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BISHOP'S REFLECTIONS

THE PAST YEAR 2019, NEW 2020

2 Corinthians 4:15

All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is extending to more and more people may overflow in thanksgiving, To the glory of God.



Dear ones, it is my hope and prayer that each of you had a great 2019 and God continues to bless and keep you even in this new year **2020**. The path we have chosen, the cross of Christ that we have gladly taken upon ourselves does not promise a life free of trouble. Matthew 16:24, Jesus told His disciples: "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." and in John 15:20: "A servant is not greater than his master. If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you."

For this tough times we may expect God to block and prevent hardships or provide instant relief from all struggles, but God promised to walk alongside us through life lows and struggles. Hebrews 13:5 "Never will I leave you, nor will I ever forsake you." That is the promise God bequeaths each and everyone of us. **HE WILL NEVER FORSAKE US.**

That is the message, God will walk with us through our troubles, no matter what the devil may have thrown your way last year or problems and challenges you maybe facing this new year; remember that the life of a Christian is paved with many perils, hardship and struggles but the promise is that our God is right there in the midst of our darkest and lowest moment in our life; just like he is there in the brightest and lovely of days.

Ours is to be steadfast in our faith and always pray and look to him who is our rock and salvation. Friends I Thank the lord the past year I was able to visit our partners in the USA and we are working towards a few new frontiers. We are believing God for the resources to build a new worship sanctuary for **ACK Baddasa Parish**, finish our **Archers Post church** and also start on the first phase of the build for **St Andrews Boys Secondary School**. We are guided by our theme this year of **Wholesome Evangelism & Christian Formation**. We thank all our partners who have stood by us and continue to do so even now as we seek to conquer more and more frontiers for Christ. We cant falter, we cant step of the gas, we must soldier on whenever the call for carrying the banner of our Lord is sounded, we will heed no matter the cost until we win every soul for Christ and call of victory is sounded. Amen and may the lord bless and equip each one of us for the tasks he has set before us this year.

Your Brother In Christ

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ISIOLO ARCHDEACONRY

ACK Isiolo centre church 9/11/2019

Bishop Daniel Qampicha, Bishop Robert Martin, Ven Abraham Oche, Ven Michael Araru, Ven Mark Kargi and members of our clergy and evangelism team joined the faithful at Isiolo Centre church where over 100 were confirmed and new mothers were given Mother union Membership.



ACK St Peter's Church WASO 10/11/2019

The team ALSO joined the Waso Church faithful for Sunday mass, highlight included Ordination of Rev. John Lobei and Rev. Simon Cornwell, subscription of men into KAMA and finally dedication of the parish's first phase apartment flats.



Left-Right Rev. John Lobei being presented to Bishop to be ordained priest Rev. Simon Corwell taking the oath of the office of Deacon. Rev. Simon Cornwell and Rev. John Lobei are presented to the congregation. Church members congratulate the two ordained.



Left: KAMA Members being quizzed by Bishop before being given full membership. Right. Members receive their KAMA membership certificates.



LEFT. the team pose for a photo before then moving to dedicate ACK St. Peter's Church Waso vicarage flats, officially opening it for business. Its was all round a successful weekend.



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SOLOLO ARCHDEACONRY

CONSECRATION OF ACK AGAPE CHURCH BORI



The consecration of **ACK Agape BORI Church**, a little settlement of Christian believers surrounded by rocky mountains some 30KMs from Moyale town was a colourful and well attended ceremony. Bishop Daniel Qampicha, Ven. Michael Araru, local clergy, evangelists and a great number of local host attended. The lord has brought to fruition many years of planning and believing and now a sanctuary has been bestowed upon the Bori faithful. Hallelujah!

Many thanks and gratitude to the friends and partners who have shared in this vision and walked with the Bori faithful throughout this journey and this eventual fruition of all the work that has been put in.

The church also welcomed New members into Mother Union, Children and Adults were confirmed. Now begins the work of growing this flock steadily through mission and evangelism. Lets pray and ask God for breakthroughs for resources to support them with manpower and other resources. .



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Jomo Nderitu DYO

Diocesan Youth Co-ordinator

The attendance as per archdeaconry was as follow;

Sololo: 102 delegates

Isiolo: 95 but shot up to 150 on the last day.

Marsabit: 130 delegates



Marsabit Diocesan Youth Conference commonly known as imarika is a Swahili word for being steadfast (26/7).

