



St. Andrew's Tidings

For the Week of August 14

Burning, Burning

I look not only at tongue and speech;
I look at the spirit and the inward
feeling.
I look into the heart to see whether it be lowly...
Enough of phrases and conceits and
metaphors!
I want burning, burning...
Light up a fire of love in thy soul,
Burn all thought and expression
Away!
Moses, they that know the conventions
Are of one sort;
They whose souls burn are of
another. ...Rumi (1207-1273)

Fire both frightens and fascinates humans. Fire creates and fire destroys. In the furnaces of the stars, all the elements of the material world are brought into existence by fire. In the furnaces of Auschwitz, humans were consumed by fire. Fire lights up the night sky. Fire burns.

Looking closely at the process by which fire creates and destroys, we can see that the primary action of fire is one of transformation: fire changes matter into energy and energy into matter. Fire is the agent of change.

"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled." Fire can transform flour and water and salt into bread that, in the meal of the liturgy, nurtures us along the pathways of grace. Fire can transform dry, dead wood into heat and light; it can purify dead forests, transforming death and disease into new, vital gardens.

"I have a baptism to be baptized with," says Jesus. "One who is more powerful than I is coming. ..." proclaimed John the baptizer. "He will baptize you

with the Holy Spirit and fire.” What transforming fire did Jesus wish “were already kindled?” The fire of the Holy Spirit that ignited and transformed the disciples? The baptism of fire that was his crucifixion and death? The fire of god’s love that would spread like wildfire from human heart to human heart? The fire of a new creation that would issue forth from the furnace of God’s mercy?

Jesus came to bring transforming, purifying fire to the earth. Jesus came to bring forth a new creation, kindled by the greatest power in the universe: love so abundant and pure that our lives are transformed by his “baptism of fire” on the cross.

*Blessings and love,
Margaret+*



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW NURSERY ATTENDANT

***Jeanette Hernandez**, our new adult Nursery Attendant who will be in the nursery from 9:30 a.m. until after the service. Jeanette comes to us from Circles to Bridges at St. John’s Catholic Church. She will register the children, and get permission slips. She will also be taking the Diocesan course: “Safeguarding Our Children” program through the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast.*



Please join us for BayLights 2016

September 30 - October 2

A Diocesan Homecoming Weekend and
Beckwith Event Fundraiser

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When:

Friday September 30, 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Saturday October 1, 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

Sunday October 2, 10:00 am - 11:30 am

[Add to Calendar](#)

Weekend Events Include:

Friday, September 30th

The Undercroft Cafe sponsored by Nativity, Dothan

with Music by Rock Bottom

The Cafe opens at 6:30 pm with music starting at 6:30 pm



Saturday, October 1st

Bishop's BBQ sponsored by Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores

12:00 pm

Diocesan Ultreya 2:00 pm

Fun Activities for the Family & Youth all day

**Giant Water Slide, Cornhole, Badminton, Blooper Ball, Pool
Volleyball, Kayaks, Canoes, Paddleboards, Climbing Wall**

College Football in Wilson Hall

Saturday Night

Live Auction, Low Country Boil & Party sponsored by
St. Christopher's, Pensacola

with music by

Kate Kelly and The Forest Fire Gospel Choir



Music starts at 5:00 pm

First Pick Raffle draw 6:00 pm

Live Auction begins immediately after the draw

Low Country Boil 6:45 pm

Live Auction items include Vacation Homes, Condos,

Hunting & Fishing Trips, Art, & Themed Baskets

Please consider a donation to our Auction - contact Eleanor@BeckwithAL.com

Sunday, October 2nd

Holy Eucharist - 10:00 am

A Special Thank You to our Sponsors:

Church of the Nativity, Dothan

Holy Spirit, Gulf Shores

St. Christopher's, Pensacola

St. Andrew's, Panama City - St. Luke's, Mobile - Joe McDaniel

St. Paul's Chapel, Magnolia Springs - Kathy & Gary Moore

Karen & Matt McDonald - Teri & Joel Williams - Becky & Lee Scott

Cursillo Commission - Margaret & Mark Deakle

Cynthia Tappan - Janet & Michael Foote

McGee & Lonnie Lorren - Becky & Wayne Brunson

Katherine & Ellis Allen - Magoo & Bill Hamilton

Bishop Kendrick and The Diocese of The Central Gulf Coast

PR Chemical and Paper Supply Company

BAYLIGHTS! IS COMING-If you are interested in going, make your room reservation NOW, or you might not get one if you wait.

