

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
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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 08033163337
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The Dean; The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju, Mr. Tunji Odeneye 08033163337;
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The Dean, Rev. Michael Obembe; Chief (Mrs.) Funmi Ogunbadejo - 08033025033; Miss Bolanle Joseph - 08025490166
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The Dean, The Rev. Fikayo Adenle; Sister 'Seun Oyediran - 07051083385; Mr Ayo Tetede - 08020691247
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- R. **For Board of Directors for Economic Empowerment**
The Dean; Rev. Michael Obembe; Dr. Oladimeji Alo;
- S. **For Cathedral Christian Mothers Matters**
Mrs Mercy Adewole, 08062910315; Mrs. Folake Owolabi - 08023156546
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The Dean; The Canon Residentiary
- U. **For The Choir**
The Dean;
- V. **For Booking of the Hall**
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- W. **For Booking of the Guest House**
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Vol. 21/2/06/2025

Our Vision:

“CHRIST FOR ALL NATIONS”

Our 2025 Theme:

“BE A BEACON OF LIGHT” – Matt. 5:16

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, 9th Feb. - Saturday, 15th Feb. 2025

Epiphany V

Theme: The Power in the Gospel of Christ

Colour: Green

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

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

1. SERVICES FOR SUNDAY – 9th February, 2025

A. 7.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Ven. Abiodun Omoyelu
 Epistle: Layreader Gloria Okeke
 The Gospel: The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem
 Preacher: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle
 Intercessor: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 34
- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Preparation to Penitence– The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju
- ❖ The Epistle 1 Corinthians 2:1-11
- ❖ Gradual Hymn: CONH 570
- ❖ The Gospel: John 15:1-11
- ❖ 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 834, 607, 624, 420
- ❖ The Ablution: CONH 428
- ❖ Post Communion Prayer
- ❖ Thanksgiving
 - i. Family Altar Thanksgiving
 - ii. The Opara Family thanking God for successful graduation of their daughter (Chinaemerem Opara) – 1st Class in Architecture at Unilag, birthday of Mrs Faustina Opara & God’s numerous blessings.
- ❖ Doxology CONH 491
- ❖ Benediction
- ❖ Notices
- ❖ Diocesan Anthem
- ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 257

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.

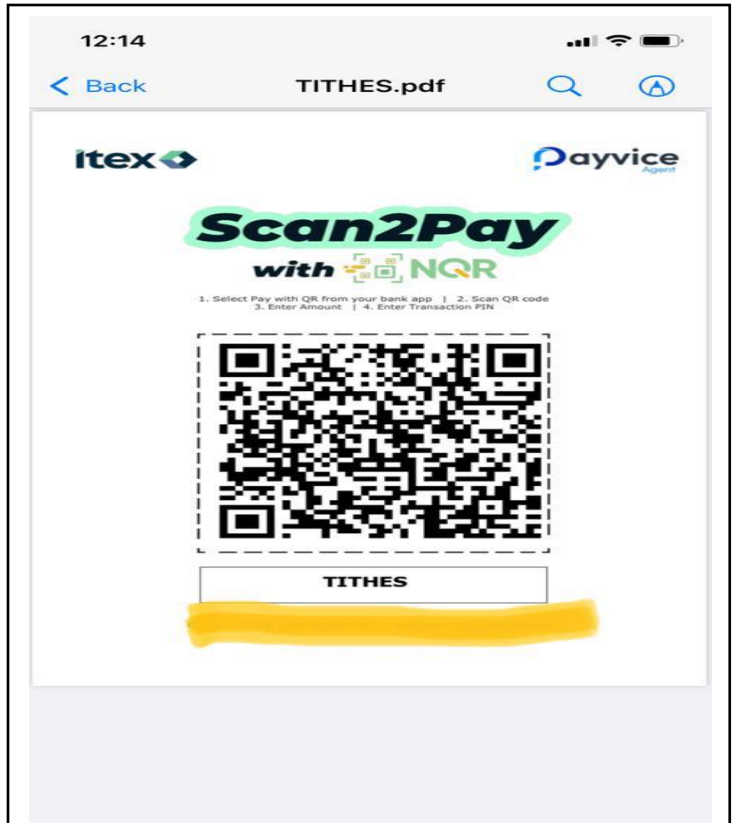
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22. AVMCC BANK ACCOUNTS DETAILS

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ACCESS	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	9200212515		
IBTC		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.