Imarika is an annual event that brings together youths from across the Diocese for a whole week of intensive training and bible study. This year, the conference was held at the archdeaconry level. The Diocese has three archdeacons and so we had three conferences; as follows Sololo archdeaconry (2nd-6th December), Isiolo archdeaconry (9th-13th December) Marsabit archdeaconry (16th-20th December).

The 2019 iMarika Objectives

- **Exhort the delegates to stand firm in the gospel**
- **Challenge the delegates to respond to the great commission**
- **Impact knowledge towards wholesome growth and development**
- **Encourage unity and peaceful co-existence**
- **Interact with contemporary issues and challenges facing the youths**
- **Networking and synergy building among the youth who are from quite a**
- **Diverse range of cultures, experiences and setting**



Theme not ashamed Of the Gospel Rom 1:18

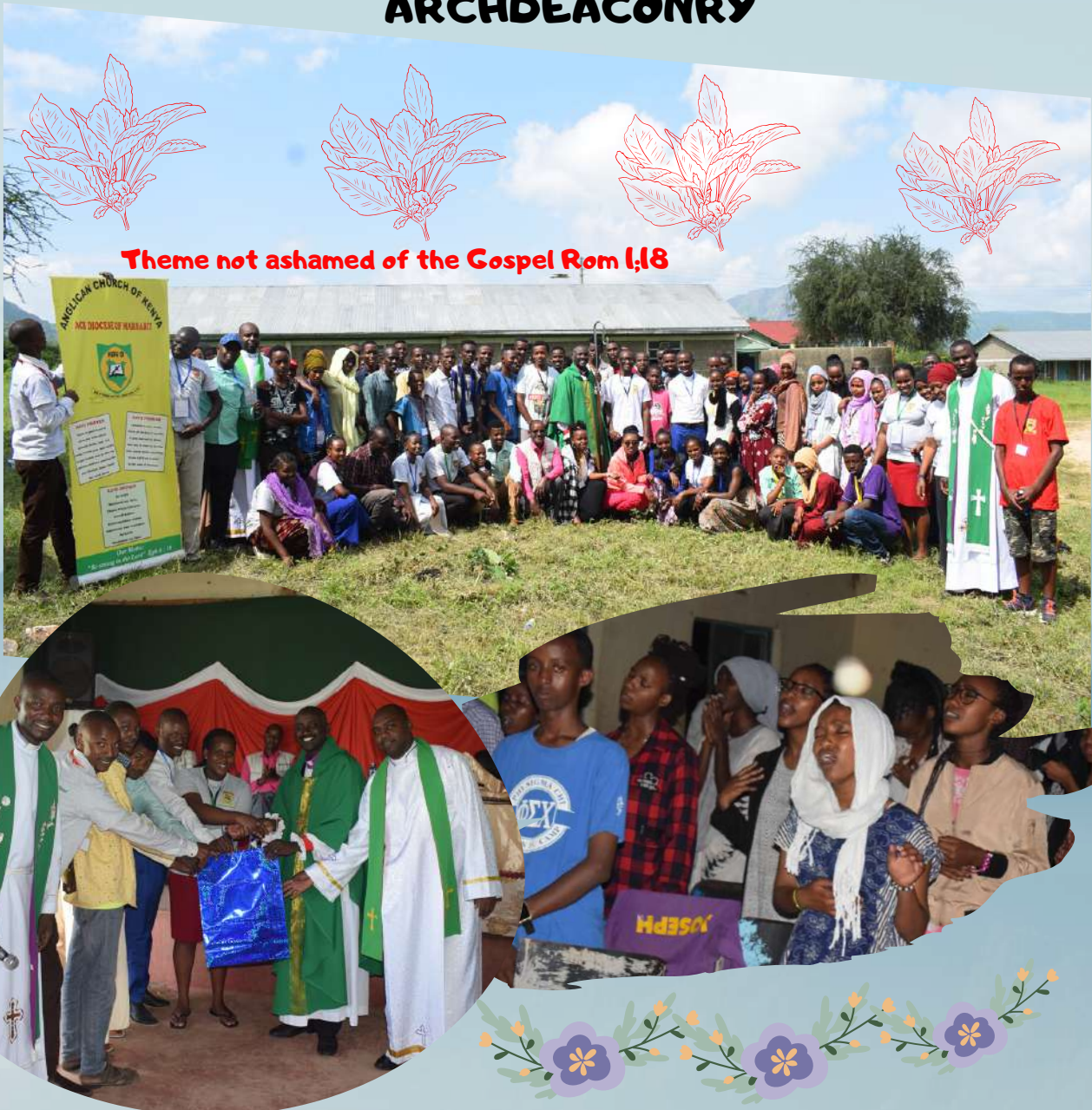
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IMARIKA 2019

SOLOLO

ARCHDEACONRY



Theme not ashamed of the Gospel Rom 1:18

The first of the three planned event kicked-off in Sololo Archdeaconry. The colourful event was official opened by Bishop Qampicha and graced by Ven. Michael Araru, and host Rev. Silas Ochola. Great blessing and wonderful teaching was imparted to participants who attended the event. We thank the lord for the calm and peace in that usually volatile area and it is our hope and prayer the young men and women who attended the event will go into their community and teach others all they have learnt.

