

No Guns No Knives



Uganda Martyrs Catholic Community

“In Faith We Grow”

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

NOTICE BOARD

MASS FOR MIGRANTS on Monday **6th May 2024** at **St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 7HY** starting at 12 noon with banner procession. It will be led by Archbishop John Wilson. Welcome to attend.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Margaret Hawkins	2nd
Flavia Kkulubya	3rd
Olivia Mukiibi	3rd
Jordan Ssali	4th
George Kasibante	6th
Paschal F. Kyazze	6th
Maria B. Tumwesigye	10th
Juliet Mutyaba	12th
Daniel Kazibwe	13th
Raphaella Kitayimbwa	14th
Lydia K. Zzinga	16th
Florah Mugwanya	18th
Charles Lubega	19th
Deo Ssebagala	19th
Hilda Kitaka	19th
Jeremiah F. Kuteesa	20th
Felista N. Kibuuka	22nd
Vincent Kigongo	23rd
Denis Muwonge	24th

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

*Miss Winnie Nnantege
*Mrs Theo Bengo
*Ms Diana Lubowa
*Mathias Wasswa
*Maria Ddungu
*Julie Ssozi
*Mr Ambrose K. Katende
and others housebound or in hospital for God's healing.

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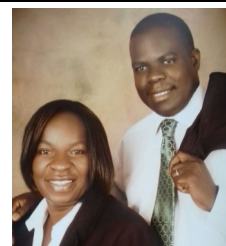
MIRIAM



KISITU

Just Married - 5.4.2024
Lubaga Cathedral

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Mr. Gerald and Mrs Grace Kalema Ssali: 17/04/2010 = 14 years
Mr. Charles Lwanga and Mrs Olivia Kisaala: 01/04/2007 = 17 years
Mr. Godfrey and Mrs Irene Ssekisonge: 24/04/2004 = 20 years
Mr. Kizito and Mrs Edna Bukenya: 24/04/1993 = 31 years



STAY CONNECTED TO THE TRUE VINE

Dear Brethren,

Today, as we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Easter, Christ uses symbolic language by calling himself the **True Vine** and his followers are the branches. The vine was the symbol of the Jewish nation. In the Old Testament, Israel is always referred to as God's vineyard. The vine and vineyard are used to highlight both the covenant and Israel's fruitfulness.

Now Jesus says that he is the True Vine and we are joined together to him as branches. He points out the absolute need to be closely connected to him through faith, his word, the sacraments and his Church. Christ is the energy and life of the Christian community. Detached from him we cannot bear the fruits of the Spirit expected of us. This is why he states it clearly, **"whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing."** (Jn 15: 5). So Jesus insists that we must be firmly bonded to him in order to bear the fruit of the kingdom.

The idea of connectivity is the basis of all life's systems. A baby in a mother's womb is connected to her by an umbilical cord. Cutting it prematurely leads to death. Living creatures depend pretty much on each other for their survival. There is a high degree of interconnectedness in the food chain. Connectivity and connections are crucial in many aspects of life—socio-economic and political.

To be a Christian is to have the life and energy of Jesus in us so as to bear the expected fruit. The second reading (1John 3:18-24) gives us an idea of the kind of fruits we must bear: **"our love must be something real and active"; "a clean conscience"; "keeping God's commandments"; "living the kind of life that God wants and loving one another as he told us to".**

Let's be on guard against some false vines such as: false prophets, dangerous ideologies and beliefs; materialistic and selfish lifestyles. We have to be glued to Christ and his teaching so that we walk his walk and talk his talk. Let's pray for the Spirit to guide us to be fruitful branches bonded to the True Vine.

Fr. Gerard M. Bafinnya



Mother's/Women's Day celebrations on Easter Day, 31st March 2024, were led by

St. Gyaviira basic small Christian Community (Kabondo).

The Choir had earlier treated us to a rendition of some Easter Carols in the church. They put on such a wonderful performance!

Thanks to everyone for your service and contribution. Your efforts are appreciated.

