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“This initiative shows what is possible when we work together,”
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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear AMDA Family,

With grateful hearts, we welcome you to the April 2026 edition of the AMDA Bulletin; an edition that finds us still basking in the grace of the Easter season.

The journey to Easter, which we recently marked as a family, was not merely a passage of time, but a spiritual invitation; to die to self and rise anew in Christ. As we reflected during Palm Sunday, our faith is lived most authentically not in grand gestures alone, but in the quiet, consistent acts of love, sacrifice and unity that define our daily lives. This spirit continues to shape who we are as AMDA.

This month's bulletin captures that very essence. At its heart is the remarkable milestone of the launch of the 12th AMDA Caravan. This year's Caravan will take place

4th - 6th September 2026 in St. Claret Parish Nyabwina.

We also reflect deeply on the theme of rethinking education development. The call is clear: education must not only inform the mind, but also form the heart, nurture character and prepare individuals to serve society with integrity and faith.

In this edition, you will find inspiring reflections from our Chaplain, message from the AMDA Chairperson and highlights of recent activities of our councils and communities.

May the joy of the Risen Christ remain with you and your families.

Turibamwe omuri Kristu.

Agatha A. Siima

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CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTIONS

**Sande ya 4 Omumazooka, 26.04.2026 A (Sande y'Orweto, Sande y'Omuriisa Murungi)
Kristo Omuriisa Murungi, omanya entaama ze!
Entumwa 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Petero 2:20b-25; Yohaana 10:1-1**



A bakundwa omuri Kristo, Erizooba nitushoma Sande y'Omuriisa murungi eyatorainwe kuba Sande y'okushabira orweto omunsi yoona; erizooba nitujaguza ekigyendererwa ekyo omurundi gwa 63. Nitushaba ngu baingi babaase kuhurira eiraka rya Kristo Omuriisa murungi, kandi baikirize kubagana ahabutumwa bwe barikumutooreza. Nitushaba ngu Mukama ayongyere abakozi omw'igyesha rye ahabw'okuba eby'okugyesha ni bingi kwonka abagyesi ni bakye. Omubaro gw'abasaserdooti n'abanyadiini omunsi yoona, namunonga omumahanga ga Buraaya na Amerika nigweyongyera kukyendeera munonga. Abantu baingi baine eiriho n'enjara y'ekigambo kya Mukama, n'amasakramentu, n'okuhumurizibwa omumutima. Ebifo (pariishi) bingi bikingirwe ahabw'eibura ry'abasaserdooti. Amashomero maingi n'ebindi bitongore nk'amarwariro agaabaire gebemberwa abanyadiini bikingirwe ninga byagaruka omumikono ya Gavumenti, haza okwegyesa ediini kwakoma aho.

Omuri Africa titurikurahuka kuhurira eibura ry'abasaserdooti ahabwokuba

tukiine eminyeeto erikwakiira orweto rw'obunyadiini, kandi tukiine abashaija n'abakazi abarikwehayo kuheereza nk'abashomesa ba Kateerangoma. Baitu twaba tutegyendesereize nitubaasa nyentsya kuba nk'aba Buraaya na Amerika.

Nitusiima Mukama okureeba ngu tukiine eminyeeto erikwakiira eiraka rya Mukama kuheereza omubunyadiini. Baitu twijukye ngu abo nabo nibashanga oburemeezi omukwakiira orweto ahabw'enshonga nka: obworo, amaka mabi, eby'empurizana by'omumwanya na karimagyezi (Social Media), okutwaratwarwa eby'ensi, okubura eby'okureeberaho birungi, n'ebindi nk'ebyo.

Ruhanga nayeta, kwonka orweto nirwetaaga kwetabwa, rukoosorwa kandi rukakuzibwa. Nitwetwa kushemeza amaka gaitu ngu gabaase kwana embibo nungi eziraarugyemu orweto. Nitushabwa kuha obuhwezi abo abarikwetaba eiraka rya Mukama kuza omumatendekyero g'obusaserdooti n'obunyadiini, tukabahangaana, tukabahwera, tukabahabura, kandi tukaborekyerera. Twijukye ngu ebijuma birungi (enyeto) nibiruga aha muti murungi (eka).

Kristo Omuriisa murungi namanya entaama ze, nazeeta (nizimuhurira, zimwetaba ahabw'okuba nizimanya eiraka rye), naziriisa, nazebeembera, nazirinda, kandi nahayo amagara ge ahabwazo. Nitwetwa kwetaba eiraka rye, tukamutooreza, kandi naitwe tukaba abariisa barungi ahari abo abaatukwatsiibwe. Nitwetwa kweshaasha, kandi tukwekyehesa, tukeehayo kuheereza kutari kuheerezibwa.

Ninsiima aba Boston High School abatebekaniise okushoma kwaitu kw'erizooba. Mukama abahe omugisha kandi abaasise eishomero eryo okukora gye, rikatendeka abebembezi ba nyensya, nangwa hakarugamu n'abanyadiini!

Mukama agume naimwe!

*Fr. Darius
Magunda.*

AMDA Chaplain

MESSAGE BY AMDA CHAIRMAN

Dear People of God,

I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the AMDA Executive Committee and on my own behalf, I warmly welcome you to the April Mass of 2026. We are deeply honored to have our main Celebrant and co-celebrants with us today, leading us in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Special appreciation goes to the community of Boston High School for animating this Mass under the theme “Thinking Education Development.” Your participation demonstrates that at Boston High School, holistic education is not just a goal but a way of life—nurturing academic excellence alongside emotional, social, physical, moral, and spiritual growth. We are truly grateful for your presence and prayers.

As AMDA continues to grow from strength to strength, I remind all members to uphold our seven pillars in every endeavor: Unity, Spiritual Development, Leadership Development, Economic Empowerment, Education Development, Health & Wellness, and Environmental Sustainability.

This month, we have witnessed remarkable progress through activities aligned with these pillars:

■ **7th April: A Men’s online talk show** on relationships, offering valuable insights into building strong family bonds that foster stability, emotional support, and financial growth.

■ **12th April:** Another **Men’s online talk show** on the benefits of PSA testing, particularly for men over 40, emphasizing



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proactive health care. We thank the Men’s Council for their initiative.

■ **Weekly Fitness Day:** The men have launched a fitness program every Thursday at Satellite Hotel, Kisaasi. This effort promotes health, fitness, and meaningful networking.

