



St. John Mary Vianney

# Bulletin



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## Catholic Archdiocese of Abuja

ST. JOHN MARY VIANNEY PARISH

KUBWA



*As the Lord blesses me, I will  
build for the Lord*



Endeavour to come to the house of God with a decent heart, and a decent dress.

Praying & Loving Family, Win Souls for God!

## First Reading

### A reading from the Book of Isaiah (Isaiah 62:1-5)

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest until her vindication goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name which the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My delight is in her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

### The word of the Lord!

## Responsorial Psalm

### Psalm 96

**R. Tell among all the people the wonders of the Lord.**

O sing a new song to the Lord; Sing to the Lord, all the earth, O sing to the Lord; bless his name. **R.**

Proclaim his salvation day by day. Tell among the nations his glory, and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. **R.**

Worship the Lord in holy splendour. O tremble before him, all the earth. Say to the nations, "The Lord is king. "He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R.**

## Second Reading

### A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 12:4-11)

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the

interpretation of tongues. All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

### The word of the Lord!

#### *Alleluia*

#### **Thessalonians 2:14**

**Alleluia.** God has called us through the Gospel, to obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia.**

#### *Gospel*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (John 2:1-11)**

There was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what is that to you or to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the

feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

### The Gospel of the Lord!

## M O N D A Y

**20th January, 2025**

#### *First Reading*

#### **A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 5:1-10)**

Brothers and sisters: Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No

one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him: You are my Son: this day I have begotten you; just as he says in another place, You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. In the days when he was in the Flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

**The word of the Lord!**

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### **Psalm 110**

**R. You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.**

The LORD said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool." **R.**

The scepter of your power the LORD will stretch forth from Zion: "Rule in the midst of your enemies." **R.**

"Yours is princely power in the day of your birth, in holy splendor; before the daystar, like the dew, I have begotten you." **R.**

The LORD has sworn, and he will not repent: "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." **R.**

### *Alleluia*

#### **Hebrews 4:12**

**Alleluia.** The word of God is living and effective, able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart. **Alleluia.**

### *Gospel*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 2:18-22)**

The disciples of John and of the Pharisees were accustomed to fast. People came to Jesus and objected, "Why do the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" Jesus answered them, "Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them they cannot fast. But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day. No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak. If he does, its fullness pulls away, the new from the old,



and the tear gets worse. Likewise, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the skins are ruined. Rather, new wine is poured into fresh wineskins."

### The Gospel of the Lord!

## T U E S D A Y

21st January, 2025

### *First Reading*

#### A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 6:10-20)

Brethren: God is not so unjust as to overlook your work and the love which you showed for his sake in serving the saints, as you still do. And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness in realising the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises. For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when

God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever according to the order of Melchizedek.

### The word of the Lord!

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### Psalm 111

#### **R. The Lord keeps his covenant ever in mind.**

I will praise the Lord with all my heart, in the meeting of the just and the assembly. Great are the works of the Lord, to be pondered by all who delight in them. **R.**

He has given us a memorial of his wonders. The Lord is gracious and merciful. He gives food to those who fear him; keeps his covenant ever in mind. **R.**

He has sent redemption to his people, and established his covenant forever.

Holy his name, to be feared. His praise endures forever! **R.**

## Alleluia

### Ephesians 1:17-18

**Alleluia.** May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might know what is the hope to which he has called us. **Alleluia.**

## Gospel

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 2:23-28)

It happened that one sabbath Jesus was going through the grain fields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. And the Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the showbread, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" And he said to them, "The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath; so the Son of man is lord even of the sabbath."

### The Gospel of the Lord!

# W E D N E S D A Y

22nd January, 2025

## First Reading

### A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 7: 1-3, 15-17)

Brethren: Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him; and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace. He is without father or mother or genealogy, and has neither beginning of days nor end of life, but resembling the Son of God he continues a priest for ever. This becomes even more evident when another priest arises in the likeness of Melchizedek, who has become a priest, not according to a legal requirement concerning bodily descent but by the power of an indestructible life. For it is witnessed of him, "You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

### The word of the Lord!

## Responsorial Psalm

### Psalm 110

**R. You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.**

The Lord's revelation to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your foes your footstool." **R.**

The Lord will send from Sion your sceptre of power: rule in the midst of your foes. **R.**

With you is princely rule on the day of your power. In holy splendour, from the womb before the dawn, I have begotten you. **R.**

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change: "You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek." **R.**

withered hand, "Come here." And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out, and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

**The Gospel of The Lord!**

## THURSDAY

**23rd January, 2025**

*Alleluia*

**Matthew 4:23**

**Alleluia.** Jesus was preaching the Gospel of the kingdom and healing every infirmity among the people. **Alleluia.**

*Gospel*

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 3:1-6)**

At that time: Again Jesus entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. And they watched him, to see whether he would heal him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the

*First Reading*

**A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (Hebrews 7:25 - 8:6)**

Brethren: Jesus is able for all time to save those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. Indeed, the law

appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord. For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; hence it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer. Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly sanctuary; for when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern which was shown you on the mountain." But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry which is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.

