

January

Sunday, 6th of January, <u>12:30 pm</u>: Mass of the Feast of Epiphany

Sunday, 20th of January, 12:30 pm: Mass for the refugees.

Friday, 25th of January, 7:00 pm:
Discussion and Dialogue
with Dr. Walter Semsch, Director of

Caritas Organisation. "Caritas" at door step - Concrete ideas of help for us.

Sunday, 27th of January: Beginning of the Catechesis (basic teachings of the Church) after the Mass.

February

Sunday, 17th February, 12:30 pm: "Day of Love", Mass and special blessing for couples.



March

Wednesday, 6th of March:
Ash Wednesday liturgy. Mass begins at 7:00 pm.

Saturday, 16th of March, 7:00 pm: Narrative Concert: "Be the future, make something out of it"!

Music: Mom Bee and Band.



On all Sundays of lent, stations of the cross in the church: 10th/17th/24th/31st of March, 7th/14th of April after Mass.

Apri

Good Friday 19th of April, 10:00 am: Stations of the Cross in and around the Church (Kath. Thaddäus-Zentrum)

Sunday, 21st of April, <u>2:00 pm</u>: Easter celebration with special participation of children, followed by Agape feast.



May

We pray in a special way with Mary in the month of May.

Sunday, 5th of May, 12:30 pm: Mass in honor of the Mother of God -One Year Anniversary of our Madonna, with Rev. Fr. Winfried, OSB from St. Ottilien/Kenya.

Sunday, 12th of May, 12:30 pm: Mother's day celebration with the Catholic Women Association (CWA).

Sunday, 26th of May, 10:30 am: International Mass together with the Italian, Ukrainian, Eritrean and German communities in St. Thaddeus.

There will be no Mass on this day at 12.30 pm in the



Thursday, 30th of May, 12:30 pm: Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord: Father's day celebration with the men of the community.

Friday, 31st of May: Beginning of the Novena to the Holy Spirit. We pray in our families and together during the mass on the 2nd of June.

June

Sunday, 9th of June, 12:30 pm: Pentecost Sunday Mass with special participation of children and the newly confirmands of the community.



Thursday, 20th of June: Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ with St. Thaddeus Parish:

Mass begins at 8:30 am in St. Thaddeus Church, followed by Corpus Christi Procession.

There will be no Mass on this day at 12:30 pm in the community.

Sunday, 23rd of June: Community's trip/excursion to Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

Information and registration is in the parish office. There will be no Mass on this day at 12:30 pm in the community

July

Sunday, 7th of July, 10:00 am: Mass of the nations at the Basilica of St. Ulrich and Afra. There will be no Mass on this day at 12.30 pm in the community.

Sunday, 28th of July: Parish/Summer Feast. Mass begins at 2:00 pm followed by the feast.

There will also be Mass every Sunday at 12.30 pm in the month of **August**.

September



Sunday, 15th of September Mass with the blessing of pupils and school bags for the new academic year.

Sunday, 22nd of September, 12:30 pm: Celebration of the fifth anniversary of the community with Rev. Fr. Dr. McDonald Kelechi Nwandu SMMM.

October

Sunday, 13th of October: "Bergmesse" on the Buchenbergalm.

Information and Registration is in the parish office.

There will be no Mass on this day at 12.30 pm in the community

Sunday, 20th of October: Thanksgiving and Harvest. Mass begins at 2:00 pm.

November

Friday, 1st of November – Solemnity of All Saints, 12:30 pm: Mass for all known and unknown Saints of Africa.

Sunday, 17th of November, 12.30 pm: Mass within "The African Weeks in Augsburg"

December

2nd – 24th of December: Action "Mary in search of an accommodation". *Information and Registration is in the parish office.*

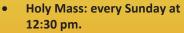
Wednesday, 25th December 2:00 pm: Solemnity of the

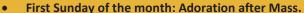


Nativity of the Lord. Mass with the special participation of the children, family blessings and followed by Christmas family feast.

Tuesday, 31st of December, 7:00 pm: Mass followed by the End of the Year adoration.

