

THE GREEN SHEET

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CLERGY NEWS

WELCOME to **Deacon Christy Huffman** and her husband **Rev. Nate Huffman**, both ordained in the ELCA Lutheran Church, who have moved into our diocese. Christy will be assisting at St. John's Pensacola and Nate is the Chaplain at the Naval Air Station and will be licensed to supply. We look forward to shared ministry while they are stationed here.

NEW DUVALL CENTER WILL BE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 5

NEW IRS MILEAGE RATE CHANGE

For the final 6 months of 2022, the standard mileage rate for business travel has increased 4 cents from 58.5 cents to **62.5 cents per mile**, effective July 1, 2022. In recognition of recent gasoline price increases, the IRS made this special adjustment for the final months of 2022. The IRS normally updates the mileage rates once a year in the fall for the next calendar year. Go to <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-increases-mileage-rate-for-remainder-of-2022> for additional information.

NEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH STREET SIGNS NOW AVAILABLE FROM FORWARD MOVEMENT

Forward Movement has announced it is the new official home of Episcopal Church street signs, having acquired the business from Faith Goods, part of Day1, in late 2021.

For more than a half century, the "Episcopal Church Welcomes You" street sign has been used as a highly visible community invitation for churches. Visitors and inquirers may search the internet for directions to local churches, but they also recognize a familiar sign when they see it. Local signage is a valuable strategy for churches to maintain visibility and a distinct brand identity for continued growth and development.

"Street signs are evangelism, plain and simple, but with huge potential impact. They help with community visibility for all churches, especially those located on side streets and outside city centers," said the Rev. Canon Scott Gunn, executive director of Forward Movement. "We're excited to help churches refresh their signage to help them reach more disciples."

Churches can request estimates and place orders for new signage at signs.forwardmovement.org.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES

As we head into hurricane season, now is the perfect time to review your church's emergency preparedness plan and procedures. It is critical to have updated contact information readily available for church leadership and to identify your church's most vulnerable population in the event of a local emergency situation - like extreme weather. Equally important is to have checklist of how to secure your church facility and property or prepare for unexpected issues such fire, potential violence, active shooter. The diocese has curated a list of helpful resources, available at www.dioctgc.org/emergency-response.

TECHNOLOGY SAVINGS FOR NON-PROFITS

Remember that all churches have an account created for them on TechSoup, a technology non-profit that provides access to many tools for other non-profits donated by key companies such as Microsoft, Intuit, Adobe, Dell, etc. This allows your church to purchase software, hardware, courses, and other technology services at greatly discounted rates. Please contact the diocesan office to receive your association code and to provide the name/email of who will be your TechSoup administrator (required if you want to place an order). Visit www.techsoup.org to look over products.

CHANGES TO THE ONLINE SAFEGUARDING / RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Our Safeguarding system has migrated to a new platform. You can find links and guidelines on the diocesan website at: <https://www.dioctgc.org/administrative-resources> The name of this program changed from "Armatus" to "Praesidium Academy." Each church must identify church Administrators; Admin's can be added to the system by contacting the

Diocesan Office. These Admins will add their church members to the Academy system and generate "invitations" to those needing to take Safeguarding modules.

To Sign Up for new Safeguarding system:

1. E-mail the Safeguarding Online Administrator assigned to your parish.
2. Your designated church Administrator will facilitate your access Praesidium Academy by generating an "invitation e-mail" which will be sent to you from donotreply@praesidiuminc.com.
3. Fill in the required information (including your desired password).
4. Click Accept Invite.
5. You will be redirected to the login screen - please log in with your e-mail address and the password you just created.
6. You can now proceed to find and complete the required modules.

If your coursework is over 4 years old, it will be considered dated/expired and may not have been moved over into your new account. If you have any questions, please contact Dwight Babcock or Mary Poss at 850-434-7337.

2022 LOGIN CREDENTIALS FOR TENS STEWARDSHIP MATERIALS

2022 password: Luke9:17 (Note: a username is no longer required.)

We are a diocesan member of TENS, [The Episcopal Network for Stewardship](#). With our membership comes the ability for all of our churches to use the materials advertised by TENS. They include all the printable materials and resources for an eight-week giving campaign. This year's materials combined with the ZOOM workshops in July and August will help you and your congregation navigate these new times, using technical and pastoral best practices. Please download the tools through the members portal and invite your stewardship teams to sign up for workshops.

The login credentials change each year for members. LOGIN at:

<https://www.tens.org/annual-pledge-campaigns/every-perfect-gift-2021/>

In addition, TENS is offering several free webinars to all members. You may find those at

<https://www.tens.org/webinars-events/tens-webinars/>

INSURANCE UPDATES

- Please visit our website for additional insurance info:
 - [Congregational Resources](#)
 - [Risk Management & Insurance Basics for Religious Organizations \(recommended\)](#)
 - [Safety and Insurance Handbook for Churches \(recommended\)](#)

CONGREGATIONS IN TRANSITION (as of 8/1/2022)

Andalusia, St. Mary's	Using supply clergy, profile on parish website; receiving names
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis	Interim in place - profile on parish website; receiving names
Magnolia Springs, St. Paul's Chapel	Interim in place - profile on parish website; receiving names
Niceville, St. Jude's	Interim in place - profile on parish website; receiving names

Please do not contact the openings directly. For information, please contact:

The Rev. Massey Gentry, Canon to the Ordinary, at mgfairhope@gmail.com or (251) 459-4169.