■ **17th April: A landmark day** with Launch of the AMDA Caravan 2026 to St. Claret Parish, Nyabwina at Hotel Africana. The event was graced by Her Excellency the Vice President of Uganda, Jesca Alupo, alongside ministers Maj. Gen. Kahinda Otafire, minister of internal affairs and Hon. Mwebesa Francis, Minister of Trade Industry and Cooperatives. We presented a budget of Ushs. 673m and successfully mobilized Ushs. 243m in cash and kind. Heartfelt thanks to all who contributed.

This year’s Caravan will be unique, focusing on projects with lasting community impact: infrastructure development at St. Thomas Secondary School (a Computer Lab and dormitory), alongside a medical camp with specialized clinics. We call upon all members to join upcoming activities to raise additional resources for effective implementation.

Looking ahead, May brings several important activities:

■ **Month of the Holy Rosary: Daily Rosaries** led by different families, guided by the Spiritual Council. Let us unite in prayer, for a family that prays together stays together.

■ **1st May: A Sports Gala organized by the Youth and AMDA Family 3** to strengthen the pillar of Unity. Venue to be communicated.

■ **8th–10th May:** Annual Pilgrimage to Kibeho, Rwanda. Participants are encouraged to follow travel guidelines and attend preparatory briefs.

■ **13th May:** Online session for married couples.

■ **13th–16th May:** Representation at the **diocesan laity meeting** in Mbarara.

We look forward to your active participation in these activities.

May you all have a blessed Sunday and a joyful week ahead.

Turibamwe Omuri Kristu!!

Chris Gumisiriza
AMDA Chairman

REMARKS BY MR. GASTONE BAGUMA

Founder and Executive Director, Boston High School - Mpala (BOHISM), Guest speaker at the AMDA monthly Holy Mass



Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Our main celebrant and reverend fathers present; our beloved chaplain; our AMDA chairman and executive committee; our parish coordinators, who carry the voice of the sixty-six parishes of our beloved Mbarara Archdiocese; fellow members of the AMDA family; our warmly welcomed guests; and, above all, my dear young people of Boston High School, Mpala, who are animating this sacred liturgy today. Mwebare munonga. Mukama nabakunda.

Allow me to begin with a small confession. I walked around our school compound in Mpala for a whole evening, asking myself one question: if education in Uganda is not producing the Uganda we prayed for, who is to blame, and who must change? I could not sleep that night. By morning, I had understood one thing: our theme, rethinking education development, is not a conference title. It is a mirror. Every one of us in this room is standing in front of it.

I come before you this morning, therefore, not as a preacher, for that is not my calling, but as a fellow member of this AMDA family, holding up that mirror with you.

On behalf of my wife and co-

founder, Mrs Sylvia Baguma, and the entire BOHISM family, I thank God, I thank our chairman and executive committee, and I thank every one of the more than three thousand AMDA brothers and sisters across Kampala, Entebbe, Mukono, Wakiso and Jinja who make this Association what it is, for the honour of animating this last-Sunday Mass of April. We step humbly into a beautiful tradition, carried so well in March marrieds. Today, it is the turn of Boston High School, Mpala, to take the baton.

Consider for a moment where we are gathered. We are not in a borrowed hall. We are in our house, AMDA Rubaga House, which we have prayed for, laboured for, and are still raising, stone by stone, since 2015. There is something moving in that. A conversation about rethinking education development is being held inside a building that is itself a quiet testimony to what this Association can build when faith, patience and sacrifice walk hand in hand. The walls around us are not silent. They are already preaching the answer to our theme.

This theme is not new to AMDA. Education development is one of the seven pillars on which our Association was founded, alongside unity, spiritual development, economic empowerment, leadership, health and wellness, and environmental sustainability. More than thirty years ago, our founders understood a truth we must never forget: the total transformation of a person cannot happen without education, and education, rightly understood, is itself an act of faith.

This theme is not abstract to me either. In 2006, my wife Sylvia

and I, together with a small team of professional teachers, founded Boston High School on Entebbe Road, one kilometre off the Nkumba-Mpala stage, in a quiet corner of Bubuli Zone that we believed was fit for the concentration of a young mind. This year, BOHISM turns twenty. Twenty years of staff meetings. Twenty years of parents' queries. Twenty years of watching a nervous Senior One at the gate become a confident Senior Six at the podium. Twenty years of one vision, to become a world-class centre of academic, moral and co-curricular excellence, and one mission, to produce morally upright citizens who are innovative, self-reliant, and capable of positively transforming their communities and the world. The question that keeps me awake, if I am honest with you, is the same question our theme asks: are we still doing it well enough?

Three voices have been helping me answer that question.

The first is the voice of the Church. Just six months ago, our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, the successor of the late Pope Francis of happy memory, issued an apostolic letter titled Drawing New Maps of Hope. In it, he calls the whole Church to, I quote him briefly, 'inaugurate a new season that speaks to the hearts of the younger generations, reuniting knowledge and meaning, competence and responsibility, faith and life.' I have read that sentence many times. It is, for me, a whole curriculum in a single breath.

The second is the voice of our continent. In 2024, the African Union declared a Year of Education, and launched a Continental Education Strategy

for Africa for 2025 to 2034. Africa is saying, at last, what every African parent has whispered for generations: she must educate her own sons and daughters for the Africa she is becoming, not for the Africa somebody else imagined for her.

The third is the voice of an African teacher whose words are older than many of us in this room, yet more urgent than this morning's newspaper.

Almost sixty years ago, just across our border, our neighbour Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, the first President of Tanzania and a servant of God whose cause for beatification was opened by the Catholic Diocese of Musoma in 2005, wrote a small but fierce essay titled Education for Self-Reliance. In it, he asked Africa a question she is still answering today: what is the purpose of our education?

He warned that we had inherited a system designed to train clerks for somebody else's empire, and that Africa would never develop until her schools stopped producing graduates who despised the soil their mothers hoed. He insisted that African education must form the whole person, must serve the community, and must produce young men and women who are independent in mind, responsible in character, and rooted in the realities of their own people. My dear family, Nyerere wrote that essay almost six decades ago. Read it again this week, and you will find that he was not writing to Tanzania in 1967. He was writing to us, here in this room, in 2026.

If the Church, the continent, and Mwalimu Nyerere are speaking with one voice, what remains for AMDA, for BOHISM, and for every Catholic who hails from Mbarara Archdiocese, is simply this: to listen, to rethink, and to act.

Let me offer you three small reflections towards that rethinking.

