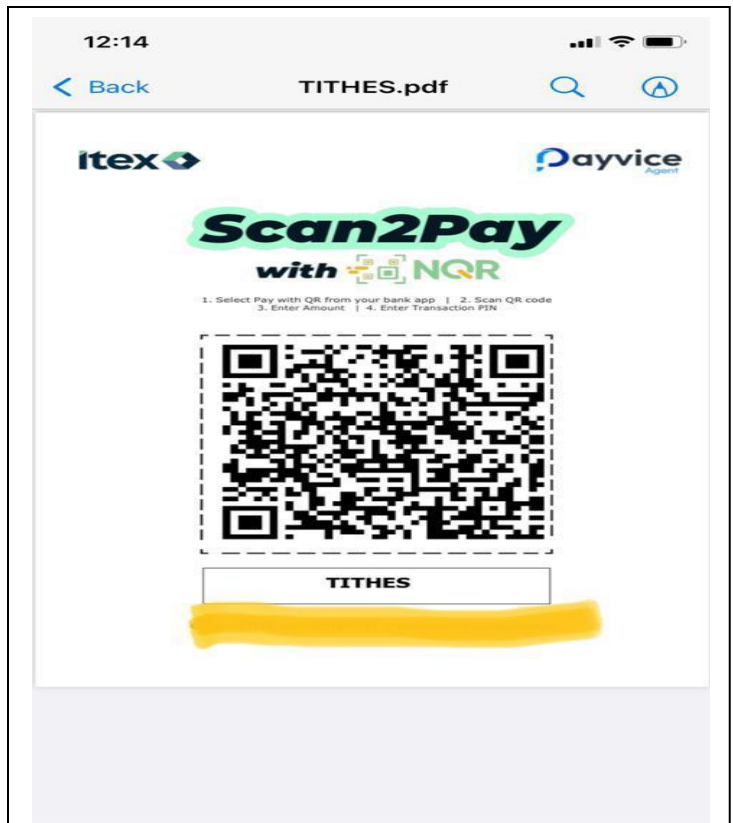
WE WELCOME ALL OUR FIRST TIMERS IN JESUS NAME. WE REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE MOVE TO THE LADY’S CHAPEL AFTER THE SERVICE WHERE OUR EVANGELICAL TEAM IS WAITING TO ATTEND TO YOU. REMAIN BLESSED AND RAPTURABLE.

AVMCC DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT

Account Name: AVMCC Development Fund
Account Number: 1021733207
Sort Code: 033154512
Branch Address, UBA Plc, 51A Adeniyi Jones Str. Ikeja.
USSD CODE: BILLER CODE: 40195
***BankUSSDCode*000*BILLER CODE+Amount#**
How to use it:
***919*000*40195+1000#** to give #1000 from a UBA account
***737*000*40195+5000#** to give #5000 from a GTB account

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Bank FCMB LTD
Account Number Naira – 2003086651
Sort Code: 214150377.
USD Account Number - 2003086682



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25. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS

<u>BANK</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>SORT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
<u>ACCESS</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>CODE</u>	
	0017948337	044151245	Building Fund Evangelical Fund
WEMA	0120970667	035150695	Offering & Thanksgiving
GTB	0570015856	058152120	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.

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HARVEST NEWS

THEME - HARVEST OF GOOD FAITH

- Matthew 17:20

A. Harvest Flag Handover- Jan. 12th 2025

20. NOTICE ON CATHEDRAL FINANCE

1. Payment of Church Dues for 2024.
 - (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 22, 2024.
 - (c) All individuals should ensure payments are done by December 30, 2024.
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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
KINDLY TAKE CARE OF YOUR
BELONGINGS IN THE CHURCH PLS

21. Busy Bees Father Christmas Grotto
 Father Christmas has arrived at the **GROTTO** from Sunday, 1st December till 25th December, 2024 with beautiful gifts to our children. Fee: N2,500.