BAYLIGHTS September 30-Oct. 2

Ways to Help St. Andrew's

Donate a carton of 11x17, or 8 ½ x11 paper

Make sure the thermostats are turned up to 78 after your meetings.

CURSILLO

There are 2 Cursillos coming up! Let's have a great group to go! If you want to go, fill out an application-found on the rack in Byrne Hall and give to Margaret+. Also, if you would like to serve as our Liaison for Cursillo, let Margaret or Fran know.

CURSILLO 157

Nov. 10-13

Bob Donnell, Lay Rector

St. Paul's - Mobile

CURSILLO 158

March 8-12, 2017

CURSILLO APPLICATIONS: ON THE RACK IN BYRNE HALL

**THERE WILL BE A YARD SALE SOON BENEFITTING
THE NURSERY. IF YOU HAVE ITEMS, PLEASE BRING
THEM TO ROOM 6 BY THE PET GARDEN. PLEASE
PRICE YOUR ITEMS. THANKS!**

******New Parish Directory******

We are working on a new parish directory and need your help. If you have not already filled out an information sheet, please do so before or after the service today and place it on the card table near the bulletin board in Byrne Hall. The greeters will have the information sheets. Please PRINT your information. Thanks!

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

Thursday, August 18th, is St. Andrew's turn to serve Supper at Grace. We meet at 9 a.m. in Byrne Hall to pack lunches and do some of the dinner prep work. At 3 p.m. we start cooking at Grace Episcopal Church on the beach. We prepare dinner and set up for our guests so we are ready to serve at 6 p.m. Dinner is served until 7 p.m. and then we clean up. We welcome all helpers for any time you can come and support this ministry. Schools in Bay County open the next day so this is an opportunity to give pack lunches and a healthy meal to the many children who come to Supper at Grace. If you can, please join us. For more info, contact Teri Floore or Diane Tate.



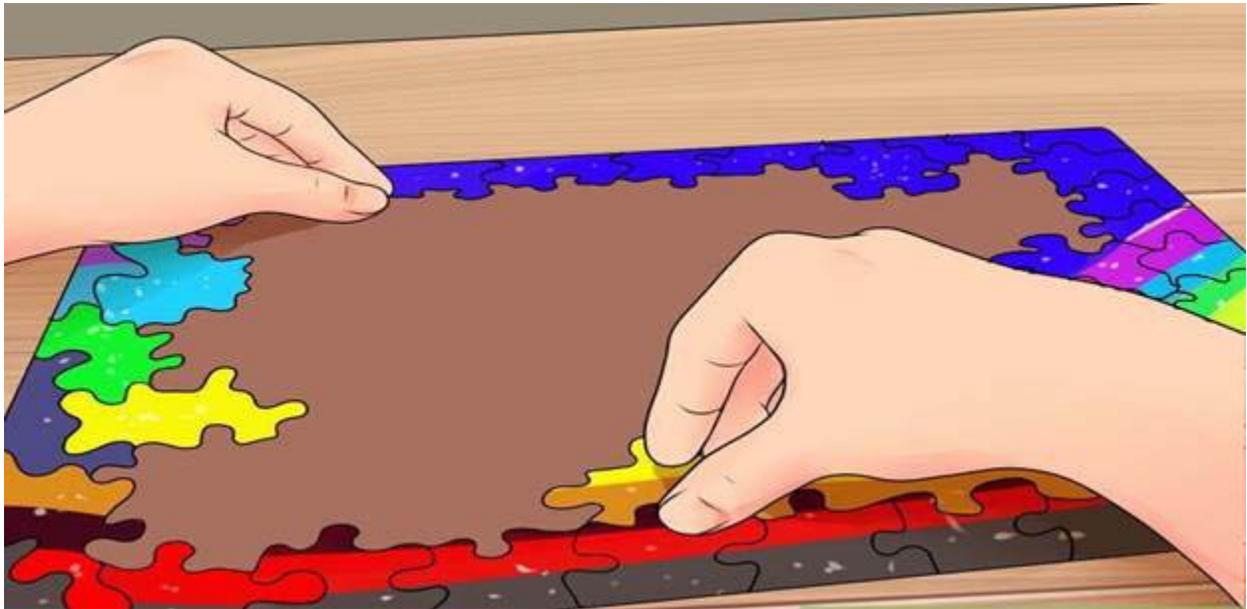
St. Andrews Jigsaw Puzzle Night.