My first reflection is this: education must be rooted

before it is routed. **A tree that is not rooted does not travel far; it merely falls far. At BOHISM, we have chosen the motto Diligence for Excellence deliberately, because diligence is not a speed, it is a spirit.**

Our elders say it beautifully: Kamwe kamwe nigwo muganda, one stick at a time makes the bundle. A school is not built in a term. A nation is not built in an election cycle. A family of three thousand AMDA members is not built in a day. Our 2025 UCE and UACE results, which our learners recently celebrated, reminded us of the same truth: a good grade, a good child, a good citizen, each is the slow, patient harvest of deep roots.

My second reflection is this: education must be communal before it is personal. There is a proverb I often return to: Ageteeraine nigo gaata eigufa, waters that flow together can break even a bone. No school, no parent, no parish can form a child alone. Pope Leo XIV himself reminds us that no one educates alone. The AMDA saying we cherish, that a family that prays together, stays together, is also the secret of every good school: a school that prays together, builds together, graduates together, and transforms a nation together.

My third reflection is perhaps the most difficult, and it is the very one Mwalimu Nyerere pressed upon us sixty years ago: education must be vocational before it is occupational. An occupation is what fills your hands; a vocation is what fills your soul. Our young people today do not merely need jobs; they need missions. They do not merely need skills; they need purpose. This is why at BOHISM we hold firmly to one philosophy: every learner is capable of excelling when placed in the right environment and the right company. It is why we welcome children of every denomination on our Catholic foundation, in the very spirit of ecumenism that AMDA itself proudly proclaims.

We are not trying to produce clever examinees. We are trying to form whole persons, disciplined, God-fearing, creative, and ready to carry this country on their shoulders.

My dear young people, hear me for a moment.

You are not the future of this nation; you are already its present. The world will try to tell you that your worth is measured in grades, in followers, in gadgets, in prom photos. Do not believe it, not even for one minute. Your worth is measured in the image of God stamped upon your soul, and in the use you make of the gifts He has placed in your hands. When you choose honesty over shortcut, discipline over drift, prayer over pride, you are already rethinking education, in the only classroom that ultimately matters: the classroom of your own heart.

My dear AMDA family, my dear guests, hear me too.

After this Mass, please come and greet our learners; they have travelled to sing for you, and they would love to shake your hand. When you are next on Entebbe Road, turn off at the Nkumba-Mpala stage, and come and see us at Boston High School, Mpala. Come and see what twenty years of Diligence for Excellence looks like in the faces of young people whose parents sacrificed their last shilling to place them in our care. Come and partner with us, because kamwe kamwe nigwo muganda, the bundle of Catholic education in Uganda is still being tied, and your stick, yes, your stick, is still needed.

Brothers and sisters, I began this morning by telling you that our theme is a mirror. Let me end by telling you what I see in it.

I see a Church that refuses to hand her children over to the algorithm. I see a continent that has finally stopped apologising for her own classrooms. I see an Association, AMDA, that has quietly built more than a Rubaga House; it has built a generation

of Catholics who still believe that education is a holy act. I see a school, BOHISM, that at twenty years old is not tired, but only just beginning. Above all, I see young people in this very room whose names, twenty years from now, will be spoken as the teachers, the priests, the doctors, the farmers, the mothers and the fathers who rebuilt this nation on the rock that is Christ.

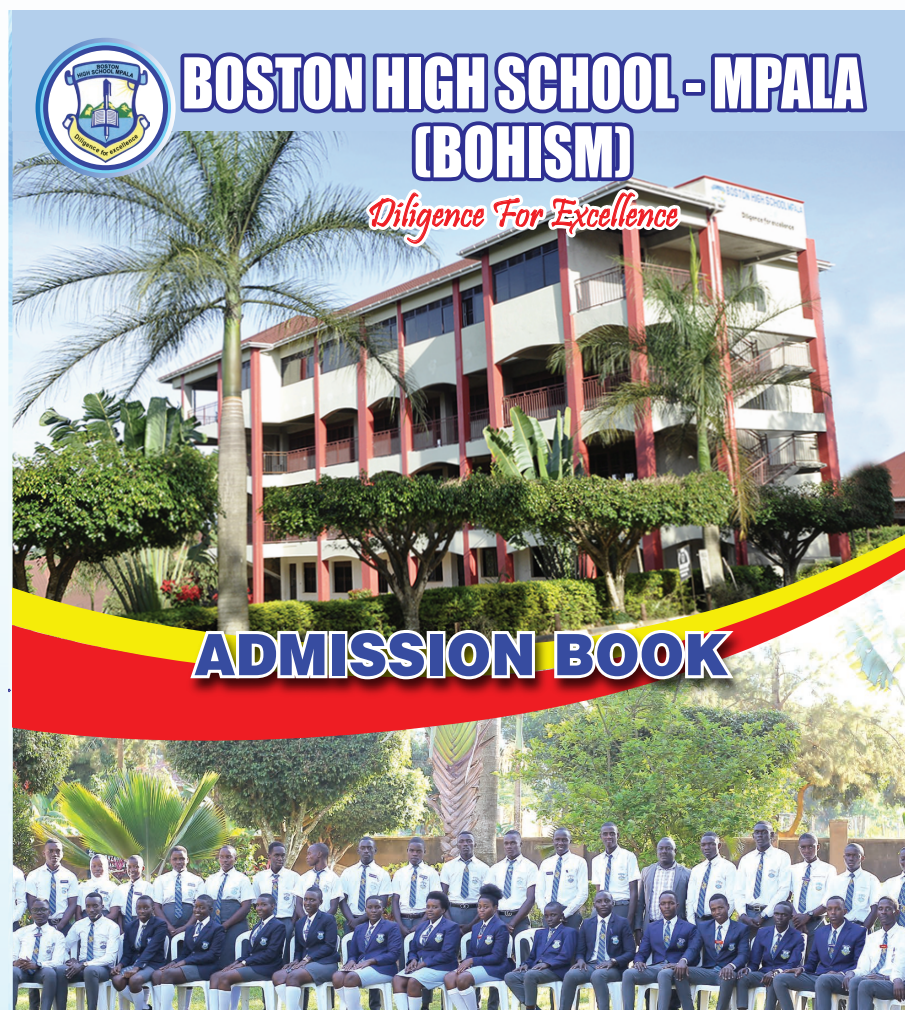
If that is what we see, let us not

leave this house the way we came. Let us leave it changed. Let us leave it rooted, not merely routed. Let us leave it communal, not merely personal. Let us leave it vocational, not merely occupational. And let us leave it with one prayer on our lips: that the Lord who began this good work in our Archdiocese, in our Association, and in our schools, may bring it to completion on the day of Christ Jesus.