OUR VICTORY SHOUT

CALLER: GREATER WORKS
RESPONDER: WE SHALL DO
CALLER: WHAT SHALL WE DO
RESPONDER: GREATER WORKS
JOHN 14:12

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VESTRY ELECTION 2025

This year's Vestry Meeting and Elections will hold on Sunday 23rd February, 2025 after 10.00am Service. The following Offices will be contested for:

- i. Cathedral Warden (1)
- ii. Standing Committee Members (10)

Notes:

- (a) Each Society to nominate only ONE Candidate per position.
- (b) Ministries are not eligible to nominate any candidate.
- (c) Three people must nominate the candidature of the Cathedral Warden and Council. The FORM must be signed by the President & Secretary of the Society and one other member.
- (d) The form for nomination is available in the Cathedral Office.
- (e) Nomination closes by 2.00pm on Monday 3rd February, 2025.

Interested persons may wish to collect **Nomination Form** from the Cathedral Office as from today, Sunday, 5th January, 2025. Only **FINANCIAL & REGISTERED MEMBERS** of AVMCC can vote or be voted for. You must have paid your **Annual Dues (N7,500)** as at 31st Dec. 2024.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

KINDLY TAKE CARE OF YOUR BELONGINGS IN THE CHURCH PLS

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20. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHOIR

Arrangements has been made to start music classes to improve music literacy of Choristers and others who intend to join the choir. The classes has started. Time 9am – 12noon at the Chapel.

21. CONFIRMATION CLASS

Kindly register with Rev. Adefope Adetujoye on 0803-5552146. Thank you.

22. 2025 Intersociety Bible Quiz Competition.

The Books and Area of Study are:

1. The Book of Ezra
2. Galatians
3. 2025 Bible Study Outline (Jan-June)
4. History of AVMCC (The Chronicles)

B. 10.00 am MATTINS
Cantor: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju
O.T. Reading: Layreader Sola Peters
N.T. Reading: Layreader Nkiru Arah
Preacher: The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye
Intercessor: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 255

❖ Call to Worship

❖ Psalm 36 (*To be chanted*)

❖ O.T. Reading: Proverbs 2:1-9

❖ Hymn: CONH 546 (I)

❖ N.T. Reading: John 15:1-11

❖ Apostle's Creed - Collects

❖ Hymn: CONH 570

❖ SERMON

❖ Worship Songs

❖ Intercession – Grace

❖ The Offerings Choruses

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

❖ Thanksgiving

i. Family Altar Thanksgiving

ii. 70th birthday thanksgiving of Mrs Atinuke Aladesawe & God's numerous blessings.

iii. Annual Thanksgiving of Aniamaka Age Grade of Onitsha Lagos Branch & God's numerous blessings.

iv. 1st year remembrance for Late Mrs Patricia Enyioko (wife of Mr Maxwell Enyioko of Altar Server) & God's numerous blessings on the family she left behind.

❖ Doxology CONH 491

❖ Benediction

❖ Notices

❖ Diocesan Anthem

❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 551

C. 4.00pm – MOTHERS UNION
ANNUAL WAVE OF PRAYER

D. EVENTS AHEAD

1. DLW 1st Quarter Vigil – Friday, 21st February, 2025 at AVMCC at 10.00pm.
2. VESTRY MEETING – Sunday, 23rd February, 2025 after 10.00am Service
3. ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – Wed. 5th March, 2025 at 6.00pm.
4. Wardens & Account Officers Retreat – Saturday, 8th March, 2025 at Anglican Ascension, Opebi
5. Diocesan Women's Quiet Day – 8th March, 2025 at 8.00am.
6. Spiritual Conference – Organised by Christian Brothers – Saturday, 8th March, 2025 at 9.00am.
7. Collation of Mothers Union – Sunday, 16th March, 2025 at 2.00pm
8. MOTHERING SUNDAY – Sunday, 30th March, 2025.
9. Enrolment Service: Mothers Union – Sunday, 6th April, 2025 at 2.00pm.