On Friday, August 19, 2016, St. Andrews Episcopal Church will host the St. Andrews Jigsaw Puzzle Night.

Where: Byrne Hall, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 1608 Baker Court, PC 32401

We are taking a 1-month break from Movie Night to host “Jigsaw Puzzle Night.” Jigsaw puzzles will be provided, participants will be divided into small groups. Enjoy food, drink, company, and puzzle solving together. Puzzle solving is good brain exercise and is relaxing.

Dinner: **We are asking everyone to bring a pot luck dish and/or a side dish.** Dr. Dan will supply red and white wine, beer, ginger ale and chilled bottled water.



Other: No admittance fee, but ***donations are accepted and encouraged.*** One-hundred percent (100%) of all donations will go to **St. Andrew’s Backpack Program to benefit Oakland Terrace Elementary School**

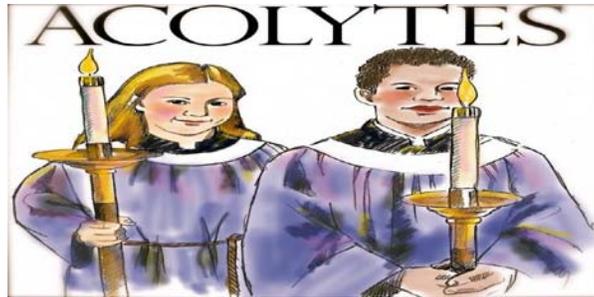
Questions: Contact Dr. Dan Finley at dfinley@gulfcoast.edu



Coming up in September:

September 15th

*A Service of Taizé 'in
Commemoration of the 15th
Anniversary of 9/11, accompanied by
string quartet. 4:00 p.m. Mark your
calendars and invite your friends.*



Acolyte Festival

The Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast is having a Youth Acolyte Festival on Saturday, August 20, at **Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile, AL**. This is a great opportunity for our youth acolytes to come together and worship, learn, enjoy fellowship, and have some fun. Bishop Russell Kendrick will be on hand.

Workshop topics include: how to process, an instructed Eucharist, and how to use a thurible. Lunch will be provided. There will be a closing Eucharist service, which is open to the public to attend, where Bishop Kendrick will commission the acolytes. If travel is a concern, Camp Beckwith will be available Friday night. The cost for the event is \$12. To register, please go to the Diocese's home page, <http://www.diocgc.org/> Ted and Chandler Broome have already signed up!

(Names are left on the prayer list for 3 weeks, unless specified for a longer time)

Please keep the following in your prayers: Bob, Virginia, Mike, Warren, Ed, Nell, Sandra, Vincent, Margaret & Bill, Dr. Benton, Peggy, Norma, Daniel, Pat C., Kathy, Melinda, Logan, Brooke, Nancy, Gene, Jessie, Jessica, Mary, Cynthia, Russell, Teresa, Lori, Doris, Michael, Margaret, Judy, Hannah, Robbie, Betty, Mary Lou, Dawn, Doris, Malia, Donna, Lori, Elizabeth, Dawn, Glenda, Mark, Patricia, Richard, Jeremy, Mark, Alex

*We pray for our men and women in the Armed Forces at home and abroad:
David, Jason, Billy, Colin, Todd, Jordan, Jeremiah, Richard, Ivan, James*