



CONSOLATA SHRINE
11TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
14TH JUNE 2026



FIRST READING

Exodus 19:2-6a

“You shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.”

A reading from the Book of Exodus

In those days:

When the people of Israel came into the wilderness of Sinai, they encamped in the wilderness; and there Israel encamped before the mountain.

And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying,

“Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the sons of Israel: You have seen what I did to the

Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my own possession among all peoples; for all the earth is mine, and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.”

The Word of the Lord.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5
(R. 3c)**

R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Serve the LORD with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the LORD, is God.
He made us; we belong to him.
We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the LORD,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 5: 6-11

“If we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more shall we be saved by his life.”

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans



Brethren:

While we were yet helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man- though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him

from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

The word of the Lord

ALLELUIA

Mark 1:15



Alleluia

The kingdom of God is at hand;
repent, and believe in the Gospel.

Alleluia



GOSPEL

Matthew 9:36-10:8

“He called to him his twelve disciples, and sent them out.”

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mathew

At that time:

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is s called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas



Iscariot, who betrayed him. These Twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without pay, give without pay.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Reflection: Kingdom of Priests by Scott Hahn, Ph. D

The words God speaks to Israel in today’s First Reading are intended for us as well. The Church is the fulfillment of God’s covenant promises to Israel—a kingdom of priests and a holy nation (see Deuteronomy 26:19; Isaiah 62:12). In the Church, we have been gathered as the new “Israel of God” (see Galatians 6:16). He has made us His own people, the flock He tends, as we sing in today’s Psalm. Moses was Israel’s first shepherd (see Exodus 3:1). With the Promised Land in view, he prayed that God would raise up a successor so that God’s people would not be left as sheep without a shepherd (see Numbers 27:17). These same words are used in today’s Gospel to describe Jesus’ pity for the crowds, who are “troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.” Israel’s shepherds—the Pharisees and scribes—had abandoned and misled the people through their hypocrisy and spiritual blindness (see Matthew 23:1–36; Jeremiah 50:6). But God had long before promised that He Himself would come and save His sheep—searching over the whole earth where they had been scattered “for lack of a shepherd” (see Ezekiel 34:1–24). Jesus is the new Moses and new David promised by the prophets, a divine shepherd-king sent to restore God’s priestly kingdom (see John 10:11). As Moses commissioned Joshua as his successor, so we see Jesus today

giving the Twelve His powers and authority (see Matthew 9:35; 10:1). In God's plan, they are to seek out the lost sheep of Israel first and then bring all nations into the fold (see Acts 13:46; Romans 1:16). Together we have been saved and reconciled to God, as we hear in today's Epistle. As He delivered Israel, He has also made us a kingdom of priests in the Church (see Revelation 1:6). So we come in this Mass to serve Him with gladness, to praise His kindness, which endures forever.

Announcements

1. Novena to Our of Consolata continues every day during all Masses and Rosary prayers after the 5.30pm Mass in the main Church. On 20th June, The Solemnity of Our Lady Consolata and the final day of the Novena, there will be a special Rosary and Candlelit procession after the 5.00pm Mass animated by Our Lady of Consolata SCC. All are welcome
2. The Consolata Shrine annual Family and Thanksgiving Day will be held next Sunday 21st June 2026. On this day, the usual Sunday morning Masses will be merged into one grand Eucharistic Celebration at 9.30 a.m to be presided over by **His Grace, Archbishop Philip Anyolo, the Nairobi Metropolitan Archbishop**. The occasion will also mark the official launch and blessing of the Strategic plan and the new Gate and Gatehouse Project, a modern development necessitated by the need to enhance the safety and security of our parishioners, as well as improve and regulate vehicle access within the Shrine compound. After Mass lunch will be served and there will also be a lot of fun and engaging activities for the children and the youth. Please note that the Saturday 5.00 p.m and Sunday 5.00 p.m Masses will continue as scheduled. We look forward to celebrating this great event with all of you.
3. Adults preparing for the Sacrament of baptism, those baptized in non-Catholic churches and wish to be received into the Catholic Church, Children aged 9 years and above

and Persons with special needs are invited to register in the Catechist's office during the week.

4. The Divine Mercy group ongoing formation class will be held today from 2.00pm to 3.00pm in room 3F, Allamano Centre. All are welcome
5. In honor of our Fathers and Father figures, Youth Serving Christ will be hosting a Fathers' day raffle sale next Sunday 21st June at the blue tent outside the Church. Please purchase a ticket for Ksh 100 and stand a chance to win a wonderful gift for the father figure in your life.
6. The Consolata Justice and Peace Department (CJPD) in collaboration with the Professionals Group, invites all Parishioners to a Town Hall discussion on the Finance Bill 2026 on Thursday 18th June 2026, from 6.00pm to 8.00pm in the Auditorium, Allamano Centre
7. The Jumuiya Coordination Team invites you to '*the Conso Charity Quiz Noon*' on Saturday 27th June 2026 from 1.30 pm to 4.30pm in the Auditorium, Allamano Centre at a cost Ksh 1,000. Come learn, laugh, test your knowledge and deepen your understanding of our Catholic Faith in a fun - filled way. There are also limited opportunities for you to advertise your business and even fewer for your business to sell. For more information and registration, kindly visit the desk at the blue tent outside the Church.

Wedding Bans:

There is a promise of marriage between:

1. *Laura Kaleha Kaisha & Alvaro Mahasi Masitsa (3rd Announcement)*
2. *Kelvin Maina Kamau & Velma Akinyi Otonde (3rd Announcement)*
3. *Gabriel Sado and Kuidja Kuidja Blandine Laure (2nd Announcement)*
4. *Pius Inzeku Mwilita and Anjelina Musikohe Beti (2nd Announcement)*

5. *Paul Kuhika Maina and Jennifer Muthoni Maina (2nd Announcement)*
6. *Joseph Kennedy Kadaji and Esther Nafula Odanga (2nd Announcement)*

Kindly visit the parish notice board for more information. If anyone has an objection, please notify the Father in Charge.

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