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**D. AVMCC SPONSORSHIP OF 2025
EVENSONG BY SOCIETIES**

1. Sunday Feb. 9, 2025 – Apostles of Peace
2. Sunday Feb. 16, 2025 - Ascension Fellowship
3. Sunday Feb. 23, 2025 – Vestry Meeting
4. Sunday Mar. 2, 2025 - Ambassadors of Christ
5. Sunday Mar. 9, 2025 - Agape Sisters
6. Sunday Mar 16, 2025 - Collation of Mothers Union
7. Sunday Mar 23, 205 - Band of Faith
8. Sunday Mar. 30,2025 - Band of Grace
9. Sunday April 6, 2025 - Enrolment of Mothers Union
10. Sunday, April 13, 2025- Palm Sunday

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.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT

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

G. 7.00am & 10.00am - YOUTH SERVICE

Cantor: The Rev. Michael Obembe
Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe
Theme: The Power in the Gospel of Christ

- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 255
- ❖ Opening Praise & Worship
- ❖ Call to Worship
- ❖ Psalm 48: 1-8
- ❖ O.T. Reading: Proverbs 2:1-9
- ❖ N.T. Reading: John 15:1-11
- ❖ Apostle’s Creed – Collects
- ❖ Choir Ministration
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Intercession
- ❖ Offerings: Praises
(a) First Fruits (b) Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Offering
- ❖ Youth Anthem
- ❖ Notices



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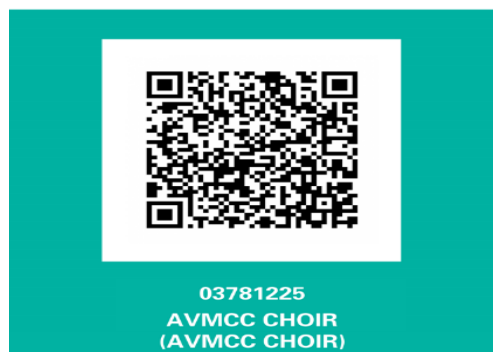
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18. CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

- 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.

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19. INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

OBITUARIES

1. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Ayodele Fadahunsi. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Wake Keep: On Thursday, 13th February, 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 14th February, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
2. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Emmanuel Adedeji Oyeneeye of Charity Band and Choir. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Service of Songs: On Wednesday, 19th February 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Commendation Service: On Thursday, 20th February, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
3. We announce the passing into glory of our Mother, Mrs Agnes Fawole of YWCA. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Wake Keep: On Thursday, 20th February, 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 21st February, 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.
4. We announce the passing into glory of our Father, Mr Oladiran Rufus. Burial arrangements are as follows:
Wake Keep: On Tuesday, 25th February, 2025 at no 57, Haruna Street, off College Road, Ogba, Lagos State at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 26st February, 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:
Service of Songs: On Thursday, 27th Feb. 2025 at Vining Hall at 4.00pm.
Funeral Service: On Friday, 28th Feb. 2025 at AVMCC at 9.00am.

- G. 6.00 pm. FAMILY EVENING
Cantor: *The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju*
Cantor: *Layreader Joy Nwadiugwu*
Preacher: *Layreader Helen Adewale*
Sponsor: *Apostles of Peace*
Organist: *Mr Muyiwa Olagoke*
- ❖ Processional Hymn: CONH 397
 - ❖ Call to Worship
 - ❖ Praise Worship
 - ❖ Lesson: 1 Cor. 1:18-2:5- *Apostles of Peace*
 - ❖ Hymn: CONH 590
 - ❖ Short Exhortation & Prayer
 - ❖ Offerings Choruses
(a) First Fruit (b Tithes, Building, Covenant Seed & Sunday Offering
 - ❖ Thanksgiving
 - ❖ Closing Prayer
 - ❖ Withdrawal Hymn: CONH 458

2. SENTENCES FOR EPIPHANY V

Introductory Sentence

I am the light of the world, says the Lord, those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of the life. **John 8:12.**

Collect:

Give us, Lord we pray, the Spirit to think and to do always those things that are right: that we who can do no good things without You may have power to live according to Your will through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion Sentence

He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. **John 15:5.**

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



**3. PRAYER POINTS FOR TODAY – SUNDAY,
9TH FEBRUARY, 2025**

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 for grace and strength in their shepherding work.
- ii. For the Rt. Revd. Uriah Ndakolo Kolo, his family and all members of the Diocese of Doko.

B. Prayer for Nigeria & the World

- i. *Pray that the Lord of Host in His mercies will on account of His elects and remnants in Nigeria frustrate every raging from the pit of hell and all evil counsels, gang-ups and schemes in form of Boko Haram, Herdsmen and Islamization agenda so that Christianity in Nigeria will never go the way of TURKEY nor NORTH AFRICA in Jesus Name. Amen.*
- ii. Pray that kidnapping and killings shall be a thing of the past in Nigeria.
- iii. Pray that God shall expose monsters behind the wickedness going on in the world.
- iv Pray for peace of all Nations of the world.

