

No Guns No Knives



Uganda Martyrs Catholic Community

“In Faith We Grow”

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

NOTICE BOARD

Lewisham Community will celebrate their annual Mass on **31st August 2019** led by Dr. Fr. Richard Ssajjabbi at St. Saviour's Church 175 Lewisham High Street SE13 6AA.

Time: **2.30 pm**, followed by reception in the hall. Contact Mrs. Viola **07886030804**

Bika bya Baganda Games will take place on **25th August** at Lee Valley Athletics Centre 61 Meridian Way, Pickets Lock, Edmonton, N9 0AR, starting from 1.30 to 9.30 pm.

The Pan-African Annual Mass will take place on **Sunday 22nd September, 2019** at St. George's Church, 132 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow, London E17 9HU at 2.45 pm. Main celebrant:

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Julie Ssozi	6th
Gerald Ssali	8th
Margaret Wannyana	15th
Victoria Walugembe	18th
Agnes Janet Ntambi	19th
Ambrose S. Kibuuka	20th
Claude Lukyamuzi	20th
Rose Mistica Farmer	25th
Juliet Muwonge	29th
Rose Mukiibi	29th



KEEP RUNNING STEADILY AND ENDURE THE CROSS

Dear Brethren,

In the famous song, ‘What a friend we have in Jesus’ we sing that when we are “weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care we have to take it to the precious Saviour who is still our refuge. In his arms he will take and shield you; you will find a solace there!” But looking at the gospel utterances of Christ, (**Lk 12:49-53**) he is sounding very militant, violent and breathing out fire and brimstone! Is he our solace and refuge? On the surface of it he is not! But he is making a very important point for our faith.

Christ came into the world to cast a fire that purifies the hearts and minds of his followers. His baptism which he had to receive was one of purification through suffering and death in order to redeem the world. Each of his followers must be single-minded; they must make a purposeful choice to believe and do as he commands. Following Christ in his purifying Passion involves facing opposition and wrestling with the forces of evil.

As we follow Christ, we often find that we have to forego some pleasures and make radical decisions. We are often asked to make sacrifices. We have to restrain our desires. We have to learn how to control our emotions and inclinations. This serves as part of the purification we undergo in order to pursue a higher goal. This is what the martyrs did.

Christ experienced temptations but he controlled himself. He faced opposition from his own people and subjected himself to death on the cross. He was humiliated but he endured it for a worthy cause. That is what he calls his followers to do as well.

Jeremiah went through the same pattern of opposition and persecution. The people had strayed from God and were unfaithful to the covenant. So God used the Chaldeans to punish their sin. Jeremiah prophesied the downfall of the city for this reason. He sounded as if he was on the side of the enemies. So people hated him and threw him into the well. He was a martyr for speaking truth to power. He was compelled to pronounce God's judgments but he was seemingly viewed as the cause of discord (**Jer. 38:4-6**). This is what Christ experienced when he confronted the Jewish leaders who finally did away with him.

So, following Christ is not a picnic. It involves a cross. This is why we are advised in **Hebrews 12:1-4**: “we should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily; keep running steadily in the race we have started; endure the cross like Christ. Let us not lose sight of Jesus; let's not give up for want of courage and keep on fighting to the point of death for the sake of the joy that is still in the future!

May God bless you all and have a restful, prayerful and virtuous summer break.

Fr. Gerard M. Balinnya

BLUE PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF SIR EDWARD MUTEESA INSTALLED

A cross section of community members were present at the installation of the blue plaque at the house where Sir Edward Muteesa lived and died at Orchard House in Bermondsey. Among dignitaries present were Prince Herbert and Omuzaana Salome, Naalinnya Elizabeth Nnakabiri, Ow'Ekit. Ronald Lutaaya, Hon. Zzaake (MP Mityana), Carr Gomm family members (Carr Gomm had offered the flat to Sir Freddie), and Waterloo members.



Fr. Gerard, Winnie Nnantege, Mrs Rose Ssewaali, Justine Vvubya, etc... represented UMCC 26.7.2019.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Dr Lawrence B. & Mrs Rita Christine Kasujja	14/08/1976 = 43 yrs
Mr Caesar & Mrs. Kibuuka Ssaka	08/08/1980 = 39 yrs
Mr Joseph & Mrs. Sarah Nsambu-Musisi	01/08/1981 = 38 yrs
Mr Herman Fred & Mrs Olivia N. Ssebuuma	17/08/1991 = 28 yrs
Mr Julius & Mrs Norah Ssonko	10/08/1992 = 27 yrs
Mr Mark & Mrs Regina Kibuuka Fletcher	15/08/2003 = 16 yrs
Mr. & Mrs Male	30/08/2003 = 16 yrs
Mr Michael & Mrs Restetuta Nakalanzi Bukenya	24/08/2004 = 15 yrs
Mr Joseph & Mrs Susan Kojo	28/08/2004 = 15 yrs
Mr Arthur & Mrs Paula Muwazi N. Lubega	23/08/2008 = 11 yrs
Mr John & Mrs Viola Nakayenga Hategeka	30/08/2008 = 11 yrs
Mr John Mpiima & Mrs Lydia Kavuma Zzinga	30/08/2008 = 11 yrs
Mr George W. & Mrs Maria Grace N. Kasibante	07/08/2010 = 09 yrs
Mr Ivan & Mrs Maria Nnajjemba Luwugge	14/08/2010 = 09 yrs
Mr Leonard & Mrs Elizabeth Mayanja	14/08/2011 = 08 yrs
Mr D. Richard & Mrs Eva Mbogga	20/08/2011 = 08 yrs
Mr Paul & Mrs Agatha Nnakazi Ssempijja	20/08/2011 = 08 yrs
Mr Peter & Mrs Olivia Vernon Ssendawula Mukasa	11/08/2012 = 07 yrs
Mr Kevin & Mrs Marjorie Musisi	08.08.2014 = 05 yrs
Mr Rhys & Mrs Moreen Horsfield	27.08.2016 = 03 yrs