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IMARIKA 2019

MARSABIT ARCHDEACONRY



Theme not ashamed of the Gospel Rom 1:18



THE second of three event was officially flagged-off by Bishop Qampicha, at Bubisa Parish Marsabit Archdeaconry, among attendees were St. Peter's Cathedral Provost Ven. Mark Kargi Denge, area clergy, evangelists, Mothers Union members and youth from all over the Diocese. Then followed a four day of rigorous learning, practising, discussing and enjoying the scriptures. The objective is to mould and prepare these young Christians to be strong, scriptural grounded pillars of our Anglican faith now and for the future.

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IMARIKA 2019

ISILO ARCHDEACONRY



Theme not ashamed of the Gospel Rom 1:16



Top; Bishop Daniel Gampicha and participants pose for a group photo.

LEFT; The participants Led by the Vicar. General Ven. Abraham Oche, Senior Pastor Rev. Peter Ekai, Rev Abraham Nchuluku and evangelists pose for a group photo.



Isiolo archdeaconry couldn't be left behind, A well attended and very productive four day training for the youth in Isiolo archdeaconry took place at ACK St Mark's Church Lowangila 16th-20th Dec 2019. We thank God for the provisions and the success of all this events and the great impact it will have on the participants and community at large. We also trust and pray for financial resources for this year's joint IMARIKA conference.

DEPARTMENT OF MISSIONS

PARTNERING WITH ANGLICAN AID TO EMPOWER OUR CHRISTIAN BROTHERS /
SISTERS AND NEW CONVERTS THROUGH SKILL DEVELOPMENT TANK
BUILDING; WORKING WITH POWER TOOLS AND OTHER SKILLS



Norm Gorrie
Diocesan Mission &
Evangelism
co-ordinator



Norm and his team strategise at the tank building site, ACK St. Peter's Cathedral compound in Marsabit.

The department of missions under the leadership of Mr. Norm Gorrie in conjunction with other Departments and a select steering committee have been looking into ways of imparting skills to Christian members, especially new converts who may be victimised in one way or another for their brave choice to accept and receive Christ as their Lord and Saviour. The Dept is very thankful to Anglican Aid for their backing of this pilot tank building and skills training project. The project seeks to generate revenue for mission & training, create employment and very importantly fight deforestation through setting up of a tree seedling nursery within the community.



A. Bishop Daniel Gampicha and church members take part in a dedication and prayer ceremony for the staff and tools for the tank build. B. Staff excavating tank build site C. Laying the tank foundation D. Norm & Staff members take time of the build to learn from the scriptures. E. Staff Member Luka Duuba posing next to the finished 25,000L tank.

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BRIGADE FOUNDER'S DAY



The Brigade Founders Day the first of its kind in our Diocese was held at Wings Academy Karare Parish on 30/11/2019. The event was hugely successful and brought together young people from all over of the Diocese. They learnt a lot and took with them valuable lessons. Special thanks to **Christ Anglican fellowship Orange County USA**, For all the support extended, we say thank you to the children's Event coordinator Rev. Lillian Lule for the good work and also FHI Marsabit for their invaluable support. Lets support this year's Diocesan program aimed at Children's Ministry. A fund-raiser is being planned and all your support, prayers and assistance will be appreciated.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



REV. Joseph Kesho
Diocesan Education
co-ordinator

Rev. Kesho and his team continue spearheading matters Education and we thank the lord for the Birth of Petro Oche Primary School at ACK st Peter's Cathedral compound in Marsabit. We are also heartened by the continuous posting of great results by our ACK sponsored schools in the national exams (KCPE) especially Tumaini academy in Sololo and St Paul's academy in Moyale. Last year the top Girl in Marsabit county was from Tumaini academy with L13/500 Marks. What encouragement and great success to look forward to as more and more of our students continue do well and show the fruits of our diocesan vision/strategy on education.