C. Prayer for AVMCC

- i. Pray for spirit of humility among our members
- ii. Pray that we shall not lack help as we continue our journey in February.
- iii. Pray for grace to constantly hear the voice of God as the sheep of His pasture.

D. Prayers for individual Families within the AVMCC Household

Akideinde Family, Akindiya Family, Akinmade Family, Akindolire Family, Akinfolarin Family, Akingbade Family, Akinhanmi Family, Akinjayeju Family, Akinkola Family, Akinkoye Family.

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

- i. For Miss Teniola Idowu, Mr Martin Oguntade, Dr (Mrs) Chika Okudo, Engr. Adeniyi Olowoniyi, Mr Matilda Oriuwa, Mr Chinedu Wogu, Mr Abayomi Adekunbi, Master Chinecherem Nwoye, Chief Sofoluke Solanke. 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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17. **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 crèche	=	47,800



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.

16. VACANCIES

(A) **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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WITHDRAWAL HYMN FOR 10.00AM
CONH 551

- 1 "For my sake and the Gospel's go,
And tell Redemption's story;"
His heralds answer, "Be it so
And Thine Lord, all the glory!"
They preached His birth, His life and cross,
The love of His atonement
For Whom they count the world but loss,
His Easter, His enthronement.
2. Hark, hark the trump of Jubilee
Proclaim to every nation,
From pole to pole, by land and sea,
Glad tidings of salvation;
As nearer draws the day of doom;
While still the battle rages,
The heavenly Dayspring through the gloom
Break on the night of ages.
3. Still on and on the anthems spread
Of alleluia voices.
In concert with the holy Dead
The warrior Church rejoices;
Their snow-white robes are washed in blood
Their golden harps are ringing;
Earth and the Paradise of God
One triumph song are singing.
4. He comes, Whose advent trumpet drowns
The last of Time's evangels.
Immanuel crowned with many crowns,
The Lord of saints and angels:
O Life, Light, Love The Great I AM,
Triune who changes never,
The throne of God and of the Lamb
Is Thine and Thine for ever! Amen.

4. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 2025

THEME: THE POWER IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

READING: PSALM 36; PROVERBS 2:1-9; 1
CORINTHIANS 2:1-11; JOHN 15:1-11

Introduction:

In today's world, power is often associated with wealth, influence, or physical strength. However, in the realm of Christianity, true power is found in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Apostle Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, speaks of the power of the Gospel in a way that challenges the wisdom of the world. He emphasises that the Gospel is not about human eloquence but the mighty demonstration of the Spirit and of God's power. Jesus, in His teaching in John 15, also illustrates how the power of the Gospel is found in abiding in Him, remaining connected to Him as the true vine. Together, these texts reveal the profound truth that the Gospel is not just a message to be heard, but a power to be experienced and a life to be lived in union with Christ.

1. The Gospel as the Power of God for Salvation (Romans 1:16)

In 1 Corinthians 2:4-5, Paul writes: *"And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God."* Here, Paul speaks to the reality that the Gospel is not just a message; it is the power of God for salvation. Romans 1:16 underscores this powerful truth: *"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."*

The Gospel carries within it the transformative power of God. When we speak of the power in the Gospel, we must remember that it has the power to save. It is through the Gospel (the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ) that humanity is rescued from the power of sin and death. The message of the cross, though seemingly foolish to the world, is the greatest demonstration of God's power to redeem humanity. In 1 Corinthians 1:18, Paul states, *"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."* For the believer, the cross represents the victory over sin and the means by which we are brought into a restored relationship with God.

2. The Gospel as a Source of Life and Transformation (2 Corinthians 5:17)

The Gospel is not just a declaration of salvation but also a source of new life. In 2 Corinthians 5:17, Paul writes: *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."* This new life is the result of the power of the Gospel. It is not through our own strength or abilities that we experience change, but through the transforming work of the Holy Spirit, which comes through the Gospel.

John 15:1-2, where Jesus speaks about Himself as the true vine, highlights the necessity of abiding in Him to bear fruit: *"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit."* When we are united with Christ through faith, His power flows through us, and we become new creations, able to bear fruit in keeping with His will. Apart from Him, we can do nothing



3. The Role of the Holy Spirit in the Power of the Gospel (John 15:26-27)

In 1 Corinthians 2:4, Paul refers to his preaching being in "demonstration of the Spirit and of power." This highlights the work of the Holy Spirit in making the Gospel alive and powerful in our lives. The Holy Spirit plays a crucial role in both the proclamation and reception of the Gospel.