May God bless the Archdiocese of Mbarara. May God bless AMDA. May God bless Boston High School, Mpala. And may God bless each one of you, and the noble work of all your hands.

**Mukama abarinde.
Mwebare munonga.**

Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**



OUR ACADEMIC GIANTS

UCE 2023 RESULTS			
No	Candidate Name	AGG	Div
1	Kateregga Rogers Ivan	11	1
2	Ssenyonjo Marvin	11	1
3	Byamukisa Joel Jotham	11	1
4	ankunda Allan	12	1
5	Musau Dan Kipsang	12	1

UCE 2022 RESULTS			
No	Candidate Name	AGG	Div
1	Ainembabazi Gilbert	13	1
2	Tusuubira Nisha Nakanjako	13	1
3	Mikisa Joseph Blessed	15	1
4	Ashaba Brian	15	1
5	Idakun Bisaleri Emma	15	1

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Order of HYMNS

PRELUDE:

BWANA AMEFUFUKA

*Bwana amefufuka alaluya alaluya
Bwana amefufuka alaluya alaluya*

1. Enyiwau wote furahi ni wote,
Kristu kafufuka kweli ni mzima
2. Kamshinda adui, adui shetani
Ametuletea wokovu milele
3. Kristu alisema, alisema kweli
Kisha siku tatu nitafufuka.

COME TO THE LORD

Come to the Lord with a song in your heart.

For the Lord, our God is good!

Shout out your praises for all that he's done;

Give him glory as you should.

1. Come before his altar rejoicing,
Beat the drum and strum the guitar,
Let cymbals sound out the new we've found out,
For he loves us as we are.
2. Praise him for his loving kindness,
Praise him for his outstretched arm,
He shields us from any kind of foe,
And keeps us safe from harm.
3. Dwelling in his shadow is comfort,
Loneliness we need not fear,
We are the sheep whom the shepherd keeps
safe, And warm and ever near.

ENTRANCE:

YAZOOKA YAGARUKAARUKA

Yazooka Yagaruka Omufeera nsi

1. Omubwire bw'akasheshe, nibukyenjuuka
Obwo nyamufu nyakuzikwa, yaziikuuka aa
2. Abalinzi b'obutuuro bagwa nazooka
Baimuka bataine bigambo bashobooka
3. Nanyabaitse b'omukundwa nibakye Kita
Bamanya ngu yazooka baza kwetomboita
4. Obwo haija nabasyara nibatangara
Babuza nabo nyabigambo byajanjara
5. Omuteganda Simon atagandaire
Aija na Yohana bashanga kyarangaire
6. Abakundwa be kizooka batatondaine
Abatahamu bamureeba berundaine
7. Bagateera Toma yaija empaaka zaita
Abashubaho nyakuzooka beeringiita
8. Empaka za Tooma nk'enzi tuzihanguure

Itwe twesiigye nyamuzooki atwebembeire

KYRIE:

MUKAMA TUSASIRE

GLORIA:

EKITINWA BASHOBORA

T+B: Ekitiinwa kibe omu iguru ahari Ruhanga

*All: N'obusingye bube omunsi aha bantu abasiimwa
Ruhanga*

Ekitiinwa kibe omu iguru ahari Ruhanga

1. Nitukuhaisa, nitukusiima, nitukuramya,
nitukuhimbisa, Ekitiinwa...
2. Nitukusingiza ahabw'ekitiinwa kyawe kyingi,
Ekitiinwa...
3. Mukama Ruhanga, Omugabe w'eiguru, Ruhanga
omushoboorozi wa byona. Ekitiinwa...
4. Mukama Mwana omwe Nyamunegyere, Yesu
Kristo. Ekitiinwa...
5. Mukama Ruhanga, Kataama ka Ruhanga, Mwene
Patri, Ekitiinwa...
6. Iwe oihaho ebibi by'ensi, otusaasire. Ekitiinwa...
7. Iwe oihaho ebibi byensi, yakiira okweshengyereza
kwaito, Ekitiinwa...
8. Iwe oshutami aha buryo, otusaasire; Ekitiinwa...
9. Manya niwe wenka, omuhikiriire, niwe Mukama
wenka; Ekitiinwa...
10. Niiwe wenka ori ahaiguru ya byona, Yesu
Kristo, Ekitiinwa...
11. Hamwe na Mutima Muhikiriire omu kitiinwa kya
Ruhanga Patri; Amiina Ekitiinwa...

MEDITATION:

Responsorial Psalm Chant

GOSPEL ACC:

ALLELUIA HIMBISA MUKAMA

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia aa Himbisa Mukama iwe
magara
g'angye*

1. Ekgambo kyawe, Mukama kirangirirwe
Kiranganwe buziima ahantu hoon
2. Omutima gwangye, Mukama gube obutaaho
bwawe Nkwehimbizise mu, nyakundokora
3. Ekgambo kyawe, kiruzire kine omuranzu
Kyeimbise boona, abaakwehitya
4. Tukwevugire, twemurikye, tukuhimbise,
Karamare singa omu nsi n'omwiguru.
5. Ekgambo kyawe kiine amagara nikikora,
Kinanura boona abakwesiga.



Order of HYMNS

6. Tumuhimbise Alleluia, Alleluia,
Himbisa Mukama iwe magara gangye.

CHILDREN OFFERTORY: AGUTAMBA W'AMAANI

*Agutamba w'amaani tumuhaise,
Agutamba w'engozi tumusiime.*

1. Nganda z'ensi musiime muhweyo;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Alimweta Agutamba ahikyahwo;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
2. Ndaatebyaga Agutamba ntahoirwe;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Akaleecu nuwe ogu nyomiire;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
3. Ensi yaitu ekatunga ekitiinisa;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Ekateekwa mu baana tuzarwa;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
4. Ensi yaitu ekatunga ekitinisa;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Abo bange mbazaara ndahiire;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
5. Okasaasa yasaasa Muhiira;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Kandi byoona oyemwaho Malaika;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
6. Okayonka yakwata, yahimba;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Ego bambi akahimba, yaheeka;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.
7. Alimweta Agutamba ahikyaho;
Omuhangi ka murungi
Akatamba mu byoona atifaaho;
Ego w'engonzi w'engonzi.