Top: Students learning in their new classrooms at the ACK Cathedral Marsabit compound



LEFT: Headteachers of ACK sponsored schools and other stakeholders pose for a photo with Bishop Qampicha after a fruitful reguvinating meeting.



The new renovated and upgraded classrooms now cater for students in the lower classes and currently continues to have intakes for many students. Our Prayer and hope is that it will grow and eventually blossom into a top institution of learning within Marsabit County.

DESERT LOCUST INVASION

We continue experiencing heavy rainy rainfall since late last year. The rains continue to wreck a lot of havoc on crops, animals, roads and even properties. This then coupled with desert locust invasion which attacked pasturelands and farms this year threatens a food security crisis. All is not lost and the government is trying to curb this great danger to food security and our Diocese as a stakeholder is looking into ways where through partnerships we can prepare for the effects of all this in the not so distance future.



Mark 1:6

And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;

Rom. 8:28

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose

Desert locusts have invaded 10 counties - Munya

In Summary

- The locust swarms have so far been reported in Mandera, Wajir, Marsabit, Garissa, Isiolo, Samburu, Baringo, Meru, Laikipia and Kitui counties as at Thursday.



Isaiah 41:10 So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand

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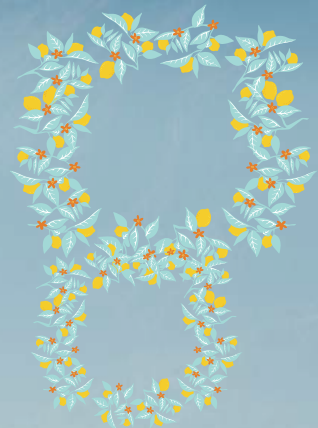
BISHOP MARTIN AND MAMA SUE VISIT

Proverbs 17:17 (KJV)7 A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

it is always a great Joy welcoming back Bishop Martin and Mama Sue whenever they visit. Late last year they visited and travelled to a number of archdeaconries. We are grateful for the support and friendship they have extended to us and all the friends and partners who have become part of our extended family through Bishop Martin and Mama Sue. **Asanteni Sana Mungu Awabariki (Thank you and God bless you).**



Bishop Qampicha, Bishop Robert Martin, Mama Sue and Deputy Governor Solomon Gubo join christian faithful at Marsabit St Peter's Cathedral where the new Diocesan Offices were official opened and newly purchased Mission Dept. power tools were conscrecrated and official given to staff.



Bishop martin and Mama sue accompanied Bishop Qampicha and the local clergy to Isiolo Archdeaconry where the took part in the ordination of Rev. John Lobei and deaconing of Rev. Simon Cornwell. The ceremony also included the enrolment of new KAMA members. Later that day the team led by Bishop Qampicha visited ACK St Peter's Waso Church where they dedicated the church's new vicarage apartment flats.

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Its from the bountiful harvest God bestows on us that we give for his work. This christian faithful from Kargi Parish give handsomely towards ministry funds from their livestock herd. Hallelujah! what an encouraging and blessing sight. Thank you and may God Replenish your stores and enable you to continue faithfully to give for work.



Members of KAMA Sagante Parish get together to fellowship and encourage each other.

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Hebrews 13:16

And do not neglect doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased

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Prayer Points

- **Lets pray for financial breakthroughs for all the planned Diocesan activities.**
- **Lets also remember to pray for all members of the body of Christ serving in different areas of the Diocese and the world.**
- **Lets Pray for peace and harmony in our Diocese, our Country Kenya and the whole world.**
- **Let's remember all the different Diocesan Dept programs, finances and our partners in ministry.**
- **We must pray and believe God will provide a cure for the scourge of corona Virus, other pestilence that is threatening the world.**
- **We pray for our country Kenya at this time when they are upcoming elections, BBI and heightened political temperatures, we pray for calm and amicable resolutions.**

Thanksgiving

- **We rejoice for all the small and big success we have had this past year. Laying foundation of a new Boys Secondary School, consecration of many new places of worship, increase in staff members and many others blessing small and great.**
- **We give thanks that we were able to support our Christian communities with foodstuffs and other amenities in time of drought and hardship.**
- **For all partners in ministry and friends whose continuous assistance gives us a steady and firm foundation to continue spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. We say Thanks**
- **For the relative peace we have enjoyed and we continue to pray for a lasting peace and harmonious living of all that share this Diocese as home.**
- **For the abundant rain, handsome harvest in the fields and pasture and water for our people and their animals we give thanks.**

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