MASS INTENTIONS

Mr Grace + Mrs Ruth Kitayimbwa and Family pray for the repose of the soul of the late Mrs Felicity Nnanfuka Kibuuka.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

*Miss Winnie Nnantege,

*Mrs Theo Bengo

*Mathias Wasswa

*Polly Tamwesigire

and many others housebound or in hospitals, for God's healing touch. Amen.

OBITUARY

Mrs MATILDA NAMATOVU SSOZI

Born 26 Dec. 1926, she studied at Aberystwyth Wales University and qualified as a Registered Nurse and Midwife. She worked in several hospitals in Uganda. She passed away Sunday 11th Aug.

2019 and laid to rest at Koko, Bulemeezi on Sat. 17th Aug. 2019. She is survived by children including Mrs Rose Ssewaali, Miss Julie Ssozi and Mrs Christine Kasiriivu.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of all the faithful departed, especially those whom we remember at this time, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



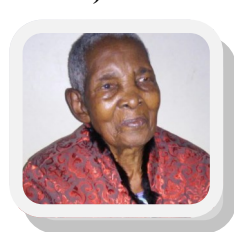
AD MEMORIAM (Anniversaries)



*Ms Anna K. Nnakayima (03.5.1919 - 29.8.2013)



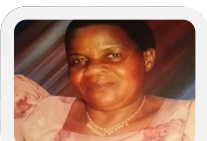
*Mr Emmanuel Kyagaba Nserikomawa (10.3.1922 - 16.7. 2018)



*Mrs Costancia Nnamatovu Kyagaba (02.6.1927 - 08.08.2018)



*Gertrude C Nnajjuka Ssentamu (12.12.44 - 13. 8.2017)



*Margaret Nnalwanga (10.10.39 - 26.8.2013)



*Fr. Simon Peter Magandaazi (02.8.1956 - 04.8.2008)



*Dr. George Mutebi (RIP 16.8.2014)

*Jimmy Katumba (RIP 13.8.2006)

*Nnaalongo Jane Kibirige (RIP 30.7.2014) } (Photos N/A)

SECAM CELEBRATIONS IN UGANDA (JULY 1969 - JULY 2019)

SECAM stands for the Symposium of the Episcopal Conferences of Africa and Madagascar. The project was born at the Vatican Council (1962 - 1965) with the will of the African Bishops to speak and act together, overcoming the language, historical and cultural differences. The Symposium convened for the first time during the visit of Pope Paul VI to Uganda in July 1969. To mark the golden jubilee of its birth, celebrations were held in Uganda (20th—29th July). Over 400 Cardinals and Bishops from all of Africa and Madagascar converged in Kampala and here is a pictorial flavour of the events. Delegates from all over the world attended too. Robert Cardinal Sarah, Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship and Sacraments arrived 19.7.2019 to represent Pope Francis. The theme was:

“Church, Family of God in Africa, Celebrate your Jubilee, Proclaim, Meet and Welcome Christ your Saviour.” There were celebrations at Lubaga Cathedral, Nnamugongo Martyrs Shrine and Munyonyo. One of the highlights was the granting of Munyonyo church status of a Minor Basilica.



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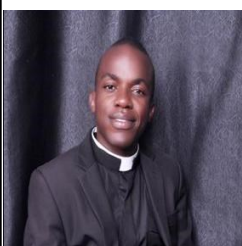
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**SECAM****1969 - 2019****OBITUARY****Deacon****Andrew Brian Mayega**

Born
29.3.1990 in
Nakawuka
Parish he was

ordained a deacon 11.8.2018. He was due to be ordained a priest on 10.8.2019 but died after a short illness due to a respiratory complication on 2.8.2019. (RIP)

**OW'EKITIIBWA GODFREY KAAYA**

KAVUMA. Born Oct. 1937 he studied at MUK and served in different companies and capacities including Coffee Marketing Board.



A resourceful businessman, he established Radio CBS (1996). He was Buganda Dep. Premier and fostered peace. Died of heart failure 27.7.2019 and laid to rest in Jjungo on 6.8.2019. May his soul rest in peace.

AD MEMORIAM**FLORENCE SSENDI**

At 68, she died 28.8.2017. Sorely missed by Miss

Harriet Ssendi and Family. Fondly remembered in thoughts and prayers.

Mass intention offered for the repose of her soul.

