

Catholic Archdiocese of Accra

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

To All Priests, Religious and Lay Faithful of Accra Archdiocese

Dear Beloved in Christ,

AUXILIARY BISHOPS FOR THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ACCRA

Peace be with you!

I write on behalf of the Metropolitan Archbishop of Accra, the Most Rev. John Bonaventure KWOFIE to inform all that the His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed **Rev. Fr. John Kobina LOUIS and Rev. Fr. Anthony Nary ASARE**, as Auxiliary Bishops of the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra. Both are assigned the Titular Seas of Fessei (Fesseitanus) and Castello di Numidai (Castellanus in Numidia), pr. Numidia respectively.

The news of their appointment was announced in Rome today at 12:00 noon and also announced by the Apostolic Nuncio to Ghana, His Excellency Henryk Mieczyslaw JAGODZINSKI at the Holy Spirit Cathedral at 11:00 am GMT.

Attached is the brief *Curriculum Vitae* of the Auxiliary Bishops-elect.

Gratefully,

Fr. Emmanuel D. Appah Archbishop's Secretary

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE OF AUXILIARY BISHOP-ELECT JOHN KOBINA LOUIS

Rev. Fr. John Kobina Louis was born on 24th November 1964 at Accra.

He studied at Roman Catholic Basic School at Nima, Accra and obtained his GCE O-Level and A-Level at St. Augustine's College, Cape Coast. He had his Ecclesiastical studies at St. Peter's Regional Seminary, Pedu. He was ordained a priest on 18th July 1992 in the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra.

He holds the following Degrees and Certificates: a Doctoral Degree in Study of Religions at University of Ghana, Legon – October 2010 – June 2014; STL in Dogmatic Theology at *Pontificia Universitas Urbaniana*, Rome – 2002-2004; Certificate in Financial Management and Budgeting at GIMPA, Accra; and BA in Religious Studies and Sociology at University of Ghana.

His work experience/pastoral ministry includes the following:

- Spiritual Director, Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer Sisters, Generalate Community, Accra, 2016 2020
- Academic Dean and Lecturer, Catholic Institute of Business and Technology, 2014-2020;
- Acting President, Catholic Institute of Business and Technology 2017 2018;
- Part-time lecturer, Dept. of Religious Studies and Church Administration, Catholic Institute of Business and Technology 2008 2014;
- Cathedral Administrator, Holy Spirit Cathedral, Accra 2006 2012;
- Acting Head, Dept. of Religious Studies and Church Administration, Catholic Institute of Business and Technology 2010 2011;
- Associate Cathedral Administrator, Holy Spirit Cathedral, Accra 2004 2006;
- Spiritual Director, Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer Sisters, Christ the King Community, Accra 1998 2002;
- Parish Priest, St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Tema. 1998 2002
- Director, Pastoral Centre, Accra Archdiocese 1997- 2002;
- Financial Administrator, Accra Archdiocese 1996 2002;
- Priest-in-charge, St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Tema 1995 1998
- Youth Chaplain, Tema-Battor Deanery 1992 1995
- Chaplain, Sea Apostolate in Tema 1992 1995;
- Assistant Parish Priest, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, Tema (I was responsible for the outstations: St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Tema; St. Peter's Church, Tema New Town; and St. Michael's Church, Michael Camp) 1992 1995
- National Service: Laboratory Technician at Ghana Water and Sewerage Corporation (now *Ghana Water Company*), Mile 4, Accra 1985 1986.

Rev. Fr. John Kobina Louis is presently the Vicar General of the Metropolitan Archdiocese of Accra. On 14th February 2023 His Holiness Pope Francis appointed him Auxiliary Bishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Accra, and is assigned the Titular Seat of Fessei (*Fesseitanus*), pr. Numidia.

BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE OF AUXILIARY BISHOP-ELECT ANTHONY NARH ASARE

Rev. Fr. Anthony Asare was born on 29th December 1965 at Agomanya, Eastern Region.

He studied at Tema Secondary School where he obtained his O-Level and A-Level at Labone Secondary School in Accra. In 1988 he obtained a Certificate in Insurance and Project management.

He had his Ecclesiastical studies and seminary formation at St. Paul's Catholic Seminary, Accra and at St. Peter's Regional Seminary, Pedu in Cape Coast. In 1993, he obtained his Diploma in Theology at University of Ghana, Legon.

He holds the following Degrees and Certificates: MA in Management Dublin City University Ireland, 2008-2009; MA Leadership and Pastoral Care - DCU, Ireland, 2009-2010; MASP: Masters in Supervisory Practice –DCU, Ireland, 2010-2011; Certificate in Reflective Ministry – All Hallows College of DCU, Ireland, 2012; Certificate in Project management- All Hallows' College of DCU, Ireland, 2012; Certificate in Public Relations - All Hallows' College of DCU, Ireland, 2012.

His pastoral works and experiences includes the following:

- ❖ Assistant Priest 1995 1997 Martyrs of Uganda Parish Mamprobi Accra
- Priest In Charge 1997-1999 Sacred Heart Parish Derby Avenue-Accra
- ❖ Priest In Charge 1999-2004 St Peter's Parish Osu Accra
- ❖ Priest In Charge 2004 2008 St Marouns / St James Parish Osu –Accra
- ❖ Parish Chaplain 2008-2012 St Andrews Westland Row Dublin- Ireland
- ❖ Financial Administrator of the Archdiocese of Accra, 2002-2008
- ❖ Priest in Residence 2013 Mary Mother of Good Counsel Airport West, Accra
- ❖ Parish Priest 2013-2019 St Joseph the Worker Parish Community 8, Tema

Rev. Fr. Anthony Narh Asare is presently the Parish Priest of Ss. Ann and Joachim Parish, Teshie, Accra and Director of Priests' Personnel of Accra Archdiocese. On 14th February 2023, Hi Holiness Pope Francis appointed him Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Accra, and is assigned the Titular Seat of Castello di Numidia (*Castellanus* in Numidia), pr. Numidia.