In John 15:26-27, Jesus tells His disciples: *"But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning."* The Holy Spirit not only empowers believers to proclaim the Gospel but also enables them to understand and receive its message. He convicts the world of sin and points people to Jesus Christ. Without the Holy Spirit, the Gospel would remain a distant truth to us, but He makes it real, powerful, and transformative in our lives.

In Romans 8:11, Paul states: *"But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you."* This is the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead, and He is at work within every believer, giving life and power to our mortal bodies. Through the Holy Spirit, the power of the Gospel continues to work in us, making us more like Christ and empowering us to live out the truths of the Gospel daily.

4. Abiding in Christ: The Power to Bear Fruit (John 15:4-5)

In John 15:4-5, Jesus gives an essential lesson about the power of the Gospel in our lives:

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." The power of the Gospel is not just in the initial salvation experience but in the ongoing relationship with Christ. Abiding in Christ means remaining in close fellowship with Him, allowing His life to flow through us. This relationship with Christ is where we find the power to live the Christian life, bear fruit, and fulfil God's purposes.

Jesus emphasizes the necessity of abiding—of staying connected to Him—because, without this connection, we can do nothing of eternal value. The power in the Gospel is not merely something that happens once when we are saved; it is the continuous power of Christ in us, enabling us to bear spiritual fruit. In Galatians 5:22-23, Paul describes the fruit that comes from abiding in Christ: *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."* These fruits are evidence of the power of the Gospel at work in our lives. As we remain in Christ, the Holy Spirit produces this fruit in us, making us more like Jesus.

5. The Ultimate Goal of the Gospel: A Deepened Relationship with God (John 15:9-11)

The power of the Gospel ultimately leads to a deeper, more intimate relationship with God. Jesus, in John 15:9-11, says: *"As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My*

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 3.00pm
- 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.
- ii. Please send names of sick and shut-in Elders to the Coordinator Elderly Ministry or the Cathedral office for visitation.
- iii. 2025 Bible Quiz Book – The Book of Zechariah

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



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 interview into Lagos Anglican Bible College (LABICO) takes place on Saturday, 22nd February, 2025 at 10.00am at LABICO Office, 17 Broad Street, Lagos. Please obtain your admission 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 N15,000. Payment should be made into Union Bank Acct NO 0002516850. Account Name: Lagos Anglican Schools Management Board and Collect the form at the Cathedral Office and submit to the school of your choice.

14. MINISTRIES & FELLOWSHIPS

A. Children's Ministry

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

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

joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full."The ultimate purpose of the Gospel is not just to change our circumstances or give us eternal life; it is to bring us into a close, personal relationship with God. Through the Gospel, we are invited into the love of Christ, and as we abide in Him, we experience His joy and peace. This joy is not dependent on external factors but is a deep, abiding joy that comes from knowing Christ and living in His love.

6. The Power of the Gospel to Overcome the World (John 16:33)

One of the remarkable powers of the Gospel is its ability to help believers overcome the challenges and adversities of this world. In John 16:33, Jesus declares, *"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."*The power in the Gospel equips us to live victoriously, even in the face of trials. Jesus knew the struggles His followers would face in this world; persecution, hardship, sorrow, and opposition. Yet, He assured them that through Him, they could overcome.

The Gospel brings peace into the heart of the believer, not peace as the world defines it, but a deep, abiding peace rooted in the victory that Christ has already won over sin, death, and the world. In Romans 8:37, Paul affirms this truth: *"Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."* Our victory is not based on our own strength, but in Christ's power working in us. By abiding in Christ and holding firm to the Gospel, we can face every circumstance with courage, knowing that Christ has already overcome the world. This victory is both a present reality and a future hope. In this way, the Gospel empowers believers to endure, to press on, and to remain steadfast in faith.

7. The Power of the Gospel to Reconcile Us to God and to Each Other (Eph. 2:13-18)

Another vital aspect of the power of the Gospel is its ability to reconcile us not only to God but also to one another. Sin separated humanity from God and created divisions among people, but through the Gospel, both vertical (between God and humanity) and horizontal (between individuals) reconciliation is made possible.

In Ephesians 2:13-18, Paul writes: *"But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity."*The power of the Gospel goes beyond just personal salvation; it extends to reconciliation within the body of Christ. Jesus tore down the dividing walls between Jew and Gentile, and through His death, He created a new humanity, one where all believers, regardless of their backgrounds, are united in Him.