YOUTH OFFERTORY:

DUTURIRE IMANA NTABURYARYA

*Nimuze duture Imana kubyo yaduhaye
Nimuze n'umutima mwiza ntaburyarya
Duturu ituro lyacu imbere y'Imana Data.*

1. Umugati turawugutuye Mana Data
Divayi turayigutuye yakire
Byose ubyakire natwe uduhe Mugishaa
2. Ubuzima turabugutuye Mana Data
Ibyacu turabigutuye byakire
Byose ubyakire natwe uduhe Mugishaa
3. Kiliziya yawe turayigutuye Mana Data
Abayo turakwituye twakire
Twese utwakire maze uduhe umugisha
4. Abababaye bose turabagutuye Mana Data

Indembe turazigutuye twumve Dawe
Bose ubakire maze ubahumulize

5. Imbaraga zacu turazigutuye Mana Data
Natwe turakwituye twakire
Dawe zitwongerere twese tugukorere
6. Igihugu cyacu turakigutuye Mana Data
Abacyo turabagutuye bakire
Twese utwakire maze udukomeze
7. Byakire turabigutuye Mana Data
Byakire tuabugutuye byakire
Byose ubyakire natwe uduhe Mugishaa

WOMEN OFFERTORY:

POKEA BWANA (Bazilio Arinda)

Pokea Bwana Pokea

Pokea Sadaka yetu

Pokea Bwana Pokea

Pokea Sadaka yetu

1. Tumeleta Mkatu tumeleta Divai
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
2. Tumeleta Vipaji, tumeleta mazao
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
Tumeleta upendo, tumeleta ibada
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
Baba tunakusifu ewe uheshimiwe
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
3. Kama Ibrahimu na Abeli mpendwa
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
Tumeleta sadaka, tumeleta shukrani
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
4. Tumeleta dhahabu, tumekuja na fedha
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
Tumeleta mavuno, tumeleta wanyama
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
5. Tunajisalimisha, Baba tusaidie
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka
Nasitupe Baraka ebu utuongoze
Bass: Baba tunakusifu
Baba tunakuomba, Baba poka



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MEN OFFERTORY:

BABA TUNALETA VIPAJI

Sop: Baba tunaleta vipaji twakuomba sana pokea

All: Baba tunaleta twakuomba sana pokea

Sop:

Twaja kushukuru kwa yote unayotujalia wanao

All: Baba tunaleta twakuomba sana pokea

Sop: Baba tunasema...All: Asantex2

Alto: Kutupa uzima.....All: Asantex2

Tenor: Kwa kutukombo...All: Asantex2

Kutuweka huru...All: Asantex2

1. Mkate na divai twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
Ndiyo kazi yetu wanao twakuomba sana pokea
2. Mazao ya mashamba twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
3. Hata ni kidogo twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
4. Nazo fedha zetu twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
Utupe baraka twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
5. Pia nyoyo zetu twaleta twakuomba sana pokea
Japo ni dhaifu twaleta twakuomba sana pokea

OFFERTORY PROCESSION:

MUKAMA OYAKIIRE EGI MITOJO

(Fr. Augustine Kahiigi)

Mukama oyakiire egi mitoiyo

y'abaana baawe, Omugati na Viini,

Mukama oyakire ebi bihongwa

by'abaana baawe,

Twabireeta n'omutima gwa rukundo.

1. Omugaati hamwe na Viini twabireeta kubitoija.
Bituretera amagara g'obutwire
Obyakiire Nyamuhanga.
2. Ebihongwa byaitu byona, twabireeta kubitoija.
Bituretera amagara g'obutwire
Obyakiire Nyamuhanga
3. Ebitungo byaitu byona, twabireeta kubitoija.
Bituretera amagara g'obutwire,
Obyakiire Nyamuhanga
4. Egi mitoiyo y'erizooba, twakireeta kugitoija.
Ogisiime nk'ekitambo ky'Abel,
Ogyakiire Nyamuhanga.
5. Twayetamba n'egyo mitoiyo, twagireeta kugitoija.
Otusaasire ebishobyo byaitu byona,
Ogyakiire Nyamuhanga.
6. Ogwo Muhongi w'ekitambo, twabireeta kubitoija.
Atutungise ebirungi by'obutwire Obyakiire

Nyamuhanga.

SANCTUS:

MUHIKIRIIRE HOSSANA

//Muhikiriire Hossana

Muhikiriire Hossana

Muhikiriire Hossana

Haiguru Hossana //2

Iguru n'ensi Hossana

bijwire Hossana

ekitinisa kyaawe Hossana

Haiguru Hossana //2

Hossana

Haiguru

Hossana//3 x 2

Hossana //2

W'omugisa ogu Hossana

Arukwija Hossana

omwibara ryawe Hossana

Haiguru Hossana //2

AGNUS:

KATAAMA KA RUHANGA - RUTORO

Kataama ka Ruhanga iwe nyakwihaho ebibi
byensi Kataama ka Ruhanga, otuganyire.

Kataama ka Ruhanga iwe nyakwihaho ebibi
byensi Kataama ka Ruhanga, Otuhe obusinge

HOLY COMMUNION:

MUTEERANE TUBUTAAHE.

(Benedicto K. Mubangizi)

1. Muteerane tubutaahe,
Obugyenyi bwa nyamuhanga
Atwetsire kibutaatsya,
Obugyenyi bwa nyamuhanga
Ohairi kaada ni yezu,
Obugyenyi bwa nyamuhanga
Nyamweha-boona-kuriibwa,
Obugyenyi bwa nyamuhanga
2. Omugabe w'ensi n'eiguru,
Egaburo yaitu acookire,
Amafura gye tumwetabe,
Obugyenyi bwe tubwijuze,
3. Nyamwecwa-mbagwa kuriibwa,
Aheereza ensi rukundo,
Orya rukundo ya Yezu,
Abanza yaamara kwera,
4. Ebishobyo byaitu by'eigomi,
Bicumita Yezu nk'endiga,
Ebyo birereerwe nyabura,
Emitima yaitu agyeze gye,



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5. Ayenza twena rukundo,
Eteerane na busingye,
Abaine rwango emirwe ensi,
Omuntu n'ondi bajwane,
6. Aha bugyenyi obu twaizire,
Omunyarukundo atwegyese,
Oburya-kumwe tubwigute,
Omu magara butwombekye,
7. Tutooreza Nyamutambwa,
Otweha weena kuribwa,
Endiira ye teshoroora,
Enganda zoonza turi-aha,
8. Omu bumwe bw'okuriisibwa,
Mutima-gumwe-atunyanise,
Emitima yaitu etaahane,
Enteetere z'omukundano.