NEW JOB POSTINGS [Submit a job posting](#)

Gulf Breeze Senior Center

The Gulf Breeze Senior Center is seeking a part-time Coordinator of Seniors Saving the Earth. The position is for a one-year term and is made possible due to funding from a United Thank Offering grant received by the Center earlier this year. [VIEW JOB DESCRIPTION](#).

Contact: Kim Giryluk (856) 305-2946

COMMUNICATIONS QUICK LINKS

[Submit an article for publication](#)

[Submit a church/community event](#)

[Submit a job posting](#)

LINK TO SUBSCRIBE TO DIOCESAN EMAIL LIST

We would be so grateful if you would consider adding the link below to your regular church communications and on your websites so that members can subscribe and stay connected to news from around the diocese. Thank you! [SUBSCRIBE TO DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS](#) or Text DIOCGC to 22828.

MUSIC LICENSING

If your church offers music during services, it is important to follow all copyright guidelines, which include maintaining a license to perform, broadcast, or print copyrighted music. Review your church's licensing agreements, and be sure to add the streaming option if you are broadcasting services online. Recommended licensing companies include [One License](#), [Christian Copyright Licensing International](#)(CCLI), [Christian Copyright Solutions](#).

LEARN - PRAY - ACT RESOURCES

As a recommitment to our work of Becoming Beloved Community, the Commission on Racial Justice & Reconciliation gathered resources for us to do this work. You can find the resources at www.diocgc.org/learn-pray-act.

CYCLES OF PRAYER FOR DIOCESE AND PRISON MINISTRY

Congregations are asked to include both our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and our Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer in their Prayers of the People, newsletters, and/or bulletins. Both are available at www.diocgc.org/cycle-of-prayer.

DID THE BISHOP VISIT YOUR CHURCH?

If Bishop Russell made a visit to your church for confirmation, reception or other special event, we would love to have a group photo or two on file for our records and sharing in our newsletters! Send high resolution images (1MB or larger file size) to jenn@diocgc.org, include photographers name for credit.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Jonathan Myrick Daniels Pilgrimage	Aug 13	Lowndes County Courthouse MORE DETAILS
Commission on Racial Justice & Reconciliation - Speaker Series with J. Chester Johnson	Aug 25	Online MORE DETAILS
Cursillo #167	Sep 15-18	Beckwith MORE DETAILS

Stay up-to-date on diocesan events by bookmarking our calendar: <https://www.diocgc.org/calendar-of-events>.

BISHOP RUSSELL'S SCHEDULE

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Jonathan Myrick Daniels pilgrimage	Aug 13	Lowndes County Courthouse
Visitation	Aug 14 9am	St. Michael's, Ozark
Visitation	Aug 14 11am	Epiphany, Enterprise
COM/Standing Cmte Candidacy Interviews	Aug 20	Duvall Center
Visitation	Aug 21	St. Augustine's, Navarre
Pensacola Clergy Gathering	Aug 23	Pensacola [tbd]
Convocation IV Clergy Gathering	Aug 25	St. Mary's, Andalusia
Visitation	Aug 28	St. Paul's, Foley
Visitation	Aug 31	Epiphany, Crestview

Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

Green Sheet 2022

Treasurer's Report - July 2022

(Please Note: Report reflects funds received as of July 28, 2022)

