



THE GREEN SHEET

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CLERGY NEWS - Farewell to **The Rev. Stuart Shelby**, Curate at St. James, Fairhope, who has accepted a call to be a Curate at St. Martin's Church in Houston, Texas, effective October 1st. Best wishes to Stuart, Crissy, and their family in their new ministry. Farewell to **The Rev. Neil Kaminski**, Vicar of St. Augustine, Navarre, who has been called to be Rector at St. Francis' in Indian Springs Village (Birmingham), AL, effective November 1st. Best wishes to Neil and Gwen in their new ministry. Congratulations to **The Rev. Ede Plovanch**, who is now Curate-in-Charge at Nativity, Dothan. Congratulations to Virginia Dyson, daughter of **The Rev. Thack** and Rebecca, who was married to Matthew Mosely Harris on Saturday, September 1st in Birmingham. Best wishes to the newlyweds!

ASSISTING BISHOPS - We welcome to the Diocese, **The Rt. Rev. Bob Miller**, retired Bishop of Alabama, who will be assisting Bishop Duncan with congregational visitations for the month of September. Bishop Miller's schedule is in the calendar section of this *Green Sheet*. Welcome Bishop and Mrs. Miller!....**The Rt. Rev. Cal Schofield**, retired Bishop of Southeast Florida, will be assisting in October. Bishop Schofield's schedule is also shown in the calendar section. Welcome Bishop and Mrs. Schofield!

WELCOME OTHER VISITING BISHOPS! - Since the House of Bishops will be meeting in New Orleans over the weekend of September 23rd, Bishop Duncan has arranged for several bishops to visit in our Diocese (principally the Mobile and Baldwin County area). We welcome them to the following congregations:

St. Paul's, Daphne

All Saints', Mobile

Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile

Good Shepherd, Mobile

Redeemer, Mobile

St. Andrew's, Mobile and

St. Mary's, Coden

St. John's, Mobile

St. Luke's, Mobile

St. Mark's, Mobile

St. Michael's, Chickasaw

St. Paul's, Mobile

Trinity, Mobile

The Rt. Rev. Julio Cesar Holguin, Bishop - Dominican Republic

The Rt. Rev. William Gregg, Assisting Bishop - North Carolina

The Rt. Rev. Franklin Brookhart, Jr., Bishop - Montana

The Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, Retired Suffragan - Massachusetts

The Rt. Rev. Barry Beisner, Bishop - Northern California

The Rt. Rev. William Skilton, Retired Suffragan - South Carolina

The Rt. Rev. Steven Miller, Bishop - Milwaukee

The Rt. Rev. Don Johnson, Bishop - West Tennessee

The Rt. Rev. William Klusmeyer, Bishop - West Virginia

The Rt. Rev. James Jelinek, Bishop - Minnesota

The Rt. Rev. Joe Burnett, Bishop - Nebraska

The Rt. Rev. James Waggoner, Jr., Bishop - Spokane

EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT - has a website (www.er-d.org) that is very comprehensive about the recent hurricanes and storms for which they are seeking emergency support. In addition to making relief support checks to ERD, congregations or individuals may send their support to the Diocesan office, clearly marked, and they will be forwarded to the Episcopal Relief and Development.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND ACTION - will be observed **Sunday, September 16th**. All worshipping congregations are encouraged to use a litany focusing on the need for safe, decent housing for all of God's children. A copy of the "Prayer for Shelter" is available from the Diocesan office.

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.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW BBQ - Christ Church, Pensacola chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, is sponsoring a fantastic homemade BBQ chicken or pork lunch and/or dinner at Christ Church, **Friday, September 28th**. \$10.00 per plate includes meat, cole slaw, baked beans, pickle, homemade brownie and beverage. All proceeds benefit Wilmer Hall Children's Home! You may dine in (11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.) in the Parish Hall, or take out! For additional information, contact Christ Church (850) 432-5115.

