



THE GREEN SHEET

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CLERGY NEWS - Welcome to **The Rt. Rev. Bob Jones**, retired Bishop of Wyoming and former Dean of St. George's College Jerusalem, who will be Interim Rector at Christ Church, Pensacola beginning September 16th. **The Rev. David Powers** will be Interim Rector at Trinity, Mobile effective September 2nd. Farewell to **The Rev. Buck Belmore** (and Connie Dee), who has been called to be Rector of Christ Church, Las Vegas, NV, effective September 1st. We report with sadness the death of Christine Butler, mother of **Nancy Kennington** on August 1st. May the souls of the departed rest in peace!

FALL CLERGY CONFERENCE - is set for **September 9th - 11th** at Beckwith Camp & Conference Center. Note the scheduled day change: The conference will begin Sunday evening, September 9th and conclude late Tuesday morning, September 11th. The conference leader is The Rev. Dr. James Farwell, Professor of Liturgics at General Theological Seminary until this spring, and in transition to become the Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Bethany College in Wheeling, West Virginia. Registration packets have been mailed to all clergy.

HAPPENING #46 - is scheduled for **August 24th - 26th** at Church of the Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores. Happening is a Christian experience for 10th, 11th and 12th graders. For additional information, contact Avery Hall, Chair of the Diocesan Commission on Youth Ministries at avery@allsaintsmobile.org or (251) 438-2492.

ST. PETER'S FISH FRY - the final world famous St. Peter's, Bon Secour Fish Fry is **Thursday, September 6th**. If you haven't ever been, you've missed a real treat!

PERSONAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH FALL RETREAT - is scheduled for **September 7th - 9th** at Beckwith Camp & Conference Center. The Rev. Margaret Guenther, well-known author and speaker, will lead the retreat entitled "Living Prayerfully". Brochures with registration information have been mailed to each church in the Diocese. Additional information may be obtained by calling or e-mailing The Rev. Donna A. Lockett (334) 566-3403 or dalockett@bellsouth.net. Space is limited so register early for this retreat.

COMMISSION ON CAMPUS MINISTRY - is having a fundraiser "Embrace" at St. Christopher's, Pensacola on **Friday, September 7th** from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Food and T-Shirts will be for sale, and donations will be accepted at the door and throughout the evening. There will be two bands playing contemporary praise and worship music. Come for all or part of the evenings activities. For additional information, contact Michael Drinkwater at (850) 497-2984 or e-mail webbuilder556@hotmail.com.

COMMISSION ON FINANCE - will meet **Monday, September 17th** at the Diocesan office. Anyone having business to come before the Commission on Finance should be in touch with Vince Currie prior to Friday, September 14th.

FRESH START - resumes its monthly meetings on **Thursday, September 20th** at the Diocesan office in Pensacola. Subsequent meetings for 2007 will be **October 18th** and **November 15th**, at the Diocesan office in Pensacola. If you have any questions about this program, please call Salem Saloom (251) 867-6464, or e-mail him at sawbonz@saloom.net

CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE - The Diocese of Mississippi is hosting a Congregational Development Conference **Thursday, September 27th (5:00 p.m.)** through **Saturday, September 29th (1:00 p.m.)** at the Duncan M. Gray Camp & Conference Center in Canton, MS. Cost for the three day conference is \$235. Congregations of Vision - Strategies for Development, Stewardship, and Mission will be presented by Charles Fulton, Terry Parsons, and Jim Lemler; all staff executives at the Episcopal Church Center in New York. For additional information, please contact The Rev. David Johnson, Canon to the Ordinary, (601) 948-5954 or e-mail frbosco@bellsouth.net.

EPIPHANY, CRESTVIEW FLORIDA - is having a Luau on **Saturday, September 29th** at the church. The funds will go to support a mission trip to Malawi in the fall of 2008. The Northwest Florida O'Hana will be performing, and there will be food as well. Tickets will be \$15/adults, \$5 for children 6-12, and free for children 5 and under. Food will be served at 3:00 p.m. and dancing begins at 4:00 p.m.