### The word of the Lord!

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### **Psalm 40**

**R. See, I have come, Lord, to do your will.**

You delight not in sacrifice and offerings, but in an open ear. You do not ask for

holocaust and victim. Then I said, "See, I have come." **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written of me: "I delight to do your will, O my God; your instruction lies deep within me." **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. **R.**

.O let there be rejoicing and gladness for all who seek you. Let them ever say, "The Lord is great," who long for your salvation. **R.**

### *Alleluia*

#### **2 Timothy 1: 10**

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

### *Gospel*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 3:7-12)**

At that time: Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great multitude from Galilee followed; also from Judea and Jerusalem and Idumea and from beyond the Jordan and from about Tyre and Sidon a great multitude, hearing all that he did,



came to him. And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they should crush him; for he had healed many, so that all who had diseases pressed upon him to touch him. And whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, "You are the Son of God." And he strictly ordered them not to make him known.

**The Gospel of The Lord!**

**F R I D A Y**

**24th January, 2025**

*First Reading*

**A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews  
(Hebrews 8:6-13)**

Brethren: As it is, Christ has obtained a ministry which is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion for a second. For he finds fault with them when he says: "The days will come, says the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to

lead them out of the land of Egypt; for they did not continue in my covenant, and so I paid no heed to them, says the Lord. This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall not teach every one his fellow or every one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord.' for all shall know me, from the least of them to the greatest. For I will be merciful towards their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more." In speaking of a new covenant he treats the first as obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

**The word of The Lord!**

*Responsorial Psalm*

**Psalm 85**

**R. Merciful love and faithfulness have met.**

Let us see, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation. His salvation is near for those who fear him, and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Merciful love and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have kissed. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth, and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

Also the LORD will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase. Justice will march before him, and guide his steps on the way. **R.**

### *Alleluia*

**Alleluia.** God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. **Alleluia.**

### *Gospel*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 3:13-19)**

At that time: Jesus went up on the mountain, and called to him those whom he desired; and they came to him. And he appointed twelve, to be with him, and to be sent out to preach and have authority to cast out demons: Simon whom he surnamed Peter; James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James, whom he surnamed Boanerges, that is, sons of thunder; Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

**The Gospel of the Lord!**

## S A T U R D A Y

**25th January, 2025**

### *First Reading*

#### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 9:1-22)**

Saul, still breathing murderous threats against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, that, if he should find any men or women who belonged to the Way, he might bring them back to Jerusalem in chains. On his journey, as he was nearing Damascus, a light from the sky suddenly flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" He said, "Who are you, sir?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city and you will be told what you must do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, for they heard the voice but could see no one. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him to Damascus. For three days he was unable to see, and he neither ate nor drank. There was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias, and the Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight and ask

at the house of Judas for a man from Tarsus named Saul. He is there praying, and in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him, that he may regain his sight.” But Ananias replied, “Lord, I have heard from many sources about this man, what evil things he has done to your holy ones in Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to imprison all who call upon your name.” But the Lord said to him, “Go, for this man is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before Gentiles, kings, and children of Israel, and I will show him what he will have to suffer for my name.” So Ananias went and entered the house; laying his hands on him, he said, “Saul, my brother, the Lord has sent me, Jesus who appeared to you on the way by which you came, that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” Immediately things like scales fell from his eyes and he regained his sight. He got up and was baptized, and when he had eaten, he recovered his strength. He stayed some days with the disciples in Damascus, and he began at once to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. All who heard him were astounded and said, “Is not this the man who in Jerusalem ravaged those who call upon this name, and came here expressly to take them back in chains to the chief priests?” But Saul grew all the stronger and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus, proving that this is the Christ.

## The word of the Lord!

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### **Psalm 117**

**R. Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.**

Praise the LORD, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples! **R.**

For steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever. **R.**

### *Alleluia*

#### **John 15:16**

**Alleluia.** I chose you from the world, to go and bear fruit that will last, says the Lord. **Alleluia.**

### *Gospel*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 16:15-18)**

Jesus appeared to the Eleven and said to them: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with

their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

**The Gospel of the Lord!.**

# Announcement



## **ADULT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR JANUARY 19TH 2025**

Praying and Loving Family....