EPIPHANY, CRESTVIEW FLORIDA - is having a Luau on **Saturday, September 29th** at the church (424 Garden St.). 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 and dancing as well. Tickets are \$15 for 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, 11:00 a.m. Anyone having business to come before the Standing Committee should be in touch with Vince Currie prior to September 28th.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN - Fall Blue Lake is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 2nd** through **Thursday, October 4th** at Blue Lake United Methodist Assembly, south of Andalusia, Alabama. The conference leader is The Rev. Kerry Holder Joffrion, an Episcopal priest and specialized ministry consultant and retreat leader. She has lead retreats all over the world and has served as a consultant on the labyrinth. Registration forms have been mailed to all congregations. For more information, call ECW Diocesan President Karen Jackson (334) 793-4472 or Registrar Lisa Smith (334) 222-5407.

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. Registration packets 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 notice of this workshop has been sent (by e-mail) to all congregations. Interested participants please intercept and register! Any questions, call Jennifer Godwin (850) 434-7337.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH FOUNDERS' DAY CONVOCATION - The University of the South is celebrating its 150th Anniversary with weekend activities, **October 6th - 9th**. Please keep the University of the South and its special ministries to us in your prayers at this special time.

CLIMATE CHANGE WORKSHOP - titled "Watersheds & Warming: a Faith, Science and Community Collaboration & Call to Action", is scheduled for **Thursday, October 11th** 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Junior League of Birmingham Building, Birmingham, AL. Sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama and the World Wildlife Fund, this will be an opportunity to hear from faith, community and environmental leaders, scientists, and science educators about concerns for climate change, especially how it affects Alabama's water. There is no cost for this event, and lunch will be provided. Space is limited to eighty participants. If interested, contact Dr. Eleanor DelBene at (205) 655-7667.

"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.

EPISCOPAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE FOR PARISHES AND INSTITUTIONS -

sponsored by the Church Pension Group, this conference is scheduled for **October 18th - 19th** in New York City or **November 1st - 2nd** in Orlando, Florida. The conference is a short course in "Everything you ever wanted to know about the Church Pension Group". Administrators, office managers, treasurers, and other persons charged with the financial and administrative functions of a parish or institution will find this conference beneficial. Conference information is available online at www.cpg.org/ebacparish. For additional information, contact Linda Puckett at the Church Pension Group at lpuckett@cpg.org or (800) 223-6602 ext. 6260.

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. MARY'S, MILTON FALL FESTIVAL - is set for **Friday, October 26th** (10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) and **Saturday, October 27th** (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.). Activities include a huge rummage sale, homemade baked good, homemade jams and jellies, and other delicious refreshments. The event will take place at the church site, 6849 Oak Street in downtown Milton. For more information, contact St. Mary's (850) 623-2905.

ST. JOHN'S, MOBILE RUMMAGE SALE - is scheduled for **October 26th - 27th** 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. There is tons of stuff, and some really good stuff! St. John's, Mobile is located at 1707 Government St. For more information, contact St. John's (251) 479-5474.

ANNUAL FALL COLLEGE CONFERENCE - titled "Life Comes at You Fast...the Post College Experience" is scheduled for **November 2nd - 4th** at Camp McDowell Episcopal Center in the Diocese of Alabama. Cost of \$50 includes two nights' lodging, all meals from Friday's supper through Sunday's breakfast, and all program materials. Registration begins at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 2nd. Conference will conclude after breakfast on Sunday morning. For a registration form and additional information, contact Canterbury Chapel at (205) 345-9590 or go to their website www.canterburychapel.org.

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.

ST. PAUL'S, MAGNOLIA SPRINGS "MARKET DAY" - is scheduled for all day **Saturday, November 3rd**. The market will include delectable delights of St. Paul's All Day Bakery, the Garden Luncheon, baked goods and frozen casseroles, the fantastic Church Boutique, children's activities, several dozen vendors offering unique goods including the finest in decorative items, antiques, wearing apparel, pottery, jewelry, fine arts, etc. New this year is the "Farmer's Market" with fall fruits and vegetables and delicious home baked products. Premiering this year is the 2007 St. Paul's Christmas Card - a beautiful gilded depiction of the icons of Archangels Michael and Gabriel by the hand of St. Paul's own iconographer Maybelle Godwin. For further information, contact Donna Esslinger at (251) 965-7400 or call St. Paul's at (251) 965-7452.

