



# THE GREEN SHEET

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**CLERGY NEWS** - Welcome to **The Rev. Thomas "Tommy" P.J. Dwyer** (and Lynn) who has been called to be Rector of St. James', Port St. Joe beginning April 19<sup>th</sup>. The Dwyers come to us from the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. **The Rev. Tom Frizzell**, priest-in-charge at St. John's, Pensacola will be leaving our Diocese effective May 18<sup>th</sup>. His wife, Captain Connie Frizzell, USN, has been re-stationed to serve with the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon in Washington, DC, beginning in June. Please keep Tom and his family in your prayers.

**SPRING CLERGY CONFERENCE** - is scheduled for **May 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>** at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center. Dr. Catherine Keller, professor of Constructive Theology at Drew Theological School will be the guest presenter. Additional information and invitations will be going to all clergy in the near future.

**OTHER 2009 CLERGY CONFERENCES** - Clergy are reminded to hold the dates for the Fall Clergy Conference, **September 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>**, at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center; and **November 6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>**, for clergy/spouse (Church Pension Fund) Planning for Tomorrow conference at a location to be announced. More information will be coming over the next few months.

**PASSED MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> DEADLINES!** - The following reports or information were due in the Diocesan office on or before March 1<sup>st</sup>: **Parochial Reports** and **Journal Directory Forms**.

***The following congregations have not submitted a Parochial report:***

Atmore, St. Anna's	Magnolia Springs, St. Paul's	Monroeville, St. John's
Atmore, Trinity	Marianna, St. Luke's	Niceville, St. Jude's
Citronelle, St. Thomas' (Need original report)	Mobile, Good Shepherd	Pensacola, St. Cyprian's
Enterprise, Epiphany	Mobile, St. Matthew's (Need original report)	Santa Rosa Beach, Christ the King
Jackson, St. Peter's	Mobile, St. Paul's	Troy, St. Mark's
Laguna Beach, St. Thomas'		

***The following congregations have not submitted a Journal Directory form:***

Atmore, St. Anna's	Mobile, Good Shepherd	Troy, St. Mark's
Laguna Beach, St. Thomas'		

**FRESH START** - The next Fresh Start gathering is **Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> (NOTE: DATE CHANGE)** at the Diocesan office in Pensacola. The remaining Fresh Start dates for 2009 are as follows: May 21<sup>st</sup>, August 20<sup>th</sup>, September 17<sup>th</sup>, October 15<sup>th</sup> and November 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions about this program, please call Salem Saloom, (251) 867-6464, or e-mail him at sawbonz@saloom.net.

**GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING** - The 2009 Good Friday Offering (GFO) is designed for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, symbolizing unity with and passionate concern for those who witness to Christ throughout that region. Good Friday Offerings are collected and transmitted through the Diocese to the Episcopal Church who transmits all funds to the designated recipient. More information on this offering is available online at [www.episcopalchurch.org/gfo](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/gfo). There you can access the Good Friday Offering Bulletin Shell and Poster.

**EASTER SILENT RETREAT** - is scheduled for **April 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>** at Visitation Monastery in Mobile. The Rev. Nancy Threadgill, rector of Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile will lead the retreat. Brochures have been mailed to all congregations. For further information, please contact The Rev. Donna Lockett, retreat coordinator, at (334) 566-3403 or [dalockett@bellsouth.net](mailto:dalockett@bellsouth.net).

**COLUMBIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CENTER FOR LIFELONG LEARNING** - is offering several continuing education opportunities this Spring. They include: Colloquim 2009 Calvin Now! from **April 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>** led by Laura Mendenhall, seminary president; and Spiritual Formation History of Western Spirituality, **April 26<sup>th</sup> - May 1<sup>st</sup>**, addresses practices and understandings that provided the center of faith and renewal. For additional registration information, contact Pat Roper, Lifelong Learning Registrar at (404) 687-4587 or roperp@ctsnet.edu.

**CURSILLO #139** - is scheduled for **April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>** at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center. Other Cursillos for 2009 are **September 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>**; and **October 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>**, all at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center.

**STANDING COMMITTEE** - will meet **Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** at St. Augustine, Navarre. Anyone having business to come before the Standing Committee should get that information to Vince Currie by April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**ECW SPRING DAY AWAY** - is scheduled for **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at Church of the Good Shepherd in Mobile. The Rev. Nancy Threadgill is the leader. Registration will be mailed to all congregations soon. For additional information, contact Joanna Taylor, taylorj@continentalcinemas.com.