22. SOCIETIES, COMMITTEE'S & MINISTRIES REPORTS

This is to inform the above that the next Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday 23rd February, 2025. Kindly send the report of your activities for the year 2024 to the Cathedral Office on or before Monday, 9th December, 2024. The report must be signed.

23. NAMES OF CURRENT PRESIDENT & SECRETARIES & THEIR PHONE NUMBERS

This is to inform all Societies that the Vestry Meeting will hold on Sunday, 23rd February, 2025. Kindly send the names of your current Presidents, Secretaries & their phone numbers to the Cathedral Office to enable us update the 2025 Vestry Report latest by Monday, 9th December, 2024.

24. SOCIAL WELFARE MINISTRY

Members of the Cathedral to please donate clean and used Clothes, Shoes, Bags, Household utensils etc to be distributed to the poor and the needy at Christmas. Please call: 08033247831. Thank you.

**B. 10.00am HOLY COMMUNION
GUILD OF STEWARDS ANNIVERSARY**

Celebrant: The Dean
The Epistle: Guild of Stewards
The Gospel: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle
Preacher: The Diocesan
Intercessor: The Dean

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 210
 - ❖ Praise & Worship
 - ❖ Preparation to Penitence-**The Dean**
 - ❖ The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
 - ❖ Gradual Hymn: CONH 413
 - ❖ The Gospel: John 1:19-28
 - ❖ **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 420, 628, 416, 623
 - ❖ The Ablution: CONH 19
 - ❖ Post Communion Prayer
 - ❖ **The Anniversary:**
 - i. Guild of Stewards Anthem
 - ii. Rededication of Members
 - iii. Guild of Stewards Members, Patrons/Patroness & The Church
 - ❖ **Thanksgiving**
 - i. Thanksgiving after successful wedding of The Rev & Mrs Oluwatomide Oso & God's numerous blessings.
 - ii. 50th birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Ifeoma Mgbamoka & God's numerous blessings.
 - iii. Birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Elizabeth Osibajo & God's numerous blessings.
 - iv. 72nd birthday thanksgiving of Dr. Olukayode Akinlade & God's numerous blessings.
 - v. 85th birthday thanksgiving of Dr. Isaac Adeola Odeyemi & God's numerous blessings.
 - vi. End of year thanksgiving of Imilike Ani Meeting Lagos branch & God's numerous blessings.
 - ❖ Doxology: CONH 491
 - ❖ Benediction
 - ❖ Notices
 - ❖ Diocesan Anthem
 - ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 834 (*page 18*)

**C. 5.00PM DLW CHRISTMAS CAROL
organised by Masters Energy**

D. EVENTS AHEAD

1. **AVMCC Christmas Carol – Sunday, 22nd Dec. 2024 at 7.00am & 10.00am**
2. **Christmas Day Service / Special Birthday Gift to Jesus - Wednesday, 25th December, 2024.**
3. **Watchnight Service – Tuesday 31st Dec. 2024 at 9.00pm.**
4. **New Year Service – Wednesday, 1st January, 2025.**
5. **7 HOURS OF PRAISE – organized by Agape Christian Sisters shall hold in January, 2025.**

6. Harvest Handover – Sunday, 12th January, 2025 at 10.00am.
7. Universal Week of Prayer – Monday 6th – Sat. 11th January, 2025 at 6.00pm daily.

**D. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2024
EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday, Dec. 15. 2024 – DLW Christmas Carol
2. Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024 - Torchbearers
3. Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024 - YMCA
4. Sunday, Jan. 5 2025 - Evangelical & Clergy
5. Sunday, Jan. 12, 2025 - YWCA

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E. ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to inform parishioners and other users of our facilities, that may need to have services at the Tent church or reception ceremonies at any of our halls, that decorations must be done the day prior to the event, and must be concluded by 10pm. This is for security reasons amongst others. Thank You.