50TH ANNIVERSARY! - St. Michael's, Ozark is celebrating its 50th anniversary on **Saturday, September 29th** and **Sunday, September 30th**. At noon Saturday, there will be a hamburger/hot dog cookout at the church. On Sunday there will be a grand 50th Anniversary Mass beginning at 10:30 a.m. All past members, families and friends are invited to come for this special homecoming. If you need motel reservations or have other special needs, contact Lael Walding, Senior Warden, at (334) 774-9686, (334) 379-7184, or e-mail LSWald@aol.com

STANDING COMMITTEE - will meet **Monday, October 1st** at St. James', Fairhope. Anyone having business to come before the Standing Committee should be in touch with Vince Currie prior to September 28th.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN - Hold the dates of **October 2nd - 4th** for Fall Blue Lake. The Rev. Kerry Holder, Huntsville, Alabama will lead the retreat. Registration information will be mailed soon.

OCTOBERFEST - A weekend for youth in grades 6 - 12 is scheduled for **October 5th - 7th** at Beckwith. The theme "Freedom Rocks" will feature music by Fran McKendree of Kanuga fame, games, concert, small group discussions and much more. More information will be coming soon. For additional information, contact Avery Hall, Chair of the Diocesan Youth Commission at avery@allsaintsmobile.org or (251) 438-2492.

TREASURERS'/WARDENS' WORKSHOP - is scheduled for **Saturday, October 6th** at Christ Church, Pensacola. A flier will be sent to all potential attendees in the near future.

"MAINE EVENT" -Wilmer, the lobster, is reminding everyone to begin preparing for Wilmer Hall's annual lobster "Maine Event" scheduled for **October 13th**. Last year over 3,500 lobsters were bought, including 750 "save-a-lobster" donations. For more information, call (251) 342-4931.

BBQ 'N BLUES FESTIVAL - Church of the Advent, Lillian will host their 6th annual BBQ 'n Blues Festival **Saturday, October 20th** at their church, located at 12099 Baldwin Co Rd 99, just 1.5 blocks south of Hwy 98, just west of the Lillian bridge. For sale: craft items, antiques, plants, collectables, art! Kids activities: Jolly Jump and Clown! Silent and live auctions featuring a dinner cruise, catered party for 20, beautifully handcrafted desk of fine hardwood, vacation home for a week and lots more. Activities from 9:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. BBQ plates \$8.00. Call (251) 962-4999 to purchase reserved tables for eight people for \$100.

ST. SIMON'S ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR - St. Simon's, Fort Walton Beach is holding its annual arts and crafts fair **Friday, November 2nd** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and **Saturday, November 3rd** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Additional information, call Debbie Walker (850) 651-4423, (850) 974-5972, or e-mail walker.timothy@att.net.

PRAYER OF SPIRIT AND BODY RETREAT - is scheduled for **November 16th - 18th** at Beckwith. Facilitated by Jan and The Rev. Marshall Craver, this retreat is an introduction to yoga and other forms of body prayer as Christian spiritual practice. Jan Craver is a member of Yoga Alliance, and Kripalu Teachers Association. The Rev. Marshall Craver is a graduate of Shalem Institute's Certificate Program for Leading Meditation Groups and Retreats. Brochures, including registration forms are available at Beckwith, local parishes, and the Diocesan office. Space is limited! Register early. Contact Marshall Craver (251) 342-8521 for more information.

AREA-WIDE CONFIRMATION - Christ Church Cathedral will host a Diocesan Area-wide Confirmation service on **Saturday, December 12th**, at 11:00 a.m. This confirmation service is being offered as "make-up" or "catch-up" time, in addition to the Bishop's annual visitations. All clergy having congregants to be confirmed at the area-wide service, need to contact Christ Church Cathedral, (251) 438-1822, with the number of confirmands to be presented. The deadline for submitting confirmand numbers is **November 8th**.

TRINITY, WALL STREET - is hosting a conference "Religion and Violence - Untangling the Roots of Conflict" **January 21 - 23, 2008**. Keynote speakers include James Carroll, James Cone, Susannah Heschel, Tariq Ramadan, and Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts-Schori. To get additional information, call (800) 457-0224, or visit www.trinitywallstreet.org/institute.