BUGYENYI BW'OMUKAGO **(Benedikto K. Mubangizi)**

Chrs:

1. Obugyenyi bw'omukago gwa Kristo,
Yaataweta twaija kubutaaha
Obutwaija mbwenu, turi aha bugyenyi
Bwa Mukama Yezu, Mukama weiguru
2. Twaija nu kunywana na Yezu Mugabe,
Omukago twembi kubona kuguma.
3. Obu n'obuhiirwa kunywana buzima
Na Mukama Yezu, Mukira-bagabe.
4. Okunywana n'ogu Mukama Mugizi
Noomurya Mukunzi, Muriibwa-munuzi.
5. Nyamukama Yezu niwe mugabuzi,
Obwo kandi hoona niwe nyakiihuro.
6. Abakristu niimwe baheebwa-bugyenyi:
Nimuburye mwena mutaine kuzira.
7. Mwecume gye hoona, mutafa kumira:
Okurya kubi ogwo manya n'omuziro
8. Obwo mwamutungwa Munywani-muzima,
Muragaane kwanga rureeta-bugomi.

THANKSGIVING:

OHAISIBWE NYAKUZOOKA **(Benedikto K. Mubangizi)**

1. Omugabe enfeera-ngoma
Ohaisibwe nyakuzooka.....
Waaruga etoterwa - muriro
Ohaisibwe nyakuzooka.....

Chrs:

Karamaare iwe mugabe
Nyakusinga! Iwe mujuni

Ohaisibwe nyakuzooka nyakuzaahuuka.

2. Omu bafu waajunuukire,
Ntaama y'embagirwa-bujuni
Okaruga obwera bwa iguru
Waayecwa omwiru wa butaka
3. Okaturwa esiime obambirwe,
Waitwa n' abaibi ohanikirwe.
4. Harizire enkuzi oziikirwe,
Haaganya enyangi ogarukire
5. Kiziikwa waatabuuka
Kizaaha waaruhuuka;
Omu bafu waagizooka,
Amarira twayomooka;
Iwe mukiza-bugangi,
Tukuramutsye, muhangi.
6. Nyakweza, twagubuuka;
Mutambi twahumuuka;
Oburagwa waabucooka
Kibunyaga gaamuzooka;
Nytwa-bicumu bishongi,
Ahari sho niwe mpongi.
7. Endweire zaajunuuka,
Enzingo zaanauka,
Enyabibi byahonooka
Enyamize yakokooka,
Iwe mukama murungi
Amagara niwe mbungi.
8. Tukaata,twanafuuka,
Amaani gaahaguuka,
Amagara gatuhooka
Abaremwa twashotooka;
Iwe mukiza - bahengi,
Otugumize,mugyengi.
9. Murungi azookire buzima,
Watsiga omwitsi ahemukire.
10. Bakaita omwiru kajegyere
Waija ori ensinga ha-bugabe.
11. Bacwire akooma nyamugaywa,
Waija ori ecooma nyamugumi.
12. Owaifo yagwa nyamuteza
Waazayo twazi- ya- ruguru.
Karamaare.....



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RUBAGA PROJECT:

EBIRUNGI BYONKORIRE TAATA

Ebirungi byonkoreire Taata omunsi omu ndyakuzimurira ki? Kantoore aha biconco biwampaire, nkuheereze ninkusiima.

1. Kantoore aha kiconco ky'amagara , Ruhanga webare kumpanga nkuheereze nyihire aha mutima Ruhanga webare kundinda.
2. Ekiconco kiwampaire Mukama, okibangize omukono gw'embabazi zaawe, yohereza mutima waawe ampwere mbase kukikozesa gye.
3. Ninkusiimira abazaire biwampaire abiwandabizemu kuza omunsi bakankuza n'omutiima gw'okukunda ediini, ebyo byona naiwe Mukama.
4. Ninkuhongyera abikiriza boona naamunonga abahereza baawe, WS n'embabazi zaawe.
5. Abanyeitima nabanyehari nabo Taata nimbakusiimira, okubaho kikanyongeramu omuhimbo okuhama omu kiconco kyangye.
6. Byoona ebiri omunsi nembabazi zaawe, ahootari tityakubaireho, bamalaika nabarikwera boona omweiguru nibakuramya nibahimbisa eizina ryaawe.

EBINTU BYOONA OBIHEEBWA RUHANGA

Ekigarukwamu;

Ebintu byoona obiheebwa Ruhanga.

1. Mwije inywena tutwale ebisembo.....
Bambi mwije tugende kusiima.....
Nyantasiima takenga Ruhanga.....
N'ebirungi Omuhangi omuhaire.....
2. //Oti rundi kuhweza takweza.....
Iwe wenka Rugamba oli woha?.....//2
N'ebitungwa obihanga ka kwaha?.....
Bambi mwije tugende kuhonga.....
Ebisembo Ruhanga atuhaire.....
Iwe wenka kisémba rubanza.....

//Oteho ebi ebitungwa akuhaire.....
Oyehwemu omugonze Ruhanga.....//2
3. Obitunga Ruhanga abitwale.....
Abitwale biyambe abaseege.....
Naabo boona abataaga obuyambi.....
Itungo lw'ensi kisémba kirungi.....

//Alitunga alikengakurungi.....
Atalija kufeerwa Ruhanga.....//2

4. Atamwiine ali kindi bagenzi.....
Taina kantu mu banka ya Bwera!.....
Bambi mwije tugende kusiima.....
Kandi n'omutima gw'okugonza.....

//N'agutamba abasiime abagonze.....
Mweyahurre obugwetwa oburungi.....//2

5. Banka yanyu; Ruhanga Mulinzi.....
Olisanga obugwetwa oburungi.....
Ninkugamba olitaaha ohunirre.....
Abo boona abamwiine mu mwoyo.....
6. Ebintu byoona biheebwa Ruhanga x2
Okusiima ngire nta, Ruhanga wange,
Okusiima ngire nta, Ruhanga wange
Onkolire ebirungi mu bwomezi bwange.
7. Ampaire ebirungi...
Ampaire obusinge...
8. Ampaire amaani...
Ampaire abaana...
9. Ampaire obwenge...
Ampaire omuhanda...
10. Ampaire okusiima...
Ampaire okuhweza...

RECESSION:

MUGYENDE MWANE EBIJUMA (Fr. D. Bamparana)

Chrs:

**Mugyende..... Mugyende
Mugyende mwane ebijuma.**

1. Nabaha rukundo
Mugyende ebanywanise
2. Nkabeeta nimbasiima
Nti mwiroko ndi neimwe
3. Nabakomera entanda
Omu masakamentu
4. Ahamuheru gwa byoona
Mweena ndyabarundana.