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F. ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

Theme: John’s Example as Herald of His Coming
Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Preacher for 7.00am: Daniella Amobi
Intercessor for 7.00am: Victor Adebayo
Epistle for 7.00am: Tioluwani Akinwande

Preacher for 10.00am: Tiyan Omo-Idehen
Intercessor for 10.00am: Odika Chukwudi
Epistle for 10.00am: Amarachi Odah

- ❖ Opening Hymn: CONH 210
- ❖ The Preparation to Penitence
- ❖ The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
- ❖ Opening Praise
- ❖ The Gospel: John 1:19-28
- ❖ Nicene Creed
- ❖ The Peace
- ❖ Offertory: Praises
- (a) *First Fruits* (b) *Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering*
- ❖ The Eucharistic Prayers
- ❖ The Administration: Worship Songs
- ❖ Ablution Hymn: CONH 19
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ Exhortation/ Intercession
- ❖ Thanksgiving
- ❖ Youth Anthem
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Prayer & Benediction
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 834



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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

1. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Godwin Ohiara of AVMCC Choir Aged: 78years). Burial arrangements:
 - (i) **Funeral Service:** On Monday, 30th December, 2024 at St. Matthew's Anglican Church, Mgbedeala, Umuikaa junction, Isiala Ngwa South, Abia, State at 11.00am.
2. We announce the Glorious passing of our beloved Father, Pa Samuel Chukwuemeka Nwosu, (Father of Dr. Tochukwu Nwosu) of Christian Family and Fountain of Hope Society. Burial Arrangements are as follows:
 - (a) **Service of Songs:** Wednesday, 18th Dec, 2024 at AVMCC by 4pm.
 - (b) **Funeral Service:** Friday, 3rd January, 2025 at St. Michael's Anglican Church, by Afor Igwe Road, Umudioka by 10am.
3. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Samuel Sunday Adejoro of Altar Servers/ Torchbearers Society. Burial arrangements are as follows:
 - (i) **Service of Songs:** On Sunday, 22nd Dec 2024 at Vining Hall at 5.00pm.
 - (ii) **Funeral Service:** On Monday, 23rd Dec, 2024 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
4. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Emmanuel Adedeji Oyeneye of Charity Band and Choir. Burial arrangements are as follows:
 - (i) **Service of Songs:** On Wednesday, 19th Feb. 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
 - (ii) **Commendation Service:** On Thursday, 20th Feb. 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
5. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Chief Clement Babatola of CUBN. Burial arrangements are as follows:
 - (i) **Service of Songs:** On Thursday, 27th Feb. 2024 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
 - (ii) **Funeral Service:** On Friday, 28th Feb. 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.

19. VACANCY

- i. **Maintenance Officer:** Is urgently needed. 5 years working experience in reputable Construction Firm Registered Builder (NIDB) B.Tech in or HND in Building Interested persons to submit their application to the Cathedral Office.

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2. SENTENCES FOR SUNDAY ADVENT III

Introductory Sentence

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted.

Isaiah 61:1.

Collects for the Week:

Almighty God, who sent Your servant John the Baptist, to prepare Your people for the coming of Your Son; inspire the ministers and stewards of Your truth to turn our disobedient hearts to the law of love; give us courage to speak the truth, even to the point of suffering, that when He comes again in glory on the last day, we may stand with confidence before Him as our Judge; who is alove and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, nod and for ever. Amen.

Collects for the Season:

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility so that on the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious majesty; to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through Him who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence

He who testifies to these things says “Yes, I am coming soon”. **Revelation 22:20.**

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.

4. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 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. Dr. Stephen Akinwale Fagbemi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Owo.

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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.*
- ii. That Nigeria and the world be delivered from satanic rule.
- iii. That the people of Nigeria be genuinely converted and reconciled back to the Almighty God.
- iv. That the spirit of reconciliation be prevalent among our leaders.

C. Prayers for AVMCC Members

- i. That members be reconciled back to God.
- ii. That every power causing hatred and strife in church become impotent.
- iii. That the bond of love remain strong in this household of God.

D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Onyeneke Family, Onyesoh Family, Opadiran Family, Opanubi Family, Opanuga Family, Opara Family, Oparaugo-Asonye Family, Ophashi Family, Opayemi Family, Openiyi Family.