Congregational Pledges	MTD Actual (2022)	YTD Rec'd (2022)	YTD Budget Variance	Annual Pledge (2022)
Pledges				
Andalusia, St. Mary's (131)	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	(\$1,000)	\$12,000.00
Apalachicola, Trinity (120)	\$1,333.00	\$9,331.00	\$0	\$16,000.00
Atmore, St. Anna's (114)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$350)	\$600.00
Atmore, Trinity (27)	\$200.00	\$1,400.00	\$112	\$2,208.00
Bay Minette, Immanuel (29)	\$478.30	\$2,635.36	\$663	\$3,382.00
Bon Secour, St. Peter's (165)	\$397.00	\$3,261.63	(\$732)	\$6,846.00
Brewton, St. Stephen's (168)	\$919.30	\$8,851.47	(\$1,118)	\$17,090.00
Cantonment, St. Monica's (118)	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$250	\$600.00
Chickasaw, St. Michael's (45)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$302)	\$517.00
Chipley, St. Matthew's (46)	\$450.00	\$3,807.03	\$657	\$5,400.00
Citronelle, St. Thomas (4)	\$0.00	\$220.00	\$16	\$350.00
Coden, St. Mary's (33)	\$0.00	\$5,569.00	\$2,652	\$5,000.00
Crestview, Epiphany (40)	\$200.00	\$1,400.00	\$0	\$2,400.00
Daphne, St. Paul's (675)	\$5,100.00	\$35,720.00	(\$42)	\$61,307.00
Dauphin Isld, St. Francis (55)	\$850.00	\$5,950.00	\$36	\$10,138.00
DeFnk Spgs, St Agatha's (52)	\$0.00	\$1,966.09	(\$367)	\$4,000.00
Destin, St. Andrew's (83)	\$1,675.00	\$4,350.00	\$442	\$6,700.00
Dothan, Nativity (511)	\$4,333.00	\$26,000.00	(\$4,333)	\$52,000.00
Enterprise, Epiphany (47)	\$850.00	\$5,950.00	\$166	\$9,916.00
Eufaula, St. James' (196)	\$1,250.00	\$7,500.00	(\$1,250)	\$15,000.00
Fairhope, St. James' (1453)	\$9,173.73	\$66,594.61	(\$9,239)	\$130,000.00
Foley, St. Paul's (263)	\$2,375.00	\$16,625.00	\$0	\$28,507.00
Ft. Wltn Bch, St. Simon (516)	\$4,831.67	\$33,821.69	\$0	\$57,980.00
Greenville, St. Thomas (130)	\$1,819.99	\$10,550.90	(\$1,778)	\$21,136.00
Gulf Breeze, St. Francis (243)	\$1,248.00	\$10,441.00	(\$610)	\$18,945.00
Gulf Shores, Holy Spirit (375)	\$2,812.50	\$19,687.50	\$0	\$33,750.00
Jackson, St. Peter's (29)	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$583	\$1,400.00
Laguna Beach, St. Thomas (96)	\$0.00	\$2,786.41	(\$460)	\$5,565.00
Lillian, Advent (75)	\$910.83	\$6,375.81	\$0	\$10,930.00
Magnolia Spgs, St. Pauls (201)	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$3,333	\$20,000.00
Marianna, St. Luke's (132)	\$2,166.66	\$7,583.28	(\$758)	\$14,300.00
Milton, St. Mary's (160)	\$0.00	\$8,041.25	(\$805)	\$15,165.00
Mobile, All Saints' (418)	\$1,666.67	\$11,500.02	(\$167)	\$20,000.00
Mobile, Christ (607)	\$3,483.33	\$24,383.31	\$0	\$41,800.00
Mobile, Good Shepherd (146)	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,253	\$423.00
Mobile, Redeemer (270)	\$1,120.66	\$7,276.00	(\$453)	\$13,250.00
Mobile, St. Andrew's (37)	\$259.00	\$2,104.00	(\$813)	\$5,000.00
Mobile, St. John's (119)	\$871.17	\$6,201.37	(\$2,024)	\$14,100.00
Mobile, St. Luke's (331)	\$0.00	\$9,999.96	(\$1,667)	\$20,000.00
Mobile, St. Mark's (6)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,400)	\$2,400.00
Mobile, St. Paul's (2033)	\$0.00	\$92,502.00	(\$15,415)	\$185,000.00
Mobile, Trinity (215)	\$0.00	\$7,260.00	(\$1,210)	\$14,520.00
Monroeville, St. John's (45)	\$121.88	\$2,097.02	(\$3,377)	\$9,384.00
Navarre, St. Augustine's (127)	\$453.00	\$2,015.50	\$179	\$3,148.00
Niceville, St. Jude's (238)	\$2,354.92	\$16,484.44	(\$70)	\$28,379.00
Ozark, St. Michael's (44)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$915)	\$1,568.00
Pnma City, Holy Nativity (706)	\$2,750.00	\$19,250.00	\$0	\$33,000.00
Panama City, St. Andrews (250)	\$1,436.00	\$28,030.00	\$17,530	\$18,000.00
Panama City, St. Patrick's (64)	\$379.91	\$2,037.48	(\$1,862)	\$6,684.00
Panama City Beach, Grace (123)	\$877.50	\$6,142.50	\$0	\$10,524.00
Pensacola, Christ (1307)	\$20,204.00	\$70,929.00	(\$3,213)	\$127,100.00
Pensacola, Holy Cross (211)	\$1,900.00	\$13,300.00	\$117	\$22,600.00
Pensacola, Holy Trinity (90)	\$951.05	\$6,657.35	\$1,043	\$9,625.00
Pcola, St. Christopher's (603)	\$5,638.33	\$39,468.35	\$0	\$67,660.00
Pensacola, St. Cyprian's (45)	\$0.00	\$850.00	(\$1,130)	\$3,395.00
Pensacola, St. John's (104)	\$916.67	\$6,415.69	\$0	\$11,000.00
Pt St. Joe, St. James' (125)	\$0.00	\$750.00	(\$125)	\$1,500.00
Robertsdale, St. John (61)	\$270.00	\$945.00	(\$47)	\$1,700.00
SRB, Christ King (255)	\$0.00	\$28,996.22	(\$1,337)	\$52,000.00
Troy, St. Mark's (116)	\$1,465.00	\$10,255.00	\$0	\$17,580.00
Wewahitchka, St. John's (16)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,167)	\$2,000.00
Total Pledges	\$96,893	\$746,769	(\$30,502)	\$1,332,472