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Today's Readings for Mass

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Mass Intentions:

• This is for the repose of the souls of our mother, grandmother and great-grand mother Nawain Helmina Tse who passed away on July 21st and our brother, husband, father and uncle Bobe Yong Francis who passed away on December 30th, 2013, Given by the Yong's and Yuh family.

My dear friends,

From the Desk of Fr. Henry

Peace and fraternal greetings!

I'd start by thanking all those who joined us in our Cameroon Day of Prayer. It was a great success and I thank those in our community who assisted me in organizing the events. Special thanks to Kila Fobi for being the main organizer and to Mr. Wallang for assisting with printing our programs. We hope many more people will join us next year as we come together to praise God with our Cameroonian brothers and sisters.



Wednesday, March 5, is Ash Wednesday. I encourage you all to attend mass on Ash Wednesday and make an effort to participate fully in our lenten commitment of fasting, prayers and almsgiving. As usual, our mass in March will begin with Stations of the Cross, May God impact a special Lenten grace upon all of you.

This month, in the Archdiocese of Atlanta, marks the beginning of the Archdishop's Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal is a parish-based contribution made to the Archdiocese to support the many ministries and organizations run by the Archdiocese. These ministries and programs include our seminarians, pro-life office, youth ministry office, formation and discipleship, permanent diaconate, and many others. This year, our Cameroon Catholic Community will take up a special collection to support St. Anthony of Padua parish to meet her goal in the Annual Appeal. Our masses in March and April will be reserved for this. Please, come prepared.

I'd ask you all to join me in celebrating with Don Alarms, the life and legacy of Marie Alarms who left us last year. Don has written a beautiful piece and I think it is worth reading. Now and always, let us continue to pray for both the living and dead.

Sincerely yours in Christ

Fr. Atem

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CCC COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Dedication for

MARIE MANGA MBOULE ALARMS

Marie, a year has gone by since your glorious departure; but

We try not to grieve because we know you are free as you have followed the path God laid out for you. You took the hand when you heard the call; I remember clearly that evening when you saw the light but I never knew what it meant.

You could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work or play. All that you left undone will stay that way. Your parting has left a big void but we are trying to fill it up with remembered Joy, friendship, laughs and kisses you shared with us.

His name is Jaden, our first grandchild. You should see him now bubbling with life, every time I carry our grandchild: I remember January 1st 2011. He gave you a reason to get better but you found peace at the close of the day

Your parting will be filled with memories of joy and not lengthen with undue grief. We know God wanted you and He set you free but we do miss you so so much.

Blessed are those who came on earth to give. Your gift will carry us through. When we do feel sad, we think of you, because when you live in the hearts of those who loved you, remember then..... you never die.

Lord Jesus Christ, by dying on the Cross You opened the gates of life for those who believe in You; do not let our wife/ mother/sister/friend Marie Manga Mboule Alarms be parted from You, but by Your glorious power give her light, joy, and peace in heaven where You live for ever and ever

Amen.

Don Alarms



The Daughters of Divine Love Congregation, an international order of Women Religious founded in 1969 in Nigeria by late Bishop Godfrey Mary Paul Okoye, C.S.Sp, during the agonizing and ravaging Nigeria-Biafra war will be coming to the Cameroon Catholic Community to sell their Raffle booklets/tickets on the weekend of February 16, 2014.

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The death of the founder, barely seven years after the founding of the Congregation, put its survival in question; however, the Congregation continued to grow and thrive. Today by God's mercy this mustard seed, the Daughters of Divine Love has grown into a big tree with over 900 sisters ministering in 15 countries in Africa. (including Cameroon), Carribean Islands of Jamaica. Cuba and Haiti, and the United States. The members pronounce the public vows of Chastity, Poverty and Obedience, and dedicate themselves to contemplation and apostolic work feeding, educating, providing shelter, medication, and basic necessities to the poor, lonely

After mass today, they will be outside the Church to hand out their raffle tickets. Kindly welcome them and support the good works of the sisters. Your generosity does the miracle of caring for the poor as Christ did. God bless and

CCC Youth Group Meeting

When:

February 22nd at 1:30pm

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Emeritus Bishop of Buea Pius Suh Awa 1930—2014 "Ut Cognoscant Te": That they may know You

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Born on May 4, 1930 in Bafut-North West Region, Bishop Pius Suh Awa attended Brigard Memorial Seminary in Enugu-Nigeria from where he proceeded to Rome for further studies.

Ordained priest in Rome in 1961, he became co-adjutor Bishop of Buea in 1971, and took over the Diocese of Buea in 1973. On January 1, 2007 he stepped down and handed over the reigns to Bishop Immanuel Bushu. He passed onto eternal glory on

February 9, 2014, and will be buried in the Soppo Cathedral on February 24, 2014. May His soul rest in Perfect Peace.



Jesus tells us in today's gospel that He has come not to abolish the Law of Moses but

to 'fulfill' it and the teachings of the prophets. Christ is not abandoning the Ten

Commandments but He is demanding of his followers a more perfect and sincere

fulfillment of them. He calls us to train our hearts to master our passions and emo-

tions. True service of God therefore begins in the heart and has its value from our

that we do not murder, commit adultery, divorce or lie.

interior disposition. Outward observance of the Law is not enough. It is not enough

The true Christian must remove any inclination to murder for example by building

up true, brotherly love for all mankind in his or her heart. We must not only not in-

jure our neighbor in person or character but be ready to help him or her and prevent

injury whenever we can. We must not only not commit adultery, but must also de-

velop a Christian respect and esteem for purity. We must be truthful always and be

with God. Let us go forth brothers and sisters armed with these Commandments in

thanksgiving for haven been chosen and be Christ to our neighbors.

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people of our word. Keeping the Ten Commandments is our way of proving to God that we are grateful, obedient and loyal to Him who gave us all we have and who has

- Just as our love for God is proved by our love for our neighbor, so the last seven of the Commandments impose on us obligations regarding our neighbor. It is only by fulfilling these seven that we can fulfill the first three which govern our relations
 - Shalom. Tobias Fonge.

promised us abundant life.

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