

VOICE OF HOPE



Bishop's Charge

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we reflect on recent months, we are deeply grateful for God's faithfulness in all our efforts. From successful missions in Hurri Hills, Turbi, and Kargi, where over 1,000 people were reached, to the ordination of new clergy, God has truly blessed our Diocese.

We give thanks for our missionaries, the newly ordained clergy, and the talents showcased during Mothers' Talanta Sunday. These milestones reflect the strength and unity of our congregation, as we continue to spread the Gospel and serve our communities.

On Education Day, we celebrated our students' achievements, reaffirming our commitment to supporting education and empowering young minds both spiritually and academically.

I also thank you for your prayers following the accident involving my family. Psalm 28:7 reminds us, "The Lord is my strength and my shield." His protection has been evident, and we are grateful.

As we look ahead, I urge our parishes to focus on self-sustainability, fostering growth through initiatives like savings and credit cooperatives. Together, we can build a stronger, self-reliant future for our Diocese.

In Christ's Service,

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Bishop, Diocese of Marsabit

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Diocesan Ordination at ACK St. Peter's Cathedral, Marsabit A Day of Celebration and Faith

On July 21, 2024, ACK St. Peter's Cathedral in Marsabit hosted a significant and vibrant diocesan ordination ceremony, graced by Bishop Dr. Qampicha Daniel Wario and Admi Canon Mark Kargi. This momentous event brought together faith and development partners from Friends of Marsabit, members of the House of Clergy, and a tremendous number of diocesan faithful from across the diocese.



CANON NORM GORRIE signs on, looking on chancellor John Behailu and other canons

The all-day event was a colorful celebration filled with joy and unity. Parish choir teams provided delightful entertainment, adding a melodious touch to the occasion.



Ordination Ceremony:

- **Deaconing:** The ceremony began with the deaconing of two candidates, Deacon Enock Sabansa and Marian Guyatu.
- **Priesting:** This was followed by the priesting of Rev. Amos, Rev. Samson, Rev. Samson Manman, and Rev. James Mugwe
- **Canonization:** The event culminated with the canonization of Canon Norm Bruce Gorrie, a long-serving Missioner in the diocese.



Sermon and Holy Sacrament:

- A thought-provoking sermon was delivered by a visiting reverend from the USA, inspiring all attendees.
- The ceremony concluded with a Holy Sacrament service, symbolizing the deep spiritual connection among the congregation.
- Luncheon at ACK St. Stephen Training Centre
- The celebrations continued with a luncheon at ACK St. Stephen Training Centre, providing an opportunity for fellowship and reflection on the day's significant events.
- This ordination ceremony was a testament to the strength and unity of the diocesan community, marking a day of spiritual growth and shared joy.

Diocesan Education Day at ACK St. Andrew's Boys, Badassa



Celebrating Academic Excellence

On July 20, 2024, ACK St. Andrew's Boys in Badassa hosted the Diocesan Education Day, a vibrant celebration graced by Bishop Dr. Qampicha Daniel Wario. The event brought together the Assistant Secretary of Kargi, faith and development partners from Friends of Marsabit,



members of the House of Clergy, and a tremendous number of diocesan faithful from across the diocese. As part of the commemoration, a tree-planting initiative was undertaken to symbolize our commitment to caring for God's creation, reminding us of our role as stewards of the environment.



Highlights of the Day

The day was filled with colorful celebrations and entertainment provided by parish choir teams, creating a joyful atmosphere for all in attendance.

Celebration of Academic Excellence:

- The Diocesan Education Day was dedicated to celebrating the outstanding performance of students from many diocesan-affiliated schools in the national exams last year.
- The schools, spread across the diocese from Isiolo to the border Moyale Archdeaconries, showcased their exemplary achievements, highlighting the commitment and hard work of both students and educators.



The Diocesan Education Day at ACK St. Andrew's Boys Badassa was a wonderful success, graced by both local and international partners. It was a colorful ceremony that celebrated the remarkable achievements of our students, teachers, and schools across the diocese. The event highlighted the fruits of hard work, dedication, and faith, reinforcing our commitment to quality education for all. As we continue to grow, we are reminded of Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." This scripture captures our mission to build strong educational foundations rooted in faith.

Celebrating the Success of Talanta Week and Talanta Sunday Service



We are delighted to share the wonderful success of Talanta Week, which took place during the week leading up to Talanta Sunday on August 4, 2024. This special initiative, led by mothers across our diocese, culminated in vibrant Mother's Union-led services from Isiolo, Marsabit and Sololo Archdeaconry . Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to all mothers for their incredible work in supporting families, strengthening bonds, and assisting the less fortunate. Their dedication to orphanages, prisons, hospitals, and caring for the elderly and sick is truly inspiring.

