

Blessings to you all on this 2nd Sunday after Epiphany! As we go into preparation for the first snow day in eight years, our activities pick up as well. Read on for more!

Annual Parish Meeting



food, fellowship, and conversation!

Our Annual Parish Meeting & Potluck Luncheon will take place on Sunday, January 19, 2025, immediately following the 10:30 AM service. Two members will be elected to be Vestry: Wendy and Emma have been nominated. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The 2025 vestry also includes Jason Dean (SR Warden), Chris Petersen (Jr Warden), Rose Schmidt (Clerk), Deborah Rutherford (Treasurer), Rachael Rutherford, and Craig Hopkins. We look forward to seeing you there, enjoying good

This Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, January 19th - 9:30am - Choir Practice/Enquirers Class

10:30am - Holy Eucharist

11:30am - Coffee Hour/Parish Meeting

Diocesan Council

The congregations of the Mississippi Gulf Coast are excited to welcome you for the 198th Annual Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi! We invite you to join us Friday, January 31st through Sunday, February 2nd 2025 as we spend a weekend "Telling Our Story".

You can register to attend <u>here</u>, and to be a volunteer <u>here</u>.





MLK Day Parade

In conjunction with the Carver Center, the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade will be held on January 20th. There will be opportunities to either walk in the parade or ride in the van. We will meet at 8:30 am in the Manna Ministry parking lot.

Fellowship Lunch

This month's Fellowship Luncheon will occur on January 24th. We will meet at 11:30 am at the Champion Sports Bistro, 113 W. Canal. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Craig by noon on Thursday, January 23rd.





2025 Kalendar

The 2025 Episcopal Liturgical Kalendars are now available for \$5.25 at the back of the church.

New St. Paul's Merch!

St Paul's will now be selling t-shirts, hats, and bumper stickers! Hats and t-shirts are \$15, and bumper stickers are \$2.50. Items are on the table in the back of the parish hall. Contact Melissa for more information!





Gluten Free Wafers

Gluten free hosts are available for those who prefer this option. Please tell Fr. Nick or an usher if you require a gluten free wafer.





Enquirers Class

Enquirers classes are back! These classes are a great way to learn more about the church, and are the first step to confirmation.

Winter Talk 2025

The Episcopal Church Office of Indigenous Ministries invites all interested to participate virtually in Winter Talk, an annual conference that honors and highlights Indigenous and Native American traditions and contributions within the church. The year's virtual conference is live streamed on January 18th to January 20th. For more information, visit the website!







More News!

To sign up for more news about the diocese, scan the QR code! This will bring you to a page to sign up for both the new TME-news and the Mississippi Episcopalian.

Rainbow Cafe

We had a fantastic time at the most recent Rainbow Café! With a higher turnout than usual, our Uno games got reallly y competitive, with plenty of laughs, a few strategic moves, and some playful accusations of "shady" gameplay. The energy in the room was absolutely electric, and let's just say, no one was taking it easy on the draw-four cards! As always, the sense of community was top-notch, and we can't wait for the next get-together. It's safe to say Rainbow Café has become a wonderful spot for good vibes, great coffee, and a little

We'd love to see you at our next Rainbow Cafe! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 1st**, from **6 to 8 p.m.**. We look forward to seeing you there and continuing to build this wonderful community together!

healthy competition!





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St. Paul's Pastoral Care Team provides emotional support to individuals and families. The ministry may include hospital visitation, counseling, and ministries of shared presence, listening, and support. To request a pastoral care visit or to learn more, contact Jason at 601-798-2802.

Important Links: Episcopal News Service: www.episcopalnewsservice.org

Church Publishing: www.churchpublishing.org

Diocese of Mississippi: www.dioms.org



Scouts BSA Troop 5/Venture Crew 5



Troop 5 would like to extend a huge thank you to those who have donated to the blessing box in the past week, as the box is full to the brim! Currently, the box is in need of canned vegetables, toothbrushes, vienna sausages/spam, and pasta sauce. For more ideas, visit our Amazon Wishlist to donate!

Please drop donations directly into the box, contact a troop member for donation pickup, or swing by the church on Mondays 6:30pm to 8:00pm or Sundays 9am to noon for donation

drop-off.

Thanks to your abundant and generous donations, our ministry has expanded to include meal kits! These are bags with everything you need to feed a family of 4 for a meal, and are typically put out on Tuesdays.









Picayune Carver Culture Center Welcomes Mrs. Deserie J. Richard & the MILC League of South MS!

Picayune Mississippi MILC League has partnered with

PCCC to offer free peer support groups for new and expectant mothers in an in-person and safe environment. Picayune Mississippi MILC League (Making an Impact in the Lactation Community) is serving the entire Pearl River County communities.

Contact Deserie J. Richard, CLC for more info at: (601) 798-5250



Picayune Carver Culture Center welcomes Mr. Leonard (Snowball) Bender and the Senior Exercise Group to PCCC!

Mr. Bender has partnered with PCCC to bring a healthier lifestyle to the aging adults of Pearl River County communities. Mr. Bender is offering FREE chair exercise classes on Tuesday's from 10 am-11 am.



If you are an aging adult or you may know an aging adult who would like to GET MOVING into a better way of life.

Contact Mr. Leonard (Snowball) Bender for more information.



PCCC's Y.E.P free after-school tutoring program is officially here! To enroll your child in lessons, call 601-590-8983, or stop by the Ed. Building Mon-Thurs.