OBITUARY



Mr. John Ssekaye (22.9.1933 - 11.4.2024)
Mr. Paschal Ssekasamba (May 1970 - 8.4. 2024)
Dr. Fr. Deogratias Ssonko (5.9.1959 - 3.4.2024)
Mr. Peter Lukwata (30.7.1968 - 24.3.2024)



AD MEMORIAM (Memorial Anniversaries)



Mr. Raphael Nyanzi (d. 10th April 2019)
Bro. Leandro Mutebi (1935 - 29.4.2018)
Mrs Eliza Nnantongo Jockuat (28.3.1974 - 16.4.2018)



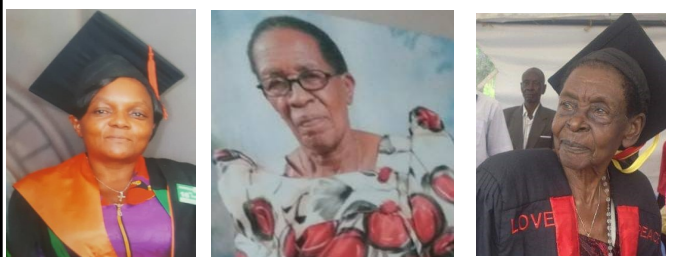
AD MEMORIAM (Memorial Anniversaries)



Bp Albert Edward Baharagate (25.2.1930 - 5.4.2023)
Jacqueline Irene Nnakafeero Kabuusi (4.10.1975 - 20.4.2023)
Deogratias Kaayabula (48); d.3.4.2022
His Grace Archbishop Cyprian Kizito Lwanga
 (19.1.1953 - 3.4.2021).



Fr. Odomaro Mutungirene (d. 26.4.2020)
Mrs Margaret Nansamba Ssali (25.10.39-7.4.2020)
Ms Mary Nnamugga Kakande (2.2.1947 - 7.4.2020)
Mr. David Gerald S. Mutumba (26.2.1962 - 4.4.2019)

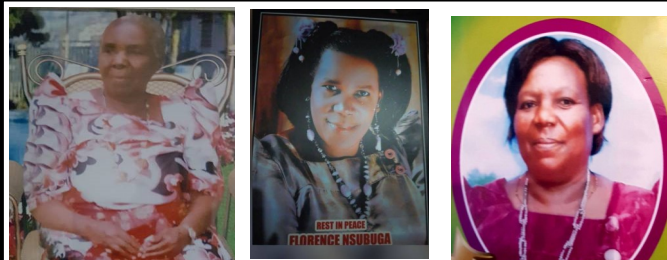


Miss Esther Nnakimuli (48) [d.20.4.2019]
Mrs Felicity Nnanfuka Kibuuka (95), [d. 25.4.2019].
Jjajja Tekela Kiggundu (age 107), [d. 22.4.2019]

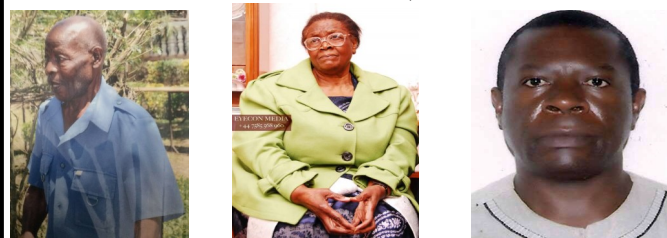
- *AGAATI KAWEEA (d. 23.4.2017)
- *THERESA KIZZA (d. 12.4.2017)
- *ROSE M. NANKABIRWA (d. Apr. 2015)
- *VINCENT KAYIMA (d. 8.4.2015)
- *FRANCIS BBAALE (d. 2.4.2015)
- *SCHOLASTICA NNAKIBUUKA (d. 23.4.2014)
- *FRANCIS PULLE (d. April 1998)



May all their souls rest in eternal peace. Amen.



Nnaalongo Millicenta Nnanteza (16.3.1933-18.4.2018)
Mrs Florence Nsubuga (1954 - 9.4.18)
Mrs Maria Salome N. Mwanje (8.1.1956-5.4. 2017)



Mr. Augustino Kigozi (89); [Died 28.4.2016]
Mrs Mary Nkata (d. 20 April 2016)
Dr. Fr. Joseph Kisekka (26.3.1959 - 14.4.2016)



Mr. Joseph Nyanzi (1953 - 12.4.2016)
Ms Veronica Kawere (1969 - 11 April 2016)
Mr. Reginald Matovu (22.5.1961 - 11.04.2016)
Mr. Christopher Kaweesa (1948 - 29.4.2013)



Dr. Mgr Joseph M. Obunga (7.1.1951-28.4.2005)
Fr. Stephen Mwanje Kintu (15.3.1960 - 10.4.2003)
Mr. Roman Wilfred Ssali (15.12.1925 - 25.4.1999)
Emmanuel Card. K. Nsubuga (5.11.1914 - 20.4.1991)