AMDA marks Palm Sunday with a call to stronger families and shared purpose



There was a quiet sense of reverence and expectation as AMDA members gathered at Kitante Primary School on Palm Sunday, 29 March 2026.

Palm branches in hand, families, children, and elders walked side by side into the celebration, marking the beginning of Holy Week with prayer, reflection, and a renewed focus on what holds them together.

Presiding over the celebration, Fr. Hillary Katusiime, the Parish Priest at Kitabi Parish, as the main celebrant, turned his homily toward married couples, speaking of marriage not simply as a union, but as a mission; one that mirrors Christ's own journey of purpose, sacrifice, and endurance.

He invited couples to see their relationships through that lens: a shared calling to love, to shape one another, and to build homes that serve as places of faith for their children and communities.

Marriage, he said, is sustained by purpose; knowing why you chose each other and holding onto that reason even when it is tested. And it is in those

moments of testing that growth often begins. Rather than turning away from hardship, couples were encouraged to face it together, whether it comes in the form of financial strain, illness, or emotional distance, transforming it into an opportunity for deeper trust and shared strength.

He spoke, too, about sacrifice. Not the dramatic kind, but the quiet, daily choices that often go unnoticed: making time for one another, sharing responsibilities, choosing presence over distraction. These, he suggested, are the gestures that slowly build resilient families.

Humility, he added, is just as essential. In a world that often rewards status and recognition, the strength of a home is found in simple acts of service—listening, supporting, and choosing gratitude over comparison.

And above all, perseverance. “Many families do not fail because love disappears,” he reflected, “but because the commitment to keep going weakens.” His call was clear: stay, work through challenges, seek help early, and continue choosing each other.

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Beyond the homily, the day also reflected AMDA's collective strength in action.

Led by Eng. Denis Matsiko, Chairperson of the Marrieds Council, members mobilized over UGX 51 million and secured 100 bags of cement in support of the ongoing Rubaga project, a show of solidarity that matched the spirit of the day.

In his remarks, chief guest Felix Twinomucunguzi commended AMDA for its example within families and across the archdiocese, encouraging couples to nurture enduring relationships.

The gathering also marked a significant milestone for the association. AMDA officially launched its first-ever Strategic Plan (2026-2031), a document that will guide its work and direction over the next five years. Developed by the Economic Empowerment Council, the plan signals a more structured and forward-looking phase for the association.

As the celebration ended, the day's meaning lingered beyond the liturgy. Palm Sunday is often seen as a beginning journey into sacrifice, reflection, and renewal.

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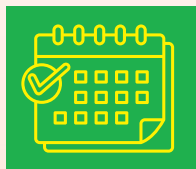
AMDA launches its 12th Caravan: the 2026 Caravan will take place in Nyabwina Parish.



RT MAJ JESSICA ALUPO, The Vice President of The Republic of Uganda,

“This initiative shows what is possible when we work together,”

The 2026 AMDA Caravan was launched last week, as AMDA members, partners, and well-wishers gathered at Hotel Africana on 17 April. This year’s caravan will head to Nyabwina Parish



THE AMDA CARAVAN 2026 WILL TAKE PLACE ON 4TH - 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026 IN ST. CLARET PARISH NYABWINA

in Sheema District, with activities scheduled for the first weekend of September. For many in the area, the announcement marks the start of a long-awaited journey.

Officiating at the launch, Rt Maj Jessica Alupo, the Vice President of Uganda, commended AMDA for staying true to its founding spirit—bringing people together to respond to real community needs.

“This initiative shows what is possible when we work together,” she said,

noting that efforts like the caravan help extend essential services to those who need them most. She contributed UGX 10 million towards outreach and pledged further support through the President’s office.

At the centre of this year’s plan is health and education.

AMDA Chairman Chris Gumisiriza described the caravan as a moment of reconnection—when members step away from the city and return to engage directly with communities facing

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million in cash, pledges and in-kind contributions were raised against a total budget of approximately UGX 673 million, an encouraging start

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everyday challenges. “Each year, we intentionally choose areas where the need is greatest,” he said. “Nyabwina stood out, particularly in education and access to health services.”

The 2026 caravan will build on past outreach efforts but with a stronger emphasis on specialised care and long-term support. In addition to the usual medical camps, qualified teams will offer targeted services, backed by adequate medicines and equipment. The outreach is expected to reach between 7,000 and 8,000 people, regardless of religious or political affiliation.

On the education front, plans are already taking shape to improve school infrastructure, including the construction of a dormitory. Government ministers have pledged UGX 90 million towards this effort.

During the launch, UGX 243 million in cash, pledges and in-kind contributions were raised against a total budget of approximately UGX 673 million, an encouraging start, but one that still calls for wider support.

Parish coordinator Patrick Mutambi shared that the community has been hoping to host the caravan for years.

“We first applied in 2005, and again in

2022. We are grateful that our time has finally come,” he said.

He pointed to the challenges many families face—limited access to clean water, inadequate school facilities, and a lack of essential learning infrastructure such as science and computer laboratories. In some schools, even basic needs remain unmet.

Beyond health and education, the caravan will also address broader social concerns, including youth unemployment, drug abuse and household poverty. Plans are underway to roll out community sensitisation, skills training and livelihood support, particularly for young people and women.

Health interventions will include equipping local facilities, conducting mass deworming, and providing specialised treatment to thousands during the medical camp.

Also present at the launch was Kahinda Otafiire, who contributed UGX 10 million in support of the initiative, underscoring the growing momentum behind this year’s caravan.

Over the years, the AMDA Caravan has become known not just for the services it delivers, but for the lives it touches—restoring sight, improving hearing,



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and opening doors for young people to continue their education. These are the quiet outcomes that continue to shape its legacy.

As preparations gather pace, the focus now shifts to September.

In Nyabwina, expectations are rising. For AMDA, the task remains clear: to show up, to serve, and to stand with communities in ways that leave a lasting mark—long after the caravan has moved on.