2008 MEN'S CONFERENCE - Men of the Diocese are encouraged to mark their calendars for

February 29th - March 2nd, 2008 for the Diocesan Men's Conference at Beckwith Camp & Conference Center. The 2008 conference leader will be The Rev. Canon John L. Peterson, former Secretary General of the Worldwide Anglican Communion and personal representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and now Canon for Global Justice and Reconciliation at Washington National Cathedral.

CHURCH AUDITS - All congregations are required by Canon to file a financial audit with the Bishop's office by September 1st of the following year. **Church audits for the year ending December 31, 2006 are due in the Bishop's office on or before September 1, 2007.** If you have any questions about audit requirements, or need an audit form approved by the Commission on Finance, please contact Vince Currie or Jennifer Godwin at the Diocesan office.

DIOCESAN DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM - Each congregation has recently been advised again of the call for a Disaster Response Representative from each congregation in the Diocese. This is the middle of hurricane season, but its not too late to get on the team! If your congregation has not responded to the Bishop's request to have a Disaster Response Liaison from each church, please contact Duane Leifur, the Diocesan Emergency Manager, (850) 434-0628, as soon as possible.

PLANNED GIVING QUOTE - "...the great issue is what are you going to do with all these things?"

LABOR DAY - The Diocesan office will be closed **Monday, Saturday 3rd** in recognition of Labor Day. Everyone please have a happy and safe holiday weekend.

MONTHLY HEALTH TIP - "Moisturizer guards against the dry, dull skin that is more likely to develop premature wrinkles. Choose a lotion containing SPF 15 or higher"

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!

COMING EVENTS

Happening #46	Aug 24 - 26	Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores
St. Peter's Fish Fry	Sep 6	St. Peter's, Bon Secour
Personal Spiritual Growth Fall Retreat	Sep 7 - 9	Beckwith
Commission on Campus Ministry	Sep 7	St. Christopher's, Pensacola
Fall Clergy Conference	Sep 9 - 11	Beckwith
Commission on Finance	Sep 17	Diocesan office
Fresh Start	Sep 20	Diocesan office
Congregational Development Conference	Sep 27 - 29	Gray Center, MS
50 th Anniversary	Sep 29 -30	St. Michael's, Ozark
Luau	Sep 29	Epiphany, Crestview
Standing Committee	Oct 1	St. James, Fairhope
Fall Blue Lake	Oct 2 - 4	Blue Lake
Octoberfest	Oct 5 - 7	Beckwith
Treasurers'/Wardens' Workshop	Oct 6	Christ Church, Pensacola
Maine Event	Oct 13	Wilmer Hall
Fresh Start	Oct 18	Diocesan office
BBQ 'n Blues Festival	Oct 20	Advent, Lillian
St. Simon's Arts & Crafts Fair	Nov 2 - 3	St. Simon's, Fort Walton Beach
Fresh Start	Nov 15	Diocesan office
Prayer of Spirit & Body Retreat	Nov 16 - 18	Beckwith

BISHOP DUNCAN'S CALENDAR

Vacation	Aug 6 - 29	Vacation
Visitation	Sep 2	Immanuel, Bay Minette
Christ Church ECW Luncheon	Sep 4	Christ Church, Pensacola
Visitation	Sep 9	Epiphany, Enterprise
Fall Clergy Conference	Sep 9 - 11	Beckwith
Visitation	Sep 16	Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores
Commission on Finance	Sep 17	Diocesan office
House of Bishops meeting	Sep 19 -25	New Orleans
Visitation	Sep 23	St. Francis, Dauphin Island
Visitation	Sep 30	Trinity, Apalachicola

CANON DUNNAM'S CALENDAR

Visitation	Aug 26	St. Andrew's, Destin
Visitation	Sep 9	Good Shepherd, Mobile
Visitation	Sep 16	St. Peter's, Jackson
Visitation	Sep 23	St. Mark's, Mobile
Visitation	Sep 30	St. Michael's, Ozark

AN ECONOMIC'S LESSON: "THE QUICKEST WAY TO DOUBLE YOUR MONEY IS TO FOLD IT IN HALF AND PUT IT BACK IN YOUR POCKET!"

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