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

- i. For Mrs Stella Ailloje, Mrs Olabisi Uthman, Dr. Olukayode Akinlade, Mrs Lilian Anyalewechi, Miss Oluchi Anyanwu, Mrs Maureen Nze, Mrs Bernadeth Asugha, Mrs Hannah Oyinloye, Mr Tolulope Fetuga, Engr. Kennedy Ikwemesi, Mr Echezona Obi, Mr Olawahun Oladokun, Mr Olawale Olowu, Miss Chidinma Agwuna, Miss Chinemerem Achonye, Mr Chiedu Onukwube, Mr Michael Onuma, Miss Michelle Onuma, Mrs Elizabeth Osibajo 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 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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AVMCC HARVEST ACCOUNT

16. 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

4 "60" Inch Television

1 Sony XDCAM PMW-EX3 Camera for AVMCC Media

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

VINYL FLOOR CARPET = 469,220

Premium underlay for creche = 47,800

19.

15 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.

WITHDRAWAL HYMN FOR 7.00AM
CONH 834 .

1. When we walk with the Lord,
In the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

**Ref: Trust and obey, for there is no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

2. Not a shadow can rise,
Not a cloud in the skies,
But His smile quickly drives it away
Not a doubt nor a fear,
not a sigh nor a tear
Can abide while we trust and obey.
3. Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share
But our toils He does richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss,
not a frown nor a cross,
But is blessed if we trust and obey.
4. But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay
For the favour He shows
And the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.
5. Then in fellowship sweet,
We will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way,
What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go,
Never fear, only trust and obey.

5. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 2024

THEME: JOHN'S EXAMPLE AS HERALD OF
HIS COMING

READING: PSALM 146:5-10; ISAIAH 40:1-11; 1
CORINTHIANS 4:1-5; JOHN 1:19-28.

It is with great joy that I welcome you again to church today and it is my prayers that your coming will not be in vain in Jesus name. Whatever it is that you are trusting God for this week, May they be delivered unto you without delay in the name of Jesus Christ.

The theme for this Sunday is particularly focused on a very special personality named John the Baptist, historically, he was called the forerunner of Jesus Christ because he came before Jesus and also his role in the preparation of the ministry of Jesus Christ cannot be undermined. As we are well aware that this is the third Sunday in Advent (a season specifically set apart to remind us of the need for us to stay prepared for the second coming of the Lord), the life of John will be x-rayed so that we can draw out valuable lessons on how we ought to live our lives and also get prepared as we await our Lord and Savior.

WHAT DOES THE WORD "HERALD" MEAN?

In clarifying terms, the word "**Herald**" signifies a messenger, especially the one bringing important news such as a royal messenger; it could also mean a carrier of a message. "**To herald**" is to proclaim or announce an event, to give news or tidings of something for the public to hear.

In the gospel read for today (John 1:19-28), we saw how John the Baptist was approached by the Jews requesting to know whether he was the Messiah that they had been expecting or not. This clarification was important to the Jews because they had examined the life of John, his message, and his ministry and they also saw that his boldness and manner of approach in the proclamation of the word of God was different to those other prophets before him. He spoke the truth to power without apology and his message was consistent. John had only one message and it was clear from the beginning that his major agenda was to call people to repentance, even when the crowd began to visit him in the wilderness, he did not change his message and he vehemently preached to the high and the lows of his society to repent from their evil ways and come to God. These were the things the Jews saw and considered in approaching him, to confirm whether he was the Messiah or not.

However, the response of John to the Jews was golden as it revealed the kernel of his assignment as a forerunner of Jesus Christ; he was so particular in responding to them that he was not the Messiah, but his assignment is to prepare the ground for the Messiah who is yet to come. This had also been foretold by the angel Gabriel in Luke 1:13, 16-17. Additionally, Isaiah 40:1-11 also lay more claims on the work of John the Baptist; who is described as “a voice in the wilderness” who prepares the way of the Lord, by proclaiming the message of repentance and baptizing people after confession of sins.