HOLY SPIRIT, GULF SHORES RETREAT - Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores is planning two retreats for the fall season: **November 3rd** will be "Healing Presence with the Saints" led by The Rev. Dr. Joanna Seibert, Deacon, Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock, AK. Dr. Seibert is the author of "Healing Presence, the Intersection of Medicine and Religion". She is Professor of Radiology and Pediatrics at the University of Arkansas Medical School and on the staff of the Arkansas Children's Hospital. The retreat is from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., with a \$5.00 charge for lunch and an open offering accepted at the closing Healing Service and Eucharist. Reservations are required for lunch. Call (251) 968-5988. . . . **THE SECOND RETREAT** is **December 7th - 9th**, offering labyrinth, iconography and prayer beads as aids to spirituality. Friday night is a planned pot luck supper with members of the congregation leading a study of these visual aids to worship. The labyrinth will be open to worship for the entire weekend. For additional information, contact Church of the Holy Spirit (251) 968-5988.

TRINITY, APALACHICOLA SEAFOOD FESTIVAL - is scheduled for **Saturday, November 3rd** at Trinity, Apalachicola. The event will be a Saturday luncheon featuring famous Apalachicola Seafood! The luncheon is sponsored by Trinity's Episcopal Church Women. For more information, call (850) 653-9550.

CHRIST CHURCH, PENSACOLA LADIES' NIGHT OUT - is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 13th** at Christ Church, Pensacola. The evening will include wine, hors d'oeuvres and a holiday fashion show. For more information, contact Christ Church at (850) 432-5115.

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 8th**, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.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**.

SMALL CHURCH CONFERENCE - "Growing God's Kingdom Through Small Churches" is the theme of a one-day conference set for **December 8th**, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. Anna's, Poarch (exit 54 on I-65, at Atmore, AL). The keynote speaker will be The Rev. Suzanne Watson, Staff Officer for Congregational Development at the Episcopal Church Center in New York. Included with registration are handbooks and Percept studies about each congregation. Flyers, including registration information will be mailed to each church in the near future. Register early to receive demographic studies for your congregation and area! Deadline for registration is November 26th.

KANUGA CONFERENCES OFFERINGS: Kanuga Conferences has announced its Fall to Winter schedule. If you are interested in any of these conferences, contact Kanuga Conferences at info@kanuga.org or (828) 692-9136: *Icon Writing, October 6th - 12th and November 10th - 16th; Spirituality Conference, October 28th - November 1st; Transformation and Renewal V, November 11th - 16th; Kanuga Fly-fishing Retreat, November 12th - 16th; Marriage Enrichment Retreat, November 16th - 18th; Advent Retreat, November 29th - December 2nd; Winterlight 32, December 27th - January 1, 2008; Vestry Conference, January 4-6, 2008; Knitting and Quilting Retreat, January 17-20, 2008; Iconography, February 9-15, 2008; Lenten Retreat, February 10-13, 2008 and Bowen Conference, February 18-20, 2008.*

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.

STUDY REFRESHER FOR CHURCH LEADERS - sponsored by the Center for Lifetime Theological Education at Virginia Theological Seminary, there are five week long conferences scheduled over the next year for clergy and lay professionals who desire to engage in self-directed study, and to do so in a supportive environment. Tuition for the week is \$595 and includes room and board for five nights. Continuing Education Credit (CEUs) are available. For more information or to request an application, please contact the Program Coordinator at (703) 461-1753 or Ite@vts.edu. The scheduled weeks are **October 15-19, 2007; November 5-9, 2007; March 3-7, 2008; April 21-25, 2008; and May 5-9, 2008.**

CATHEDRAL COLLEGE OF THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL - has put out its new catalog listing all of the conferences for the next year. For further information, go to www.cathedralcollege.org.

BAY AREA FOOD BANK - is in need of financial support for two primary projects in its ministry. They are building a new Mobile warehouse to support that area and are building a new warehouse in Pace, Florida to support that area. For more information on how you can help, contact, in Mobile (251-653-1617), and in Pensacola (850-995-1233). Their website is www.bayareafoodbank.org.