Reflecting on this amazing event, we are reminded of Proverbs 31:26-27
"She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness."

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported Talanta Week and Talanta Sunday. Your efforts have made a significant impact on our community.



Psalms 20:7

7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

Thank you for your GREAT heart!

KAMA (Kenya Anglican Mens Association)-ACK HOLY TRINITY HULA HULA PARTNERSHIP



Cathedral's KAMA's journey with the congregation of ACK Holy Trinity Hula Hula Church has been one of deep connection and profound discovery. The sister church is a few minutes from Marsabit town, and sits at the heart of a vibrant and dynamic community. Over the course of several visits, we have come to appreciate not just the warmth of the people but also the unique challenges they face—particularly the significant absence of men in the church. In the broader context of the Marsabit, Isiolo, and Sololo Archdeaconries, our mission has always been to foster spiritual growth through the formation of Kenya Anglican Men's Association (KAMA) groups. These fellowships have been a cornerstone of our efforts to build strong, family-oriented Christian communities. However, in Hula Hula, the active participation of men—both Morans and elders—has been notably lacking. Despite our best efforts, establishing a KAMA group here has been an uphill battle.



A Vision for Transformation

The absence of men in the church is a challenge we have encountered in other parts of the Archdeaconry as well, but it is particularly pronounced in Hula Hula. Yet, we believe that where there is challenge, there is also great opportunity. Our vision is to not only establish a strong KAMA group at ACK Holy Trinity Hula Hula but also to create a thriving Christian community where every member, regardless of age or gender, is actively engaged in the life of the church



To achieve this, we are shifting our focus to the younger generation—boys and girls who are already present in large numbers within the church and the surrounding community. By nurturing their faith from a young age, we can build a strong and vibrant church community. Our goal is to achieve at least a 60-80% conversion rate among the youth, setting a solid foundation for the future. This initiative, we believe, has the potential to create ripple effects across the Archdeaconry, particularly among the Rendile and Samburu communities.

Rethinking and Restructuring for Evangelical Success

The Apostle Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 9:22, "I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some." This scripture underscores the importance of adaptability in our evangelical mission. To effectively win souls and expand our reach in Marsabit and beyond, we must continuously rethink and re-strategize our approach. The challenges we face, including the growing influence of Islam in the region, require us to be both vigilant and innovative in our methods.

We must heed the call of Proverbs 11:30, "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise." The wisdom of soul-winning lies in our ability to understand the unique needs and dynamics of the communities we serve. As we witness the increasing foothold of Islam in Marsabit, it is imperative that we redouble our efforts to build strong, resilient Christian communities. This involves not only traditional evangelism but also addressing the social and economic needs of the people, particularly the youth, who are the future of the church.



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CHURCH MEMBERS

Are you Interested? get involved. Reach out and find how you can partner

Innovative Programs for Youth Engagement

To bring this vision to life, we are introducing a series of programs designed to attract and retain young people within the church:

- Sunday Feeding Program: A weekly initiative that provides meals to the children and youth attending church. This program not only meets a critical physical need but also encourages consistent participation in church activities.
- Skills Development Classes: Offering classes in music, art, craft, and beadwork to nurture the talents and skills of young people. These activities will be integrated into the church's broader mission to foster spiritual and personal growth.
- Games Kit: We plan to provide a kit with equipment for popular sports and recreational activities. Engaging in these activities will help foster a sense of community and teamwork among the youth.
- Youth Mentorship Programs: Partnering young members with mentors who can guide them in their spiritual journey as well as in life skills, career choices, and personal development.
- Cultural and Religious Education: Organizing sessions that explore both traditional and Christian values, helping the youth reconcile their cultural identity with their faith.
- Holiday Camps and Retreats: Immersive experiences during school holidays that focus on Christian living, fellowship, and personal growth, aimed at deepening the faith of the youth.



Call to Action

As we embark on this mission, we recognize that we cannot do it alone. We are reaching out to our faith and development partners around the globe to join us in this transformative journey. Whether you are an individual passionate about church growth or an organization committed to supporting Christian communities, your involvement can make a significant impact.

Is this something you are interested in? Are you passionate about church planting and fostering spiritual growth? We invite you to connect with us and explore how you can contribute to this vital work.

Here is the Diocesan Kama Contact; depcomack19@gmail.com

Together, we can build a strong, vibrant future for ACK Holy Trinity Hula Hula and the wider Marsabit community. Let's unite our efforts to create a church where every member plays an active role, and where the seeds of faith planted today will bear fruit for generations to come.