IMPORTANT ACTS SHOWCASING JOHN AS A HERALD OF HIS COMING

1. John proclaimed the message of Repentance to the people.
2. He pointed their focus to Jesus Christ and not himself in any way.
3. John elevated Jesus Christ above himself, so that it was evident to all that Jesus is the Son of God who should be followed.
4. He was not moved by the crowd or powerful people of his day, as he spoke to them as he was sent by God.
5. He followed the pattern of ministry given to him by God not minding how the former prophets have been doing theirs. No wonder his location was in the wilderness as against the others who sat in the cities or towns in Israel.
6. His major goal was that God should be glorified and not men.

A careful examination of these acts would show that these are salient foundations which John the Baptist had put in place before Jesus Christ came and it gave Jesus Christ a strong foothold in the lives of people who were eagerly awaiting the Messiah that John had been proclaiming.

HOW CAN WE BECOME HERALDS OF JESUS' SECOND COMING?

There is no doubt that there are several lessons we can draw from the life of John as regard preparing the way for the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. However, for the sake of emphasis, the following are the things we need to do as believers, as we await the second coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ;

1. **Preach the Message of Good News with authority:** we must also like John, go out boldly to witness about Jesus Christ. It is when people hear that they can know about Jesus's second coming and this should be done with boldness as we proclaim the good news of Christ to a dying world. We must preach in season and out of season with intentionality and this can be done in our places of work, in our neighborhoods, market places among many other locations (2 Timothy 2:4).
2. **Be an encouragement:** another way to become a herald of His coming is to be an encouragement unto others people. People will not listen to a person who is heartless and unconcerned about their predicaments. It is when we show love and compassion, it is when we are empathetic that the heart of people will be opened to receive the message we claim to carry. Look around you and seek those who are helpless, those who are needy, those who are depressed and meet their needs according to how God has blessed you and your family. This is because, the proclamation of the good news without the foundation of love will be rejected by people, for even Christ showed us love before He asked for our commitment to follow Him (John 3:16).

2024 NATIONAL HARVEST COMPETITIONS WINNERS OF VARIOUS CATEGORIES

FINANCIAL DONATION		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
OGUN	42.15	1 ST
DELTA	35.74	2 ND
LAGOS	15.60	3 RD

REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE STATES		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
ANAMBRA	9.38	1 ST
IMO	7.64	2 ND
NORTHERN	7.62	3 RD

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STATES	SCORES	POSITION
ANAMBRA	7.00	1 ST
OGUN	6.50	2 ND
IMO	6.50	3 RD

COSTUME/TRADITION DANCE OUTFIT		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
ANAMBRA	8.17	1 ST
DELTA	8.01	2 ND
NORTHERN	7.92	3 RD

NATIVE FOOD & CUISINE		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
OGUN	9.00	1 ST
LAGOS	8.83	2 ND
OSUN	8.33	3 RD

TRADITIONAL DANCE DISPLAY		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
DELTA	7.60	1 ST
ABIA	7.50	2 ND
ANAMBRA	7.40	3 RD

OVERALL SCORES & POSITION		
STATES	SCORES	POSITION
OGUN	78.51	1ST
DELTA	69.48	2ND
LAGOS	50.37	3RD

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. 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.*

F. 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.

G. 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.

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

The form for the school is out at the rate of N10,000.00. 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.

I. 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 **₦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.

14. 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. Counselees 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.

3. **Forgive easily and showcase the life of Christ:** one of the challenges bedeviling Christianity today is that we have a large number of those who claim to be Christians but the life of Christ is absent in their lives. Their characters does not showcase that they have had an encounter with God at Calvary. As believers, our lives must first become the message before we say anything to anyone around us (Acts 1:1) and one way to share the message of Christ especially about His second coming is through forgiveness and holy living. So before you preach forgiveness, practice it first yourself so that others may see it and learn to follow. When we forgive others who have offended us, they will have a proof in their hands that indeed we have encountered Jesus Christ and they also can follow Him as we do.