YOUTH GROUP VOLUNTEER NEEDED - St. Monica's, Cantonment is looking for a volunteer to work with the youth group during their meetings every other Wednesday night. If you are interested, or know someone who is, contact Roxiane Bryant at St. Monica's (850) 937-0001 between 8:30 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

CHURCH AUDITS - were due in the Bishop's office on or before September 1st. The following churches **HAVE NOT** submitted their annual audit. These churches should get their audits in as soon as possible. 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:

Andalusia, St. Mary's
Apalachicola, Trinity
Atmore, St. Anna's
Atmore, Trinity
Bay Minette, Immanuel
Cantonment, St. Monica's
Chickasaw, St. Michael's
Citronelle, St. Thomas'
Crestview, Epiphany
Destin, St. Andrew's
Dothan, Nativity
Enterprise, Epiphany
Eufaula, St. James'
Foley, St. Paul's
Ft Walton Beach, St. Simon's

Greenville, St. Thomas'
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis'
Lillian, Advent
Magnolia Springs, St. Paul's
Marianna, St. Luke's
Milton, St. Mary's
Mobile, Redeemer
Mobile, St. Andrew's
Mobile, St. John's
Mobile, St. Mark's
Mobile, St. Matthew's
Mobile, St. Paul's
Monroeville, St. John's
Navarre, St. Augustine's
Niceville, St. Jude's

Ozark, St. Michael's
Panama City, Holy Nativity
Panama City, St. Patrick's
Panama City Beach, Grace
Pensacola, Holy Cross
Pensacola, Holy Trinity
Pensacola, St. Cyprian's
Pensacola, St. John's
Port St. Joe, St. James'
Robertsdale, St. John
Santa Rosa Beach, Christ the King
Troy, St. Mark's
Beckwith Camp
Wilmer Hall

PLANNED GIVING QUOTE - "He who is not liberal with what he has, does not deceive himself when he thinks he would be liberal if he had more!"

MONTHLY HEALTH TIP - To learn more about ways to manage stress, please visit the Cleveland Clinic's website at www.clevelandclinic.org

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

Commission on Finance	Sep 17	Diocesan office
Fresh Start	Sep 20	Diocesan office
Congregational Development Conference	Sep 27 - 29	Gray Center, MS
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
Spirituality Conference	Oct 28 - Nov 1	Kanuga
Annual Fall College Conference	Nov 2 - 4	Camp McDowell
Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores Retreat	Nov 3	Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores
Fresh Start	Nov 15	Diocesan office
Prayer of Spirit & Body Retreat	Nov 16 - 18	Beckwith
Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores Retreat	Dec 7 - 9	Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores
Area-Wide Confirmation	Dec 8	Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile
Small Church Conference	Dec 8	St. Anna's, Atmore

BISHOP DUNCAN'S CALENDAR

Visitation	Sep 16	Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores
Commission on Finance	Sep 17	Diocesan office
House of Bishops meeting	Sep 19 - 22	New Orleans
Visitation	Sep 23	St. Francis, Dauphin Island
House of Bishops meeting	Sep 23 - 25	New Orleans
Visitation	Sep 30	Trinity, Apalachicola
Standing Committee	Oct 1	St. James', Fairhope
General Board of Examining Chaplains	Oct 3 - 6	Washington, DC
Visitation	Oct 7	St. Mary's, Milton
Episcopal/Methodist Conference	Oct 9 - 17	London, England
GTS Board meeting	Oct 18 - 21	New York, NY
Bishops' Systems Group meeting	Oct 22 - 26	Boston, MA
Visitation	Oct 28	Holy Trinity, Pensacola
Commission on Ministry meeting	Oct 29	Diocesan office

BISHOP MILLER'S CALENDAR

Visitation	Sep 16	St. Peter's, Bon Secour
Visitation	Sep 23	St. Andrew's, Destin
Visitation	Sep 30	St. John, Robertsedale

BISHOP SCHOFIELD'S CALENDAR

Visitation	Oct 7	Christ the King, Santa Rosa Beach
Visitation	Oct 14	St. John's, Monroeville
Visitation	Oct 21	St. Paul's, Magnolia Springs
Visitation	Oct 28	St. James', Port St. Joe

CANON DUNNAM'S CALENDAR

Visitation	Sep 16	St. Peter's, Jackson
Visitation	Sep 23	St. Mark's, Mobile
Visitation	Sep 30	St. Michael's, Ozark
Province IV Deployment Officers mtg	Oct 7	Orlando, FL
Visitation	Oct 14	St. Cyprian's, Pensacola
Visitation	Oct 21	Holy Nativity, Panama City

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH: "Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it!"

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