The Gospel is a message of unity. The church is called to embody this reconciliation, living out the message of peace and love with one another. This unity is not only an internal blessing but also a powerful testimony to the world of the transforming power of the Gospel. Jesus Himself prayed in John 17:21, "That they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me." The unity of the church is a living testimony to the power of the Gospel to bring people together, no matter how divided the world may be.

Conclusion:

The Gospel of Christ is the most powerful force in the universe. It is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16), the power to transform lives (2 Corinthians 5:17), the power to bear fruit (John 15:4-5), and the power to lead us into a deeper relationship with God (John 15:9-11), The Power of the Gospel to Overcome the World (John 16:33), The Power of the Gospel to Reconcile Us to God and to Each Other (Eph. 2:13-18). As we consider the power in the Gospel, let us not merely recognise it as a message to be heard but as a power to be experienced daily in our lives. By abiding in Christ and relying on the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to

6. ATTENDANCE FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

February 2 – February 8, 2025

7.00 am Holy Communion	778
7.00 am Youth Service	230
7.00 am Sunday School	356
10.00 am Mattins	698
10.00 am Youth Service	213
10.00 am Sunday School	287
Tuesday Bible Study	89
Wednesday Holy Communion	143
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	85

7. MEETINGS THIS WEEK

The following Societies will meet immediately in the Church

after service:

- *Anglican Fellowship*
- *Ambassadors of Christ Society*
- *Apostles of Peace*
- *Busy Bees Society*
- *Band of Mercy Executive*
- *Charity Band*
- *Christian Family Society*
- *Christian Household Society*
- *Light of the World*
- *Lords Labourers Fellowship*
- *Y.M.C.A*
- *Y.W.C.A.*

8. CATHEDRAL ROSTER

A. Cathedral Health Centre

i. Personnel on Duty this Sunday, 9th Feb., 2025

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. B. Ibidapo-Obe, Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm. Chie Nwerri, Mrs Nkiru Arah, Mrs Gina Okolo.

10.00am-2.00pm: Dr. Remi Oladapo-Sanu, Pharm Y. Olorunsola, Mrs E. Osibajo, Dr. Nike Odusina.

ii. Personnel on Duty Next Sunday 16th February, 2025

7.00a.m-10.00am: Dr. M. Akinlemibola, Pharm. Deji Osinoiki, Pharm Mrs Yomi Osinoiki, Mrs Nkiru Arah.

10.00am-2.00pm: Prof. I. Akinsete, Dr. Arinze Onubogu, Pharm Ranti Adedeji, Sis. Nike Adefila, Mrs Olufunke Olatunji

B. Security & Traffic Control

i. Sunday 9th Feb. - Saturday, 15th Feb. 2025

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 16th Feb. - Saturday, 22nd Feb., 2025

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 Okeke, Anthony Oluwole, Afemi Okeke

11. SUMMARY OF SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Septuagesima February 16

Theme: God: The Righteous Judge

Colour: Green

7.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

7TH ANNIVERSARY OF APOSTLES OF PEACE

Celebrant: The Dean

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-13

Apostles of Peace

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

The Rev. Fikayo

Adenle

Preacher: The Diocesan

THE YOUTH SERVICE

Venue: The Adetiloye House

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe

10.00 am: HOLY COMMUNION

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS ANNIVERSARY

Celebrant: The Dean

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-13

Christian Friends

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

The Rev. Fikayo

Adenle

Preacher: The Diocesan

6.00 pm: EVENSONG

Cantor: Layreader Success Okeke

Psalm: 73

Lesson: Mark 4:1-20

Preacher: Layreader Yemisi Agbaniyaka

12. BANNES OF MARRIAGE

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

2nd NOTICE:

1. *Mr Ben Akachukwu & Miss Rose Alli*

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



Friday, February 14, 2025 Colour: Green
7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Restoration affirmed