Good Morning my dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ...

If you are worshipping with us for the first time you are welcome. This is St John Mary Vianney Parish kubwa extension III, you can meet me for more information about our parish.

- May we stand for the prayer of our church building project.
- Those who collected the church building envelope should come forward for prayers and blessings.
- Those with their tithe please come forward for prayers and blessings.
- Collection for today is for parish maintenance May God bless your generosity.

### **KINDLY LISTEN PATIENTLY TO THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1- Catechism classes has resumes fully. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to class on time. The class begins with rosary prayer at 3.30pm every Saturday and Sunday. Meanwhile New registration is ongoing for 1st Holy Communion, baptism and confirmation. Meet the catechist and register on time.



## 2- BANNS OF MARRIAGE

### 3RD CALL

Valentine Jideofo Akus son of Graham and Ann Akus from Umueri - Ogbunike, Anambra State and Anita Chinyere Ibeabuchi daughter of Richard and Eucharika Ibeabuchi from Agbiriba - Nanka, Anambra State.

If there are any reasons these persons should not be joined in the Holy Matrimony of the Holy Catholic Church please meet with the parish priest and on time. Parishioners are encouraged to pray for them.

3- Marriage course first batch for the year will commence today by 4pm. Those who are interested should Meet the catechist and register.

4- Parishioners should please avoid moving through the pews during Holy Communion. Let us join the queue as directed by the church Warden.

5- Friends of Dominic Savio's group resumes their meeting today at 4pm and closed at 6pm. Parents, please encourage your children to participate and take note. Thank you.

6- Samuel Vocation Group meets today 19th January. We begin with Benediction at 5:15pm in the main Church and then move to the chapel to conclude with the reflection. Members should please take note.

7- The Scout Association of Nigeria of our Parish will resume their meeting Saturday 25th January. Members, please take note and It is for anyone. Those interested should contact the Youth Chaplain. Their meeting days is only on Saturdays at 4pm in the Church premises.

8-The Novena to St John Bosco begins on the 22nd January - 30th January . It will be included in the daily Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to participate, while Salesian Cooperators, Animators and Student Hostellers, please take note.

9- On Saturday 25th January 2025 is Parish Assembly, all heads and secretary and one representative from each group are mandated to be present. Time: 9am prompt Venue: Children's hall

Signed parish priest

10- The Catholic Charismatic renewal of Nigeria, St John Mary Vianney parish kubwa is inviting all parishioners to her ongoing 35 days prayer project of prayers and fasting.

Theme: Dominion Mandate

Date; Every Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Venue; Children's hall

Starting with 6pm mass

God bless you as you come!!!!

11- On Saturday 18th January 2025, CWO St Claire will sweep and clean the Church immediately after the 7am mass members please be informed

12- Don Bosco Sport Fiesta is here again

In line with the celebration of the feast day of Don Bosco there will be.

Novena to St John Bosco, which begins on 22nd of January 2025 Parishioners are encouraged to participate.

We also have Tournaments for Don Bosco sport Fiesta with registration to participate:

1. Don Bosco Marathon- 5k per participant for registration and it is scheduled to hold on 25th of January by 8am. The Kilometers is 5km

We give Winning Prize to 1st & 2nd only

2. Volley ball competition - registration is 15,000 per team.

3. Basketball competition - registration is 10,000 per team.

4. Tables Tennis competition - registration for Adult is 5,000, while Teenagers (19years and below) pays 2,000 for registration

5. Scrabble competition - registration is 2,000 to participate.

6. Chess competition - 2,000 for registration

We have Fantastic prizes to be won in all games

For more information and details, kindly visit the Oratory store. Thank you.

### 13- Promo Promo Promo

Don Bosco health care wishes to inform all parishioners that the Christmas promo is still on in their Massage Center & it goes for just a thousand naira (#1,000) - do not miss this mouth watering opportunity at your doorstep.

Those for Thanksgiving should please move to the aisle of the church and come forward.

### CATHOLIC CHURCHES' ETIQUETTE

Receive Communion Reverently..... If You're Eligible To Receive Communion, do So Reverently and Respectfully, Avoid eating or drinking during mass, except for receiving communion....\*

### QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Be Good, Love The Lord, Pray For Those Who Don Not Know Him.what A Great Grace it is to know god!"

St Josephine Bakhita

To stay connected to our parish activities visit the parish WhatsApp group. If you are not added yet, meet with the communication committee Note: You must be a member of the statutory body or state association and must have your Laity card before you are added to the parish platform.

Praying and loving family that wins souls for God... thanks for your patience, Have a prosperous New year ahead

Praying and loving family...