**ENDOWMENT/PLANNED GIVING SEMINARS** - The Diocesan Commission on Planned Giving/Stewardship has scheduled four seminars around the Diocese, allowing every congregation in the Diocese to participate. With the professional leadership of the Episcopal Church Foundation, these seminars will assist congregations in learning about endowments; give them tools to establish an endowment; outline ways to grow an endowment; and exhibit other planned giving opportunities. More information will be coming regarding these seminars. In the meantime, pick one of the following dates and places and plan to attend:

<b>Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Grace, Panama City Beach
<b>Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup></b>	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Trinity, Mobile
<b>Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	St. Christopher's, Pensacola
<b>Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup></b>	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	St. Stephen's, Brewton

**CHURCH ARCHIVIST WORKSHOP** - will be **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**, at the Church of the Nativity in Dothan from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The four hours will include "basic archives" with lots of handouts, plus lunch. A special feature will be our guest speaker, Maurice Gandy, retired professor from Bishop State and adjunct professor at the University of South Alabama. Mr Gandy, an interesting speaker, also writes for the Mobile Register and other publications. His subject will be "Oral Histories" presented at 11:00 a.m. The cost of this workshop is \$15.00, which includes lunch. Please make reservations at the Church of the Nativity (334) 793-7616 or the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast (850) 434-7337. For more information, please contact Kit Caffey, Diocesan Registrar-Historiographer, (251) 626-0053.

**PROVINCE IV WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** - is scheduled for **June 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Kanuga Conferences in Hendersonville, NC. The theme for this year's conference is "The Lord's Prayer: praying heaven to earth and earth to heaven" with keynote talks by The Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence, Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina. For more information, visit [www.kanuga.org](http://www.kanuga.org) or call (828) 692-9136.

**"PASSING ON THE FAITH: PRACTICES OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION WITH YOUTH"** - is a continuing education opportunity at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest scheduled for **June 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>**, at the seminary in Austin. Designed for clergy, educators, and lay leaders, this program will focus on the issues of youth formation from a Christian perspective. The presenter is Dr. Jana Struková, assistant professor of Christian education and spiritual formation at Seminary of the Southwest. Continuing education units (CEUs) are available to clergy. Cost of the conference is \$325, with an additional \$150 room and board charge which includes three-days of meals and housing at the seminary. For more information, or to register, go to [www.ssw.edu/continuinged09/html](http://www.ssw.edu/continuinged09/html) or contact Nancy Busbey at [nbusbey@ssw.edu](mailto:nbusbey@ssw.edu).

**CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FOR YOUTH MINISTRY AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** - sponsored by the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, is scheduled for **June 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>**. Vibrant education programs and ministries to youth can be a focus for evangelism and a source of health for the entire parish. This is the theme of this conference. For additional information, contact Molly Bennett (512) 472-4133 or at [www.ssw.edu](http://www.ssw.edu).

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION CONFERENCE** - offering two tracks of study: Children and Youth Faith Formation **June 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>** and Adult Faith Formation **June 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>**, is scheduled for Kanuga Conferences in Hendersonville, NC. Participants can attend segments that best fit their ministry, or the entire week. Dr. Fredrica Harris Thompsett, Episcopal Divinity School, will speak during both conferences. The conference features more than 40 workshops on various topics about curriculum, faith formation, storytelling, recruiting and training teachers, time management, etc. For those that wish to make this week their mountain vacation, programs will be offered for children while parents attend sessions. For additional information, visit [www.kanuga.org](http://www.kanuga.org) or call (828) 692-9136.

**CAMP BOB** - a program at Kanuga Conferences in Hendersonville, NC, was chosen to host two sessions of Operation Purple, a program of the National Military Family Association. This association sponsors free summer camp programs in response to the need for increased support for military children, especially those whose parents are or will be deployed. Sessions will be **June 28<sup>th</sup> - July 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>**. Each session can accommodate 75 campers ages 8 - 15. Applications are accepted online. Sign up at [www.operationpurple.org](http://www.operationpurple.org). Each camp is open to children of service members of any branch of Service, active duty, National Guard or Reserve, as well as children of members of the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service and National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration. Camps are free to all participants thanks to support from the Sierra Club and the Sierra Club Foundation. For more information, visit [www.kanuga.org](http://www.kanuga.org). For more information about the National Military Family Association, visit [www.nmfa.org](http://www.nmfa.org).

**ECW FALL CONFERENCE** - Women are reminded to hold the date **September 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>** for the annual ECW Blue Lake conference. The speaker will be The Rev. Al Durance, a nationally recognized presenter on intercessory and healing prayer. More information will be coming to all congregations.

