

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Diocese of Jackson is committed to ensuring that no one being served by the church be (is) at risk of sexual abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel. The spiritual well-being of all the victims, their families and others in the community is of particular concern to the church. In accordance with our policy, all victims are offered counseling and pastoral care.

Anyone who has been a victim of abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel and has not yet reported it is encouraged to do so. Our victim assistance coordinator, Valerie McClellan, a licensed social worker, is available to assist in making a report. Please contact her at 601-326-3728.

For more information about diocesan policies and procedures and to learn what the diocese is doing to create a safe environment for everyone, please visit the diocesan website at www.jacksondiocese.org and click on "Protection of Children."

Bishop Joseph R. Kopacz, D.D., Ph.D.

9/2015



GERMANFEST --- Please join us for the 29th annual St. Joseph Catholic Church Germanfest on **Sunday, September 27, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Advance meal tickets are \$6 and are available from parishioners of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Ticket information is also available by calling the parish office at 601-856-2054. Meals the day of the festival will be \$7. Parking is free. We are located at 127 Church Rd., Madison (just west of exit 112 off of I-55). Visit the Country Store for a variety of homemade canned goods and crafts, the Dessert Booth will have your favorite German desserts and there will be lots of fun activities for the children!

THE CROSS TO BEAR

If you bear the cross gladly, it will bear you.

--Thomas à Kempis

PARISH FOOD PANTRY

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS TO EVERYONE WHO DONATES TO OUR FOOD PANTRY... WE ARE SO BLESSED!



We assist people every Wednesday morning from 10am-12noon (by appointment) and are always grateful for those who donate food items.

When shopping for yourselves, pick up a few extra items. **We are always in need** of canned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, dried beans, rice, spaghetti/sauce, peanut butter and jelly.

*****If you would rather make a monetary donation, we will gladly go shopping for you!**

Theology of the Body Presentation

We would like to invite you to a special presentation of **Theology of the Body, Saturday, September 26th at 9am at St Francis in Madison.** Fr. Ben Bradshaw grew up in Memphis, but has lived in Russia, Guatemala, Mexico, Africa, and Eastern and Western Europe. His Bio begins with an Associate Degree in Culinary Arts, Licentiate Degree in Sacred Theology, Master of Arts and Master of Divinity in Sacred Theology. We look forward to seeing you on the 26th! For more information contact:

Celeste Trantham,

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

ctrantham@stfrancismadison.org or 601-856-5556

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday - 9:00am-7:00pm

(Praying for Families)

1st Saturday - 12Noon-3:00pm

(Praying for Vocations)

Please sign-up in advance

so we know what hours will be covered!



2015 Men and Women Cursillos Planned

In the Cursillo Movement, we approach evangelization as a very natural act of being Christ-like within each of our daily activities. We realize that while most people would like to live their lives in a Christ-like manner, the pressures of the world often make this difficult. The Cursillo Movement provides a method and a technique to provide each of us with the tools, the mentality, the strength, and the support to make this natural type of evangelization possible. The Cursillo method endeavors to restore the beauty of the first Christian communities which prompted pagans to say with admiration: "See how they love one another!"

Upcoming Cursillos:

Men's Weekend - October 8-11, 2015 at the Canton Duncan Gray Campground

Ladies' Weekend - October 15-18, 2015 at the Canton Duncan Gray Conference Center

Please note: The fee for the Ladies' Cursillo is \$100 more than the Men's because it's held at the Conference Center instead of the Campground.

Contact Sue Anne Booth, 601-960-8474 or sueanne.booth@jacksondiocese.org for additional information. Applications can be found at: www.jacksondiocese.org; click on Evangelization (In Action), scroll down to "Other Opportunities - Cursillo Movement" and select Men's or Ladies' applications *or in the gathering space of church.*

CONFIRMATION CLASS -- Confirmation class begins Sunday, September 27th at 11:30am in the parish office meeting room! It is open to youth in grades 10-12. Please register, by completing a lavender registration form located in the gathering space or email: stheresecc@yahoo.com or Teresa Preuss at tepreussmahecha@gmail.com

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

If your child is planning to receive:

First Reconciliation and Eucharist in 2016, THEY MUST ATTEND CLASSES. Registration forms are available in the gathering space of church. Sessions will begin Sunday, September 27th at 9:00am in the parish office classrooms.

To register your child/children, please email: Ingrid Piernas at iapiernas@gmail.com or Teresa Preuss tepreussmahecha@gmail.com.



St. Therese Parish has pledged \$3000.00 to the 2015 Habitat for Humanity Catholic Build.

We have collected to date: \$600.00

BLESSING OF GREENVIEW STREET by Bishop Kopacz with St. Joseph High School Choir performing --- Please plan to attend September 16th at 11:00am on Greenview Street.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

St. Therese Work Day is November 7th; come on out and show your St. Therese Community Spirit. *Many thanks to all who have volunteered for our work day ... blessings abound!*

Kerryn DeVerteuil, St. Therese Habitat Coordinator



Month of September Prayer Intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis



Universal: *Opportunities for the young*
Opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.

Evangelization: *Catechists*

That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
Those Seeking Employment and Peace in the World!



Congratulations and "104 Birthday Blessings"

Mrs. Peggy Huffman

September 15th

May our gracious Lord bless you today and always. You are such an inspiration to all!



Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), is the formal process by which new members join the Catholic Church. RCIA begins Sunday, September 27th at 9:00am in the parish hall. Contact: Teresa Preuss at tepreussmahecha@gmail.com.

2015 RE-CERTIFICATION

ALL EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS MUST RECERTIFY THIS YEAR BY OCTOBER 1ST!

The 2015 Protection of Children Web-Based Online Re-certification Program is posted in the Protection of Children eApps database and is available for participation immediately. **The safe environment review for active employees/significant volunteers is required each odd-number calendar year.**

INSTRUCTIONS

Go to the Jackson Diocese Website:

www.jacksondiocese.org. Scroll down and click on

"Protection of Children". Scroll down and click on

ACCESS PROTECTION OF CHILDREN RE-CERTIFICATION PROGRAM. Follow the instructions to complete the online review. Should you have questions, please contact Teresa Kemp at the parish office 601-372-4481.

33rd Annual Bishop's Cup Golf Tournament Scramble, Thursday, Sept. 17th, at Lake Caroline Golf Course, Madison, MS. Proceeds for this year's tournament will benefit the newly established **Fr. Martin Ruane Memorial Trust.** This trust will fund grant projects throughout the diocese.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"JOURNEY OF HOPE LUNCHEON"

Join Catholic Charities at The Journey of Hope Luncheon, featuring nationally known guest speaker Fr. Jonathan Morris, Tuesday, October 13, 2015 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. at the Jackson Marriott.

Catholic Charities is also hosting a Meet and Greet sponsorship gathering Monday, October 12, 2015 from 6- 8pm. at The Old Capitol Inn. Tickets for Monday evening are \$100 per person. For more information on these events please visit www.catholiccharitiesjackson.org or call 601-355-8634.