4. **Be faithful in Service:** another way we can become herald of His coming is through faithfulness. As we serve others, let them see in us that we are faithful because our actions speak louder than our words. Whatever is committed to our charge let us be diligent in taking care of them as we should, so that we do not give people an opportunity to dent the message we carry for the Lord. Serve as though you are doing it for the Lord whether in a private organization or public organization. When people see that you are faithful, your words will carry weight and respect around them, but when you are unfaithful, you invariably have no words to deliver that people will listen to.

5. **Become an agent of Peace and Unity:** We must always seek for peace and unity anywhere we find ourselves as this is one of the values found in Jesus Christ who we are proclaiming.

WHY MUST WE BECOME HERALDS OF HIS COMING LIKE JOHN?

- a. We are commanded to do so before Jesus Christ left the earth (Matthew 28:19-20)
- b. God needs people to proclaim His message to this dying world (Isaiah 6:8-9)
- c. We are in the last days and the message of the Gospel is urgently needed for proclamation
- d. We were saved to bring others into the fold of Christ (2 Cor. 5:20)
- e. We must become heralds in other to depopulate the kingdom of darkness.
- f. It is secret of church growth

CONCLUSION

John the Baptist has done his part and he has gone to be with the Lord, it is now let for you and I to play our roles in seeing that the message of Christ; which is the Good News, is preached unto all. God is in need of people who will stand up and possess territories for Him, men and women who will be jealous for His cause here on earth. Can God trust you with the souls of men and women? Can He trust you to raise the children of this generation up in the fear and nurture of the Lord? These are questions we need to settle in our hearts as we anticipate His second coming.

Also, as we await the second coming of Christ, let us examine our lives individually lest anything be found in us that can block others from receiving the message of Christ in our mouth. We must remember this always; **"your words are empty when the message you preach cannot be found in your life"**. We must live out the message we preach, may the Lord help us in Jesus name (Amen).

6. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

December 8 – December 14, 2024

7.00 am Holy Communion	777
7.00 am Youth Service	231
7.00 am Sunday School	800
10.00 am Mattins	657
10.00 am Youth Service	143
10.00 am Sunday School	-
Tuesday Bible Study	76
Wednesday Holy Communion	123
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	87

7. 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*

8. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 15th Dec., 2024

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Dr. B. Ibadapo-Obe, Pharm. Dele Ajala; Mrs Amah-Jerry, Mrs Gina Okolo.

7.00am-2.00pm: Dr. (Mrs) Irene Okwerekwu, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Pharm Y. Olorunsola, Mrs E. Osibajo.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 22nd Dec., 2024

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

7.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm. Ranti Adedeji, Mrs Olufunke Olatunji, Sis. Boladuro Ajibola.

B. Security & Traffic Control

i. Sunday 15th Dec. - Saturday, 21st Dec. 2024

Omotola Onakoya, (**Captain**), Goke Uthman; (**Assistant Captain**), Ogunleye Adeboboye, Adeyemi Muyiwa, Segun Adeniji, Chioma Obi, Juliet Chimezie, Akinniran O. Temidayo, Rita Osibodu, Olusegun Esan, Michael Enujioke, Nwaorgu Chinedu, Okedurum Andrew, Gbenga Ojo, Ola Matins, Newman Ekwegh, Helen Adewale.

ii. Sunday 22nd Dec. - Saturday, 28th Dec.. 2024

Funso Fagbuyiro, (**Captain**), Helen Arhagba (**Assistant Captain**), Adeyemi Muyiwa, Goke Uthman, Helen Arhagba, Caroline Omowhara, Chukwuemeka Osaka, Bolaji Dania, Funmi Ladele, Ekwegh Lilian, Michael Enujioke, Olusegun Esan, Odanye Mojisola, John Okocha, Anthony Uwa, Afam Ogeleka.