**2009 BECKWITH SUMMER CAMPS** - Some 2009 camp sessions for Beckwith Camp and Conference Center are still open. Registration brochures including these dates and application forms have been mailed to all congregations of the Diocese. If you need an application or have any questions, please contact Beckwith Camp and Conference Center at (251) 928-7844; fax (251) 928-7811; e-mail: [beckccc@bellsouth.net](mailto:beckccc@bellsouth.net). Applicants are encouraged to register as soon as possible, as camps fill up quickly. The following is the 2009 Camp schedule:

9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Friday, June 5 <sup>th</sup> - Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>
8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Saturday, June 13 <sup>th</sup> - Friday, June 19 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Sunday, June 21 <sup>st</sup> - Wednesday, June 24 <sup>th</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Friday, June 26 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday, June 28 <sup>th</sup>
Special Ministries	Tuesday, June 30 <sup>th</sup> - Friday, July 3 <sup>rd</sup>
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Monday, July 6 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday, July 12 <sup>th</sup>
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Tuesday, July 14 <sup>th</sup> - Monday, July 20 <sup>th</sup>
6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Wednesday, July 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Tuesday, July 28 <sup>th</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Wednesday, July 29 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday, August 2 <sup>nd</sup>

**COASTAL WONDERS** - Following is the Coastal Discovery Day Camp (at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center) sessions for 2009:

<i>6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Graders (in 2009/2010 school year):</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Graders (in 2009/2010 school year):</i>
Session #1: June 1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup>	Session #2: June 22 <sup>nd</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup>
Session #4: July 13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup>	Session #3: July 6 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup>

For additional information on the Coastal Wonders program, contact Audrey Preston, Program Director [coastalwonders@bellsouth.net](mailto:coastalwonders@bellsouth.net).

**PLANNED GIVING QUOTE** - "If you give away your money to charity while you're alive, your relatives won't have to fight over it when you're dead!"

**HEALTH TIP** - "Eat slowly. Savor and think about the flavors in each bite. You will tend to eat less!"

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS TO BE PUBLICIZED IN THE GREEN SHEET SHOULD BE SENT TO CARMEN KIMMONS BY THE FIRST OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO THE GREEN SHEET MAILING!**

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**\* JOURNAL CHANGES**

\* Due to the numerous changes being sent to the Diocesan office for the Journal update, we will not be publishing all those that this time! The 2009 Journal should be available in mid-May.

**DIOCESAN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED - Friday afternoon, April 10<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday) and Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> (Easter Monday).**

**COMING EVENTS**

Easter Silent Retreat	Apr 16 - 18	Visitation Monastery, Mobile
Colloquim 2008 Calvin Now!	Apr 20 - 22	Columbia Theological Seminary
Fresh Start	Apr 23	Diocesan office
Cursillo #139	Apr 23 - 26	Beckwith
Standing Committee	Apr 24	St. Augustine, Navarre
ECW Spring Day Away	Apr 25	Good Shepherd, Mobile
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	Apr 25	Grace, Panama City Beach
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	Apr 26	Trinity, Mobile
Spiritual Formation History of Western Spirituality	Apr 26 - May 1	Columbia Theological Seminary
Spring Clergy Conference	May 11 - 12	Beckwith
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	May 16	St. Christopher's, Pensacola
Church Archivist Workshop	May 16	Nativity, Dothan
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	May 17	St. Stephen's, Brewton

**BISHOP DUNCAN'S CALENDAR**

Visitation	Apr 4 - 5	Nativity, Dothan
Good Friday	Apr 10	Office Closed at noon
Easter Day	Apr 12	Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile
Easter Monday	Apr 13	Office Closed
Wedding	Apr 16 - 17	Christ Church, Georgetown, DC
Chelsa Group pilgrimage	Apr 17 - 22	Claggett Retreat Center, Maryland
Standing Committee meeting	Apr 24	St. Augustine, Navarre
Diocesan Altar Guild Day	Apr 25	Epiphany, Crestview
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	Apr 25 @ 1:30 p.m.	Grace, Panama City Beach
Visitation	Apr 26	St. Luke's, Mobile
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	Apr 26 @ 1:30 p.m.	Trinity, Mobile
Cursillo Closing	Apr 26 @ 4:00 p.m.	Beckwith
Beckwith Staff Retreat	Apr 27	Beckwith
Celebration of New Ministry - Mayer	Apr 29	St. John's, Monroeville
Visitation	May 3	Holy Nativity, Panama City
Confirmation Service	May 6	St. Simon's, Fort Walton Beach
Visitation	May 10	St. Paul's, Mobile
Spring Clergy Conference	May 11 - 12	Beckwith
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	May 16 @ 9:30 a.m.	St. Christopher's, Pensacola
Visitation	May 17	St. Augustine's, Navarre
Endowment/Planned Giving Seminar	May 17 @ 1:30 p.m.	St. Stephen's, Brewton
GTS Board of Trustees meeting	May 18 - 20	New York, NY
Visitation	May 24	St. James', Fairhope
Memorial Day Holiday	May 25	Office Closed
Confirmation Service	May 27	St. John's, Monroeville
Presiding Bishop visiting the Diocese	May 29 - 31	throughout the Diocese

**CANON DUNNAM'S CALENDAR**

Visitation	Apr 5	Holy Trinity, Pensacola
Visitation	Apr 12	St. Anna's, Atmore
Visitation	Apr 19	St. Mary's, Coden
Visitation	Apr 26	St. Andrew's, Destin

**QUOTE FOR THE MONTH: AT EASTER: "He is risen, the Lord is risen in deed! Alleluia!"**