



The Weekly Grail

January 24, 2010



Sunday, January 24

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 8:30 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School Classes, 9:15 am
Adult Forum, 9:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 11:30 a.m.
Hattiesburg Concert Band, 3:00 p.m., Saenger Theater
EYC at the Fortners, 5:30 – 7 p.m..

Monday, January 25

EFM, 8:45 a.m.
Finance Commission Meeting, 5:15 p.m.

Tuesday, January 26

Social Workers Workshop, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (*Parish Hall*)
Staff Meeting, 4:00 p.m.
Annual Council Mtg. at Ascension for Delegates and Alternates, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 27

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service, 9:30 a.m.
Vestry Meeting, 5:15 p.m.
Micro-Industry Mission, 5:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 28

Zeus Rehearsal, 5-8 p.m.

Friday, January 29

VESTRY BALLOTS DUE, 12 noon

Sunday, January 31

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 8:30 a.m.
EYC Bake Sale in Parish Hall to benefit Haiti
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, 9:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School Classes, 9:15 am
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 11:30 a.m.
Ecumenical Prayer Service for Haiti, 5:00 p.m.
 Main Street Methodist Church

Future Events

Adult Forum—Season of Epiphany

January 24 *The Help** by Kathryn Stockett
 January 31 Annual Parish Meeting
 February 7 *The Help*, continued
 February 14 The Role of Southern Churches during
 the Civil Rights Era
 Presented by Dr. Neil McMillan

*Kathryn Stockett's first novel *The Help* captures universal memories of complex race relations in the Jackson homes of three young women and "the help" during the early 1960's. Copies of *The Help* are available at the Hattiesburg Public Library, Books-A-Million, and Amazon.com.

Help For Haiti

The Mississippi Diocesan office advises that the best way to help the Haitian people at the present time is through monetary donations administered through the Episcopal Relief and Development. You may either turn in a check payable to "Episcopal Relief and Development" marked "Haiti Relief" to the Trinity office, or go online at <http://www.er-d.org> to make a donation. An estimated 3 million people have been affected by the 7.0 earthquake. Your donation will help.

The Diocese of Haiti, which has the largest number of congregants in The Episcopal Church, began through the missionary work of The Rt. Rev. James Theodore Holly (at that time, from Connecticut) in 1861. He became their first bishop, and the first African-American bishop in The Episcopal Church. The Diocese of Haiti now has 180,000 congregants, 98 churches, and 30 priests. Holy Trinity Cathedral, the principal church in Port-au-Prince established by Bishop Holly, was totally destroyed in the earthquake.

Regional Cursillo Ultreya Meetings

The MS Episcopal Cursillo will be hosting 3 Regional Grand Ultreyas around the state of MS on **Saturday, Jan 30, 2010**. Our Region is COAST/SOUTH. This is open to ALL. Please join us as a past participant or anyone that would like to know more about Cursillo's "Rule of Life". Our Regional Host Parish is Ascension in Hattiesburg located 3600 Arlington Loop, 601-264-6773. The preliminary schedule is as follows:

9:30 am Coffee and Refreshments
10:00 am Eucharist with Cursillo music.
After Eucharist 3 brief Talks will be given on
Piety, Study and Action.
"Noon-ish" - Lunch
Adjourn

There is NO CHARGE to attend. Please however, contact Barbara Hammer if you plan on attending so we'll know how many to prepare for. Barbara can be reached at 601-549-6747 or at decolores90@hotmail.com.

What is Cursillo?

Cursillo means "Short Course" (in Christianity). A Cursillo 3-day weekend begins on a Thursday night and ends on Sunday afternoon and is held at Gray Center in Canton, MS and is usually held in spring and fall. Cursillo's purpose is to grow Christian Leaders in church, family and the world. Leaders are not always those who are in charge but are leaders by example. Cursillo helps men and women develop a plan for a Rule of Life which involves Piety, Study and Action. It helps clarify your spiritual direction by maintaining a personal relationship with Christ. Cursillo 3 day weekends consist of daily Eucharist and 15 Talks given by Laity Staff and Clergy that serve as Spiritual Directors for the weekend. The Talks are on *Ideals, Grace, Laity, Faith, Piety, Study, Sacraments, Action, Obstacles, Leaders, Study of Environments, Christian Life, Christian Community in Action, Group Reunions* (help and support for each other in a closer walk with Christ) and *Ultreya* (Perseverance for the Lord). Learn how to bring Christ to the world by our motto; **"Make a Friend, Be a Friend and Bring a Friend to Christ"**

Future Cursillo 3 Day Weekends

March 11-14, 2010 (Now accepting Applications) and Oct 21-24, 2010,
April 28-May 1, 2011 and Oct 13-16, 2011.

Southeastern U. S. Regional Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop (ECLW)

May 14- 16, 2010 Jackson/Ridgeland

Lenten Devotional Booklets

Deadline for your devotion/reflection for our 2010 Lenten Devotional Book is Wednesday, February 3.

Email your submission to harvann@consultant.com or mail a hard copy to Harvey Poole, 1018 Ryan Road, Hattiesburg, MS 39402.

**Open Dates for 2010
Altar Flower Sponsorship**

April 11
June 20, 27
July 11, 18
September 5
October 24

Cost is \$75.00 per Sunday
Forms available in Narthex or Church Office

Greeter/Monitor Volunteers are needed for January thru December 2010. Notebook with the sign up sheets is on the piano in the Parish Hall.

**Jr. DOY Weekend
February 19-21**

Jr. High DOY weekends are for students in 6th – 8th grades. They are held at Camp Bratton-Green, just north of Canton, MS. Cost for the weekend is \$75 (includes lodging, meals, and a t-shirt). Scholarships are available by contacting Marian, or the Rev. Annie Cumberland at acumberland@standrewscathedral.org (601.405-3708) or Bill Cruse at bill.cruse@gmail.com (601.473.6159). Applications are available in the church office or go on line at dioms.org. Checks are made to Diocese of Mississippi.