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11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Advent IV

December 22

Theme: Accepting God's Will for our Lives

Colour: Purple

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS CAROL

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

Epistle: *Romans 1:1-7*

Layreader Patricia Olagbaju

Gospel: *Luke 1:26-38a*

The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

Address: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu*

THE YOUTH SERVICE

Venue: *The Adetiloye House*

Cantor & Preacher *The Rev. Michael Obembe*

10.00am: MATTINS

CHRISTMAS CAROL

Cantor: *The Ven. Dr. B. Okere*

O.T. Reading: *Isaiah 7:10-17*

Layreader Teju Akindolire

N.T. Reading: *Luke 1:26-38a*

Layreader Esther Alofe

Address: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

5.00pm: Service of Songs for

Late Mr Samuel Adejoro – Vining Hall

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. Adeyemi Adetunji & Miss Temiloluwa Odunlami

13. NOTICES

A. Visitors and New Comers

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

B. Library:

The Cathedral Library opens daily:

Monday – Friday - 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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Friday, December 20, 2024 Colour: Purple
7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Jesus, the Great light of Salvation

Celebrant: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

For the Epistle: Isaiah 9:2-7– Lay. J. Nwadiugwu

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-25

Hymns: CONH 18, CONH 570, CONH 509

Preacher: The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Adegoke Oludare Agara, his family and all members of the Diocese of Idoani.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Timothy Yahaya, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kaduna.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Sir Charles Ojo, Mr Blessing Obiora, Mrs Adeobi Anemeje, Mr Olusesan Gbolade, Mr Kenneth Ikweemesi, Miss Uchechi Jibueze, Mr Osorachukwu Nwankwo, Mr Uremisan Solo-Edema, Mr Zelx Uzebu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Osikoya Family, Osilaye Family, Osinaike Family, Osineye Family, Osinigwe Family, Osinoiki Family, Osinubi Family, Osinuga Family, Osisanwo Family, Osisanya Family.

12noon 80th Birthday of
Mrs Abiodun Okunromade-Ewetuga

6.00pm Choir Practice

Saturday, December 21, 2024 Colour: Purple
7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Appreciating God’s Faithfulness

Celebrant: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

For the Epistle: Psalm 89:1-7 – Lay. O. Achonye

Gospel: Luke 3:1-9

Hymns: CONH 125, CONH 50, CONH 455

Preacher: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt Revd. Zakka Lale Nyam, his family and all members of the Diocese of Kano.
- ❖ For the Rt Revd. Nuhu Yohanna, his family and all members of the Diocese of Katsina.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Ijeoma Enekwa, Mrs Felicia Ajagu, Mr Adebayo Amisu, Miss Olajumoke Adetayo, Miss Abiodun Atinuke, Mr Jotham Kareem, Mr Ugochukwu Nwannunu, Mr Onochie Osadi, Mr Uzochukwu Uzundu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Osiyemi Family, Osoba Family, Osofisan Family, Osonuga Family, Ossai Family, Osuchukwu Family, Osuagwu Family, Osueke Family, Osuji Family, Osundeko Family.

8.00am Royal Gems & Vessels Seminar

3.00 pm Youth Fellowship

4.00 pm Boys’ Brigade and Girls’ Brigade

4.00 pm Baptism

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9. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP

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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10. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 16, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The Voice that strenghtens

Ante Communion: Layreader Patricia Olagbaju

Celebrant: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu*
The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

For the Epistle: Dan. 10:10-21– *Lay. Titi Afolabi*

Gospel: Luke 22:39-53

Hymns: CONH 124, CONH 846, CONH 932

Preacher: Layreader Pauline Oghenekaro

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Most Revd. Simeon Borokini, his family and all members of the Diocese of Akure.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Oluseyi Pirisola, his family and all members of the Diocese on, the Coast.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Cordelia Ndukauba, Mrs Mojisola Ogedengbe, Mr Oluwaseyi King, Miss Tolulope Ogundipe, Mr Elijah Sikapere, Mr Francis Nwoye, Mrs Gift Ukoh, Mrs Chibugo Omechie, Mrs Oluchukwu Udochukwu, Miss Kamsiyochukwu Okeke, Sir Adewole Farinu, Mrs Helen Delano.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Opoola Family, Opurum Family, Orabuche Family, Oraelosi Family, Orakwe Family, Oramadike Family, Orebelo Family, Oredugba Family, Oriji Family, Oriuwa Family.