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DIOCESAN MISSION MONTH-AUGUST



Diocesan Mission to Northern Kenya: Reaching Hurri Hills, Turbi, Kargi and Surrounding Areas

The Diocese in August, concluded a powerful mission to Hurri Hills, Turbi, Kargi, and the surrounding areas, where over 40 missionaries from across the Diocese came together with one purpose: to share the gospel. Through open-air crusades, door-to-door evangelism, and nightly screenings of the Jesus Film, the missionaries were able to reach over 1,000 people with the message of Christ.

This mission was supported by the Diocesan Mission and Evangelism Department, with backing from the Bishop's office. Led by Bishop Qampicha Daniel Wario, the mission saw lives touched and communities encouraged. Under the guidance of Rev. Jomo Nderitu, Ven. John Maganjo, and with the influence of long-time evangelists like Canon Norm Gorrie, the mission reflected the Diocese's commitment to spreading the gospel far and wide.

The missionaries' dedication and the warm reception from the people in these remote areas are a testament to God's faithfulness. As the Diocese continues its outreach, we pray for lasting impact and continued spiritual growth in these communities.

we remain grateful for the support of its faithful congregants and leaders, and members from many of our churches, who played a vital role in ensuring the success of this mission.



PRAISE REPORT & THANKSGIVING



Bishop and Family Safe After Accident

On the evening of July 14, around 4-5 pm, our Bishop and his family were involved in a road accident. We are immensely grateful to God for His protection, as all involved have been treated and discharged, and are now safely recovering. Psalm 28:7 reminds us, "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and He helps me." Indeed, we have seen His hand of protection in this situation.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone for your prayers and support during this time. Your encouragement has been deeply felt and appreciated.



Praise Report: Empowering Self-Sustaining Churches

We give thanks for the continued commitment of our parishes to building self-sustaining and biblically focused communities. Through organizing and training, congregations are gaining valuable skills in program management, empowering them to address the root causes of human suffering and embrace self-reliance.

As our churches mobilize their resources and adopt long-term learning processes, we are witnessing remarkable progress toward sustainable solutions.

The shift from dependency to self-sufficiency is becoming a reality, with many parishes now actively exploring and strengthening savings and credit cooperatives.

We praise God for this transformation and for the dedication of our church communities in pursuing sustainable growth!



We are excited to share the wonderful news of our Bishop's new house, a blessing and testament to God's provision. This new home not only offers comfort and stability for the Bishop and his family but also stands as a symbol of the continued growth and unity within our Diocese. We are grateful for all who have supported this milestone and pray for God's abundant blessings upon this home.

OVERFLOWING GRATITUDE FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS

We are overflowing with gratitude for the many blessings that God has poured out upon our Diocese.

Recent missions to Hurri Hills, Turbi, and Kargi have been a tremendous success, reaching over 1,000 lives with the Good News through:

- Open-air crusades
- Door-to-door evangelism
- Nightly screenings of the Jesus Film

We give thanks to the tireless missionaries who served with dedication and to the Diocesan Mission and Evangelism Department for their excellent organization and support. These missions remind us of the transformative power of the Gospel, and we pray that the seeds planted will continue to grow.

Thanksgiving for the Bishop's Protection

We also offer heartfelt praise to God for His protection over our Bishop and his family following their recent accident. Their safe recovery is a testament to God's grace. We are deeply thankful for the prayers and support from the entire Diocese during this time.

Celebrating Self-Sustainability

In addition, we celebrate the growing movement toward self-sustainability in many of our parishes. The establishment of savings and credit cooperatives, along with the adoption of long-term development strategies, is empowering communities to take ownership of their futures. These initiatives are paving the way for sustainable growth that will benefit future generations.

Prayer Items

We humbly ask for your continued prayers for:

1. **Spiritual Growth:** That the communities reached during our recent missions will experience lasting spiritual growth, and that the Gospel will continue to take root in their hearts.
2. **New Clergy:**
3. For the **recently ordained clergy** as they begin their ministries, that they may be filled with wisdom, strength, and a heart of service.
4. **Self-Sustainability Efforts:** That our parishes will continue to embrace self-reliance and that the savings and credit cooperatives will flourish, bringing prosperity and growth to the communities.
5. **Diocesan Leadership:** For continued protection, guidance, and strength for our Bishop, clergy, and lay leaders as they shepherd the Diocese.

Upcoming Events

As we approach the final quarter of the year, we look forward to several key events:

1. **Clergy Chapter Meeting:** A special time for all clergy to come together for fellowship, prayer, and renewal, as we seek God's direction for the coming year.
2. **Diocesan Board meeting,** These meetings will focus on strategic planning and development of the Diocese, ensuring we continue to grow and serve our communities effectively.
3. **School Pastoral Programs:** We will be visiting schools across the Diocese to provide spiritual guidance and support to students, helping them grow in faith as they navigate their academic journeys.