



St. John Mary Vianney

Bulletin



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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 Acts of the Apostles (Acts 10:34-37-43)

In those days: Peter opened his mouth and said, "You know the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses to all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and made him manifest; not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.

Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of

Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." **R.**

"The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds; his right hand is exalted. The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds." I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians (Colossians 3:1-4)

Brethren: If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

The word of the Lord!

Sequence

To the Paschal Victim let Christians offer a sacrifice of praise. The Lamb redeemed the sheep. Christ, sinless, reconciled sinners to the Father. Death and life were locked together in a unique struggle.

Life's captain died; now he reigns, never more to die. Tell us, Mary, "What did you see on the way?" "I saw the tomb of the now living Christ. I saw the glory of Christ, now risen. "I saw angels who gave witness; the cloths too which once had covered head and limbs. "Christ my hope has arisen. He will go before his own into Galilee." We know that Christ has indeed risen from the dead. Do you, conqueror and king, have mercy on us. Amen. Alleluia.

Alleluia

1 Corinthians 5:7.8

Alleluia. Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed; let us, therefore, celebrate the festival in the Lord. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went towards the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and

reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord!

M O N D A Y

21st April, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2: 14.22-33)

[On the day of Pentecost,] Peter, standing with the Eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. "Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs which God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know — this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. But

God raised him up, having loosed the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will dwell in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, nor let your Holy One see corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' "Brethren, I may say to you confidently of the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this which you see and hear."

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16

R. Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord." O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; you yourself who secure my lot. **R.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord before me always; with him at my right hand, I shall not be moved. **R.**

And so, my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my flesh shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to hell, nor let your holy one see corruption. **R.**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand, bliss forever. **R.**

Alleluia

Psalm 118:24

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 28:8-15)

At that time: The women departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Hail!" And they

came up and took hold of his feet and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me." While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sum of money to the soldiers and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep and if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.'" So they took the money and did as they were directed; and this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.

The Gospel of the Lord!

T U E S D A Y

22nd April, 2025

First Reading

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
(Acts 2:36-41)**

[On the day of Pentecost,] Peter said to the Jews, "Let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this they

were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children and to all that are far off, every one whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other words and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptised, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 33

R. His merciful love fills the earth.

The word of the Lord is faithful, and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right, and his merciful love fills the earth. R.

Yes, the Lord's eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. R/.

Our soul is waiting for the LORD. He is our help and our shield. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD. R/.

*Alleluia***Psalm 118:24**

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.
Alleluia.

*Gospel***A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (John 20:11 - 18)**

At that time: Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." Saying this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means teacher Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and said to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she

told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord!**W E D N E S D A Y****23rd April, 2025***First Reading***A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
Acts 3: 1-10**

In those days: Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at that gate of the temple which is called Beautiful to ask alms of those who entered the temple. Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked for alms. And Peter directed his gaze at him, with John, and said, "Look at us." And he fixed his attention upon them, expecting to receive something from them. But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but I give you what I have; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise and walk." And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. And leaping up he stood and walked and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. And all the people saw him

walking and praising God, and recognised him as the one who sat for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 105

R. Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice.

Give thanks to the Lord; proclaim his name. Make known his deeds among the peoples. O sing to him, sing his praise; tell all his wonderful works! **R.**

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice. Turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face. **R.**

O children of Abraham, his servant, O descendants of the Jacob he chose, he, the Lord, is our God; his judgements are in all the earth. **R.**

He remembers his covenant forever: the promise he ordained for a thousand generations, the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac. **R.**

Alleluia

Psalm 118:24

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 24:13-35)

That very day, [the first day of the week,] two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognising him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since this happened. Moreover, some women of our company

amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; and they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb, and found it just as the women had said; but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is towards evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the Eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was

known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of The Lord!

THURSDAY

24th April, 2025

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 3: 11-26)

In those days: While the lame man who had been cured clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people, "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham and of Isaac and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name, by faith in his name, has made this man strong whom you see and know; and the faith which is through Jesus has

given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. “And now, brethren, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ should suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for establishing all that God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old. Moses said, ‘The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet from your brethren as he raised me up. You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. And it shall be that every soul that does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people.’ And all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and those who came afterwards, also proclaimed these days. You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant which God gave to your fathers, saying to Abraham, ‘And in your posterity shall all the families of the earth be blessed.’ God, having raised up his servant, sent him to you first, to bless you in turning every one of you from your wickedness.”

