



CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE OF NIGERIA

Official Opening Ceremony of 1st 2026 Plenary

Date: Sunday 22 Feb. 2026

Venue: Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria, Abuja

AGENDA

1. **Enthronement of the Holy Bible**
Most Rev. Anthony EWHERIDO (Bishop, WARRI)
2. **National and Papal Anthems**
3. **Introduction of Guests:** Most Rev. Peter ODETOYINBO (Assistant Secretary, CBCN)
4. **Chairman's Opening Remark:** Dr. Michael OMERI, Former Director General, National Orientation Agency (NOA)
5. **Address by the President of the CBCN:**
Archbishop Lucius Iwejuru UGORJI
6. **Address by the Apostolic Nuncio:**
Most Rev. Michael Francis CROTTY
7. **Goodwill messages:**
 - a. **Primate, Church of Nigeria, Anglican Communion:** Archbishop Henry Chukwudum NDUKUBA
 - b. **Prelate of the Methodist Church, Nigeria:** His Eminence, Oliver Ali ABA
 - c. **President of CAN:** Archbishop Daniel OKOH
 - d. FCT Minister
8. **Vote of thanks:** Most Rev. Matthew M. NDAGOSO,
(Vice-President, CBCN)
9. **Closing Prayer:** Most Rev. Patrick ELUKE (Apostolic Administrator, PORT HARCOURT).
10. Refreshment