12.00noon Social Welfare Ministry

6.00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Know God, Stand Firm and do Exploits

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

For the Epistle: Daniel 11:1-35- *Lay. Ola Nwoji*

Gospel: Luke 22:54-69

Hymns: CONH 126, CONH 821, CONH 428

Preacher: *The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Cornelius Adagbada, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ekiti West.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Isaac Olubowale, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ekiti Oke.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Ijeoma Obi, Mr Adedayo Aderibigbe, Mrs Fidelia Anemeje, Mrs Olufunmilayo Ajayi, Mr Victor Akogu, Mr Kelvin Obika, Mr David Ogbu, Engr. Chukwukelu Chigbogu, Engr. John Ofili, Mr Azuka Ofili, Mr Edwin Ahumaraeze, Mrs Chinyere Oruche.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Orji Family, Orjiekwe Family, Orji-Nwozor Family, Orofu-Rowland Family, Oroge Family, Oruche Family, Osadi Family, Osa-Iyoha Family, Osaka Family, Osakwe Family.

5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer

6.00pm BIBLE STUDY

12.

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Victory belongs to God

Celebrant: *The Rev. Fikayo Adenle*

For the Epistle: Dan. 11:36-45 - *Lay. T. Jaiyeola*

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Hymns: CONH 471, CONH 834, CONH 835,
CONH 412

Preacher: *The Dean*

Prayer Point

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Isaac Olubowale, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ekiti-Oke.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Isaac Adeniji, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ilaje.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Chigozie Agubata, Mr Oluwatobiloba Akideinde, Mr Ejike Obiora, Mrs Helen Arhagba-Rewane, Mrs Ijeoma Onekanma, Sir Godson Chijindu, Mr Ebuka Ejebionu, Mr Chiadi Mbachii, Mr Caesar Mbonu, Princess Adetutu Omisore, Ven. Oluwambe Toriola, Mrs Joy Nnadi, Mrs Obiageli Osigwe, Mr Ayo Adewole, Mrs Nkem Nwaukwa, Mrs Ebunoluwa Onabanjo.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Osazuwa Family, Osegbo Family, Oseni Family, Oshadare Family, Oshati Family, Oshewa Family, Oshifowora Family, Oshikoya Family, Oshin Family, Osho Family.

8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation

9.00am Funeral Service
for Late Mrs Emily Ogidiolu

4.00pm Service of Songs for
Late Pa S. Chukwuemeka Nwosu – Vining Hall

6.00pm PRAYER MEETING

Thursday, December 19, 2024 Colour: Purple

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Is Your name in the book of life?

Celebrant: *The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu*

For the Epistle: Dan. 12:1-13– *Lay. H. Adewale*

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Hymns: CONH 16, CONH 503, CONH 854

Preacher: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Joshua Sunday Oyinlola, his family and all members of the Diocese of Irele Ese-Odo.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Abel Ajibodu, his family and all members of the Diocese of Idoani.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Joy Abraham, Mr Morohunfoluwa Okeowo, Mr Chukwubuzo Amangbo, Ms Adebisi Aderibigbe, Miss Oluwaseun Mala, Master Araoluwa Adewole, Mrs Joy Bielonwu, Mr Emmanuel Echeta, Mr Timothy Nwabasili, Mr Benjamin Ogbechie, Miss Oluchi Okere, Miss Omobolanle Onakoya.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Oshofisan Family, Oshokare Family, Oshunbiyi Family, Oshunleti Family, Osibajo Family, Osibamowo Family, Osibanjo Family, Osifeso Family, Osifuwa Family, Osigwe Family.

13.

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)
2. 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)
3. 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).
4. 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)
5. 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).
2. 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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3. 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).
4. 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).
5. 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).
2. 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)
3. 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).
4. 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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5. 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).

2. 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).

3. 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).**

4. 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).

5. 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).

2. 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).

3. 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).

4. 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).

5. 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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