The word of the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 8

R. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth! What is man that you should keep him in mind, the son of man that you care for him? **R.**

Yet you have made him little lower than the angels; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hands. **R.**

You put all things under his feet, all of them, sheep and oxen, yes, even the cattle of the fields, birds of the air, and fish of the sea that make their way through the waters. **R.**

Alleluia

Psalm 118:24

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 24:35-48)

At that time: The two disciples told what had happened on the road to Emmaus and how Jesus was known to them in the breaking of the bread. As they were saying this, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you.” But they were startled and frightened, and supposed that they saw a spirit. And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do questionings rise in your hearts?”

See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them. Then he said to them, “These are my words which I spoke to you, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

The Gospel of The Lord!

FRIDAY

25th April, 2025

First Reading

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
(Acts 4:1-12)**

In those days: As Peter and John were

speaking to the people, [after the lame man was healed,] the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men came to about five thousand. On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes were gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a cripple, by what means this man has been healed, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him this man is standing before you well. This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

The word of The Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118

R. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Give praise to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the Lord say, "His mercy endures forever." **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad. **R.**

O Lord, grant salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord is God, and has given us light. **R.**

Alleluia

Psalm 118:24

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (John 21: 1-14)

At that time: Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael

of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat; but that night they caught nothing. Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any fish?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his clothes, for he was stripped for work, and sprang into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish lying on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This

was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

The Gospel of The Lord!

S A T U R D A Y

26th April, 2025

First Reading

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
Acts 4:13-21**

In those days: When the rulers and elders and scribes saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they wondered; and they recognised that they had been with Jesus. But seeing the man that had been healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred with one another, saying, "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is manifest to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name." So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John

answered them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge; for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard." And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people; for all men praised God for what had happened.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118

R. I will thank you, Lord, for you have answered me.

Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour. There are shouts of joy and salvation in the tents of the just. **R.**

"The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds; his right hand is exalted. The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds." I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord punished me, punished me severely, but did not hand me over to death. **R.**

Open to me the gates of justice: I will enter and thank the Lord. This is the Lord's own gate, where the just enter. I will thank you, for you have answered, and you are my saviour. **R.**

*Alleluia***Psalm 118:24**

Alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia.

*Gospel***A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mark 16:9- 15)**

When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them. Afterwards he appeared to the eleven themselves as they sat at table; and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Announcement



ANNOUNCEMENT FOR APRIL 20th, 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.
- Those with their tithe, please come forward for prayers and blessings.
- We will now be having a “thank you” Thanksgiving, which is a gift to the Lord. We are encouraged to get to the aisle of the church and come forward.

KINDLY LISTEN PATIENTLY TO THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENTS

1- Infant baptism registration is ongoing. Meet the catechist and register on time. No late registration please.

2 - EASTER PROGRAMME

Easter Sunday 20th Masses 6am, 8am and 10am

Easter Monday, 21st 2025 (Galilee day) Mass 12 noon

Easter Tuesday 22nd to Friday 25th, Masses 6 am. No evening Mass

Easter Saturday, 26th mass is at 7 am.

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th Masses 6 am, 8 am, 10 am and 6 pm Mass.

3- BANNS OF MARRIAGE

2ND CALL

Michael Uzodimma Edwin, son of Edwin and Theresa Ugwu from Egbenechara Ukporgu, Enugu State and Mary Chisom Mba, daughter of Robinson and Eucharika Mba from Akwari Ehalumona, Enugu State.

Dennis Udegewueneye Ogar, son of Ogar and Elizabeth Iduku from Boboabong Obudu, Cross River State, and Elizabeth Iwong Aniah, daughter of Emmanuel and Anthonia Aniah from Ibong Obudu, Cross River State.

1ST CALL

Michael Kelechi Okonkwo, son of Cyril and Esther Okonkwo from Ihitte Uboma, Imo State, and Stellamaris Nkiruka Inyama, daughter of Ignatius and Comfort Inyama from Eziudo Ezinihitte, Imo State.

Feegalo Deko, son of Kior and Mercy Deko from Barako Gokana, Rivers State and Barinem Sina-op, daughter of Damian and Immaculata Sina-op from Barako Gokana, Rivers State.

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

4- Vacancy. A driver is urgently needed in Kubwa. Interested parishioners should meet after this mass. Official use +234 708 154 1833

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