Seeing **The AMDA Sacco** (which i joined as a broke fresh graduate in 2018) now raising me to the level of sitting with fellow Men, **warms my heart**

By **Gerald Nuwamanya**

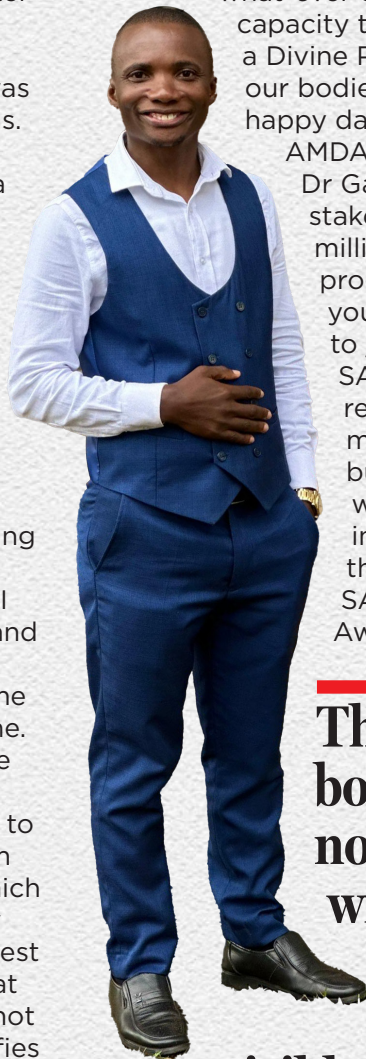
Like any other young graduate, after university, returning to the village was not one of my options. Tokuheza kushoma degree ngu nogaruka Kanaama Kashaari. Shaaa.

I walked the streets of Kampala and the only small job I landed was paying me only UGX 400,000, which was just enough to meet my rent and living expenses because I had already decided I was already mature and needed to live on my own if I had to become a man worth the name. I left my sister's home as soon as I got this small job and walked to my small rented room with a few basics, which were remnants of my ka hostel room. The rest of the details are what every youth (who is not a planned kid) identifies with.

Being in AMDA circles is the best thing that has happened in my life. I had participated in nearly all AMDA activities and always desired to join the main AMDA flagship projects but money was a problem. With my small earning, this always looked like a village illiterate boy dreaming of meeting Pope Leo XIV at his Hiika deep in the farthest end of

the remotest parish in the Mighty Mbarara Archdiocese.

In this life, I have learnt that what-ever our brain has the capacity to dream, there is a Divine Power that enables our bodies to achieve. One happy day, I learnt that the AMDA Chairman then, Dr Gaston Ampe, had staked some good millions as a support programme for every youth who wanted to join the AMDA SACCO. I don't remember how many millions this was, but all I remember was that for every interested youth, the Chairman's SACCO Entry Youth Award covered a big



The six boda bodas that I now have, the wife and baby and many other visible and invisible benefits that I have, I attribute to the SACCO because it turned me into the man I am."

percentage of the new youthful entrants. I had always dreamt of owning a fleet of boda bodas in the City and poor me, with my ka small earning, I didn't imagine this would become a reality. I owe Dr Ampe a cup of coffee. CPA Gerald Nuwamanya, the General Secretary that time (and my name-sake) also played a very big role in continuing to encourage and woo me to joining the SACCO. I am indebted to him as well.

I hastened to pick the SACCO membership forms, filled them the same day and waooh, I was a member of the Mighty AMDA SACCO. You see, when you are outside a rich man's house, you can never know how many types of drinks are in the fridge, you can never even know the size of the kitchen sauce pans, or even know the house-hold head's chair. Obumwe noyeshanga washutamire ahantebe ya nyin'eka ninga watoire omukishengye kye. From outside the SACCO, as a non-member, you can never know the great benefits that the SACCO offers its members.

The products I found on the SACCO menu were very exciting for me, as a new member, a youth who didn't own any property/security in Kampala or any other credible town for that matter. For the first time, I learnt that I could qualify to borrow up to almost UGX 5 Million without a land title as long as I got credible guarantors, in good standing to stand surety for me. That night I didn't sleep. I spent the night calculating my boda boda profits, to the extent that I even

started imagining the family head I was going to be after amassing a lot of money and finding a wife (I didn't even have a girlfriend that time) who I was now sure I could take care of.

Assured of a very affordable friendly interest rate, my loan was quickly processed and in less than a week, my two boda bodas were on the road. The rest is history. The six boda bodas that I now have, the wife and baby and many other visible and invisible benefits that I have, I attribute to the SACCO because it turned me into the man I am. I have also successfully gone through academic journeys at LDC, UMI and other multiple courses. What would I have achieved without the SACCO's continuous low interest school fees loans?

I am very confident that even the ABF that gave me a job would not have found me competent if I hadn't already achieved the status that the

SACCO lifted me to, which also had enabled me to join ABF, long before before ABF II was introduced. Outside the circles of AMDA where I earn a moderate salary for a living, nanye nimba ndi CEO of my small transport company and there is nothing as financially pleasant as looking forward to a weekend knowing the Boda Boda boys are banking my ka money without fail.

With all the above achievements, the next dream I now have is when the SACCO announces an Asset Financing Product so that I can embark on procuring myself a place of aboard nanye ndugye omwa landlord nze omwangye.

Fellow youths who have not yet joined the AMDA SACCO, these things are possible. Come join me turumbe Kampala egi. Nikibasika.

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LONG LIVE AMDA



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Soul and Solidarity: A Morning of Grace as Kasese Meets AMDA

The air at AMDA House in Rubaga felt different. It wasn't just the usual warmth of the Archdiocese of Mbarara Development Association (AMDA) family gathering for their monthly liturgical celebration; it was the vibrant, rhythmic spirit of the Rwenzori region blowing through the halls.

On February 22, 2026, the walls of our home in Rubaga echoed with a beautiful fusion of voices as the Kasese Diocese led a mass.

A Shepherd's Gentle Reminder The main celebrant, Rt. Rev. Francis Aquirinus Kibira, Bishop of Kasese, entered a sea of expectant faces, flanked by

clergy from both Mbarara and Kasese.

While the world often measures us by our titles and bank accounts, Bishop Kibira's homily brought us back to the heart of the matter: the human soul.

"You can own the whole world," the Bishop noted with a fatherly gravity that silenced the room, "but if you lose your soul, you have lost everything." He preached.

With the Lenten season, he challenged us to look beyond the surface. Fasting, he reminded us, isn't just about an empty stomach; it's about emptying our hearts of gossip and selfishness to make room for God.

The beauty of AMDA has always been its ability to marry spiritual growth with tangible development. This mass was no exception. In a moving display of inter-diocesan brotherhood, the AMDA leadership announced a financial contribution of UGX 10,000,000 to the Kasese Diocese, as a seed of solidarity, to support the Kasese Diocese as they take on the mantle to lead the 2026 Uganda Martyrs' Day celebrations at Namugongo.

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