Celebrant: The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere

Epistle: Isaiah 10:20-34 -Lay. Esther Randle

Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

Hymns: CONH 116, CONH 810, CONH 821

Preacher: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Akinpelu Johnson, his family and all members of the Diocese of Lagos Mainland.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Nathaniel Oladejo Ogundipe, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ifo.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Ngozi Anozie, Mrs Elizabeth Diji, Mr Nkechi Ezeagu, Mr Valentine Madu, Mrs Nkoli Nwosu, Mrs Adetoro Akinseye, Miss Stella Ugochukwu, Mrs Achonwa Ebere, Mrs Valentine Nwabueze, Miss Ngozi Eze, Mrs Joy Onwuemeli, Mrs Obiageri Oliver, Mrs Adeyinka Bonojo, Lady Damilola Musiliu, Mr Oladele Fadola, Mrs Deborah Elekeokwuri, Mr Godwin Ijebulem.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Akunne Family, Akuwudike Family, Akwudo Family, Akwueh Family, Alabi Family, Alabuike Family, Aladesawe Family, Aladese Family, Alale Family, Albert-Faranjopo Family.

9.00am Funeral Service
for Late Mr Ayodele Fadahunsi

6.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday, February 15, 2025 Colour: Green
7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: The Future millennial kingdom

Celebrant: The Rev. Fikayo Adenle

Epistle: Isaiah 11:1-16 – Lay. Nathan Eze

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Hymns: CONH 123, CONH 397, CONH 473

Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Samuel Oludele Ogundeji, his family and all members of Diocese of Egba West.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. J. Akinwande Atere, his family and all members of the Diocese of Awori.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Miss Unoma Azike, Mr Maxwell Enyioko, Barr. Chris Onyemelukwe, Mr Adetayo Opadiran, Olorunnifemi Oyenuga, Mr Obinna Ezeanzie, Mrs Elsie Obayemi, Mr Ozichukwu Nwizu.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Aleyideino Family, Alfred Family, Ali Family, Alliu Family, Alo Family, Alofe Family, Alonge Family, Alozie Family, Alozie-Nsiri Family, Alozie-Nsirimobi Family.

3.00 pm Youth Fellowship

4.00 pm Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade

4.00 pm Baptism

9. LIST OF CENTERS FOR HOME CELL FELLOWSHIP

S/N	NAMES	LOCATIONS	PHONE NO
1.	SIS. SUCCESS	VINING	08170342970
2.	LADY GINA OKOLO	MANGORO	08033235796
3.	SIS. AMARACHUCKWU	IKEJA	08127786418
4.		CEMENT	08038503506
5.	BARR. OKEY OGBU	IYANA PAJA	08023192145
7.	MR. I. O. ODENIRAN	OPEBI	08023096565
8.	MRS. AKINROTIMI	ABORU	08022791113 08134382592
9.	MRS. ALOFE	IJAIYE	08034857240
10.	BRO. MAYOKUN	ANIFOWOSE	08069530744
11.	SIS. OBUM OSY-ONYEKWELU	MARYLAND CRESCENT	08036684298
12.	VICTOR ADENUOYE	FAGBA	08069206291
13.	RTD. COL. C.O. AJALA	54, NEW IPAJA ROAD	08081654907
14.	CHINYERE UMEALO	OREGUN	08033052131



10. ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 10, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: Jesus, the light of the world

Ante Communion: Layreader Remi Onabolu

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

Epistle: Isaiah 9:1-7 – *Lay. G. Odukamaiya*

Gospel: Mark 9:30-41

Hymns: *CONH 118, CONH 570, CONH 1242*

Preacher: Layreader Teju Akindolire

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Ifedola Okupevi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Lagos.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Emmanuel Adekunle, his family and all members of the Diocese of Egba.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: The Ven. Olugbenga Oniye, Mrs Olusola Ibidapo-Obe, Mr Gabirle Akokwu, Mrs Olayinka Olaide, Mr Nonso Anigbogu, Mr Chemazu Chukwuemeka, Mr Audy Anthony, Mr Livinus Asanha, Mr Ndukwe Nlemadim, Mr Oluwasimbo Odunubi, Mrs Olusola Ogunmoyero, Mrs Olabisi Aguda, Mr Tolulope Kupoluyi.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Akinkugbe Family, Akinlade Family, Akinlemibola Family, Akinnawo Family, Akinnifesi Family, Akinniyi Family, Akinniran Family, Akinyoye Family, Akintobi Family, Akinola Family.