Regular Activities:





• Possibility of Confession every Sunday at 12:00 pm.

Catechesis: Sundays after the Holy Mass

27th of January Sacraments 10th of February Marriage 3rd of March Penance 28th of April Prayer 19th of May Eucharist/Holy Mass 30th of June Baptism & Confirmation

21st of July Faith

Further planned Activities:

- Lectures on current social topics
- Informative sessions about the Health project MIMI (With Migrants for Migrants)
- Bibel class and recollection
- Meeting with the African Students in co-operation with KHG Augsburg (April, October)
- Participation at the "Kinderfriedensfest", 8th of August.
- "Afrikanischen Wochen" 2019 with Solidarischer Welt" (November).



The pastoral Team of the Catholic African Community Augsburg:

CWA (Catholic Women Association): Meeting every second Sunday of the month after Mass.



From left to right: Mr. Toussaint Ngoma Lelo, Sacristan; Rev. Fr. Vitalis Emesi SMMM, Rector/Parish Priest; Rev. Fr. Gerhard Groll, Co-operator; Sr. M. Veronika Häusler, Pastoral Co-worker; Mrs Natacha Bamy, Parish Secretary.

Community's Advisory council:



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Opening time:

Monday to Tuesday: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm and Thursday: 11:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Consultation with the Rector/Parish Priest is by appointment.

Please visit our website:www.katholischeafrikanische-gemeinde-augsburg.de

Ecumenical theme evenings in the light of the Bible: Friday, 1st of March, 6:00 pm:

Crisis in marriage: "When the wine of joy runs out".

Friday, 10th of May, 6:00 pm:

Recollection for Mother's Day Celebration.

Friday, 12th of July, 6:00 pm:

What does God expect from parents regarding the upbringing of children?

Friday, 15th of November, 6:00 pm: Understanding and meeting death as a Christian. How does it work?

Night Vigil from 10:00 pm to 5:00 am followed by the Eucharistic Celebration at 5:00 am: Friday, 15th of February/

28th of June /13th of September.

Activities for children and youths:

All Masses with this symbol are with the special participation of children.

These Masses are prepared at a special meeting of youths and

We pray, do handicrafts, read and practise small games.

Meeting of the youths and children for Easter preparations: Saturday, 13th of April, 10:00 am.

Meeting of the youths and children for Pentecost Sunday preparation: Saturday, 8th of June, 10:00 am.

Annual excursion of the youths and children: Saturday, 20th of July.

Meeting of the youths and children for the preparation of the Mass at the beginning of the new academic year: Saturday, September 14th, 10:00 am.

Children's Biblical Day with the parish community, Kriegshaber: Saturday, 16th of March, 9:30 am.





Annual Programme 2019

Dear brothers and sisters,

"The time flies very quickly" is not an uncommon parlance. It is used often by almost everyone. The Catholic African Community in the diocese of Augsburg, which was "born yesterday", is already four years old. Yes, the time flies actually very fast. A four year old child speaks fluently already and does not wobble while walking. It is the same with our African Catholic Community. We no longer waggle as such. We are already established, even when all the desired objectives and aims are yet to be realized. All the same when we take a glance at the past four years, we can see that we have achieved a lot already. We stood together through ups and downs. I can only thank and praise God for this, because I know that we are not the movers and shakers, but only **receivers**. His works are astonishing (Ps 139,14). He is the source of our strength and life (Ps. 36,10).

We will never understand the present correctly without looking at the past. Likewise we may never plan and execute the future well without mastering and conquering the present.

This 2019 Annual Programme has been put together considering what we have achieved in the past and what we are experiencing at the moment. It contains many activities that will enrich our lives, more especially our Christian life and accompany us throughout the year 2019. I ask you to make this annual programme your vademecum (go-with-me) so that you do not miss any activity and thereby participate actively in the life of the community. Nevertheless, we must in all our enterprises according to Pope John XXIII (1958-1963), avoid two evils namely: rush and indecision.

I, together with the pastoral team of the community wish you every success in all your endeavours. May God bless you today, tomorrow and forever.

Your Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Vitalis Emesi SMMM

