

# The Sunday Emmaus

Series: The Church; 30th Sunday In ordinary Time, Year B;

27th October 2024

St. Pauls Catholic Parish &  
University of Nairobi Chaplaincy

## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday:

Morning: 7.00am

Evening: 5.30pm

Wednesday: 6.00pm

Saturday:

Evening: 5.45pm

**Sunday Mass:**

7.30am – Community

8.00am – State House Girls

8.30am – Nairobi Primary

9.00am – Students Mass

9.00am – State House Mass

11.30am – Community Mass

– PMC Mass

– Youth Mass

5.30pm – Community Mass

## CONFESSION

Monday – Friday: 5.00pm

Wednesday 5.30pm

Saturday: 5.15pm

## MINISTERS

- Rev. Fr. John Wamuti,  
Fr. In-charge
- Rev. Fr. Stephen Gaitho,  
Assistant Parish Priest
- Rev. Fr. Peter Kaigua,  
The Chaplain –Students
- Rev. Fr. Gerald Wanjara  
The Chaplain–Police.

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deut 6:2-6

Psalms 18:2-3a, 3bc—4.47&51b

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

## ADORATION

Tuesday & Thursday 4.30pm



## OUR SUNDAY REFLECTION ...



### World Priest Day

Today we are celebrating world priest day, we celebrate all our priests who are serving us and our sons. They dedicate their life to serve humanity in their noble vocation. The 2nd reading reminds us of their sacrifice, they celebrate mass for the forgiveness of their sins and our sins. It is also a reminder that we share in the common priesthood. Thus share in the promise; you are my son, today I have begotten you.



#### A loving Father

Sometimes we are scattered, we are lost. He gathers us back to Himself as a brood gathers her chicks under her wings. With all our struggles in life, when we look back, at first we thought we were dreaming, then we are filled with laughter and gladness (psalm) we say ni Mungu ametufikisha mahali tulipo.



#### The call

From it we take heed to the call of Jeremiah, we sing aloud with gladness for he has saved us. And join the psalmist of the day to sing: he has done great deeds for us. Not because we merited but because of his merciful love.

For us to continue receiving this Gratiuous grace we need not to be ashamed of our wickedness and our situations, just like the Bartimeus did, carry our shame and call unto him. Hi mercy is always sufficient for us. But to receive all these, we need faith.

By Rev. Fr. Gerald Wanjara





**Let us pray:** All honor and glory to you, Lord our God, maker of all and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In your faithfulness and love, you sent your only Son to live with us and to save us by giving his life for us.

Today we offer you thanks and praise for choosing our dear Priests to be filled with the Spirit of Jesus as they lead your flock with zeal and wisdom. We ask you to give them your choicest blessing in their priestly Ministry. Help them to serve others as generously as Jesus did, in times of sorrow and in times of joy.

Saving God, bless our dear Priests, so that they may instruct us through teachings, nourish us with your word, inspire us by their obedience to their call, and encourage us by deed and action for the good of our Parish.

Loving God be close to your servants, as they follow your Son. Guide them in paths that are level and smooth.

May your powerful grace make them strong in faith, joyful in hope, and fervent in love, this day and every day to come. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**



## The Mass

### THE ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the LORD rejoice;  
Turn to the LORD and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

### THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, And on earth  
peace to people of goodwill.

We praise you, we bless you, We adore  
you, we glorify you, We give you thanks  
for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly

King, O God, almighty Father,  
Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, son of the father,  
You take away the sins of the world, Have  
mercy on us  
You take away the sins of the world, Receive  
our prayer  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
Have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are  
the Lord, You alone are the most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of  
God the Father. **Amen.**

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## THEME

GOD's gift of faith to us helps us to see the world with a new vision. Christ renews our faith so that we may see more clearly the world in which we live. We are GOD's children and share in Christ's priesthood and must never lose sight of this great privilege which has been given to us.



### FIRST READING | Jeremiah 31:7-9

**“With consolations I will lead them back, among them the blind and the lame.”**

Thus says the Lord: “Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, ‘The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel.’ Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her who is in travail, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born.”

**The word of the Lord**

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**126:1-2ab.2cd-3.4-5.6 (R. 3)**

**[R] What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad**

- 1.** When the Lord brought back the exiles of Sion, we thought we were dreaming. Then was our mouth filled with laughter; on our tongues, songs of joy. [R]
- 2.** Then the nations themselves said, “What great deeds the Lord worked for them!” What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad. [R]
- 3.** Bring back our exiles, O Lord, as streams in the south. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap [R]

- 4.** They go out, they go out, full of tears, bearing seed for the sowing; they come back, they come back with a song, bearing their sheaves. [R]



### SECOND READING | Hebrews 5: 1-6

**“You are a priest for ever according to the order of Melchizedek.”**

Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honour upon himself, but he is ‘called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

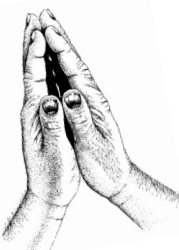
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## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Our Saviour Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel. **Alleluia!**





**“The Son of man came to give his life as a ransom for many.**

At that time: As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he

cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; rise, he is calling you.” And throwing off his cloak he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Master, let me receive my sight.” And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



## Community Announcements

- 1. Mass animation and service:** We thank Ushers and Helpers for their good service today. Next Sunday 11.30 am mass will be animated by St. Jude SCC.
- 2. Catechesis:** Infant Baptism registration is on-going at the parish office.
- 3. Self-help group:** The Management of St. Paul's Self-Help Group wishes to notify the St. Paul's Catholic Chapel & Parish Community that we will be conducting an account opening activation on Sunday 3rd November 2024 during the three Masses. Come with copies of your ID & KRA Pin Certificate to open a general Member Account and copy of birth certificate for Little Angel's Account and for all church groups and SCC's, you are invited to open a Jumuiya Account.
- 4. Offering for mass intentions, wine & host:** All Christians are encouraged to utilize our Paybill number when placing their Mass intentions at the parish office. Groups and Small Christian Communities are also urged to use the same when making payments for wine and host.  
For mass intentions - Use paybill number **522337**, Account: **Mass intention**  
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