12noon Social Welfare Ministry

6.30pm CHOIR PRACTICE

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: God's judgement on Israel

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Obembe

Epistle: Isaiah 9:8-21 - *Lay. Obiageli Achonye*

Gospel: Mark 9:42-50

Hymns: *CONH 16, CONH 431, CONH 877*

Preacher: The Rev. Yinka Akinpeju

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Peter Oludipe, his family and all members of Province of Ijebu.
- ❖ For the Most Revd. Dr. Michael O. Fape, his family and all members of Province of Remo.
- ❖ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Mrs Kelechi Okagbue, Mrs Jekiri Emilina, Mr Ugochukwu Ibeabuchi, Mr Udoka Igwe, Mr Chinonso Iheanacho, Mrs Nkiruka Ibeh, Mrs Lilian Ikokwu, Mr Benjamin Obiakalusi, Mr Omobayode Ketiku, Mrs Ezinwanne Madu, Mrs Amala Onwusika, Miss Oreoluwa Oyedapo, Mrs Olunmi Adebisi, Mrs Rita Egbo, Mrs Nancy Obi.
- ❖ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Akinrimisi Family, Akinrolabu Family, Akinronbi Family, Akinrosotu Family, Akinrotimi Family, Akinsanmi Family, Akinsanya Family, Akinsete Family, Akinseye Family, Akin-Sodipo Family.

5.00pm - 6.00pm BIBLE STUDY PREVIEW

5.00pm - 6.00pm Intercessory Prayer

6.00pm BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: God's judgement upon the land

Celebrant: The Ven. Azubike Ahubelem

Epistle: Isaiah 10:1-4 - *Lay. D. Imarhiagbe*

Gospel: II Timothy 15:2:13

Hymns: *CONH 928, CONH 503, CONH 834*
CONH 455.

Preacher: *The Dean*

Prayer Point

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. James Odedeji, his family and all members of the Diocese of Lagos West.
- ❖ For the Rt. Rev. Michael Adebayo, his family and all members of the Diocese of Yewa.
- ♦ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Chief (Mrs) Olufunmilayo Ogunbadejo, Mr Darlington Enyi-Okoro, Mr Lloyd Maduneme, Mr Kennedy Chiaghanam, Hon. Justice Omotola Oguntola, Miss Omolola Dairo, Mr Daniel Ogbeide, Mr Ogechukwu Ndukwe, Miss Blessing Owolabi, Mr Joseph Odiachi, Mr Kennedy Ojo, Mrs Victoria Okunna, Mr Emeka Oramadike, Mrs Nkiru Igbokwe, Mr Oladipupo Onabajo, Mr Adewale Onile-Ere.
- ♦ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Akinsote Family, Akintaju Family, Akintemi Family, Akintomide Family, Akintunde Family, Akinwande Family, Akinware Family, Akinremi Family, Akinyemi Family, Akobe Family.

8.00am Vining Intercessor's Visitation

6.00pm PRAYER MEETING

THEME: BE STRONG IN THE LORD
(Eph. 6:10)

Thursday, February 13, 2025 Colour: Green

7.00am Holy Communion

Theme: God opposes the proud

Celebrant: *The Rev. Adefope Adetujoye*

Epistle: Isaiah 10:5-19 - *Lay. Y. Agbaniyaka*

Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

Hymns: *CONH 124, CONH 608, CONH 603*

Preacher: *The Ven. Dr. Benjamin Okere*

Prayer Points:

- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Babatunde Adeyemi, his family and all members of the Diocese of Badagry.
- ❖ For the Rt. Revd. Dr. Godwin Odubena, his family and all members of the Diocese of Ijebu- North.
- ♦ For these members of the Cathedral who are celebrating their Birthdays today: Chief Funso Ologunde, Mr Dipo Yusuff, Mr Ebenezer Olaniyi, Mazi Sam Ajagu, Master Nifemi Bamgbade, Mr Joe Azike, Miss Abiola Ogunsanya, Barr. Femi Ojumu, Miss Chiebuka Obumselu, Mrs Ifeoma Okebata, Engr. Ibeh Nkemdilim, Miss Sopefoluwa Opayemi, Mr Sanya Shobowale, Mrs Kehinde Uzebu, Mrs Munachi Ononiwu, Mrs Gladys Imoh, Mr Oluwaseun Kikiowo, Mrs Tolulope Adeyoola.
- ♦ For these individual Families within the AVMCC Household: Akobi Family, Akogu Family, Akokwu Family, Akosile Family, Akparanta Family, Akpata Family, Akpomiemie Family, Akubueze Family, Akuihe Family, Akujor Family.
- ♦ 80th Birthday thanksgiving of Dr. (Mrs) Oyin Ilo.

4.00pm Wake Keep Service

for Late Mr Ayedele Edehunsin – Vining Hall



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 Gashem sent unto me

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).

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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.

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

