



THE GOOD NEWS

September 2017

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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Monday: 8 a.m. – Episcopal Day School-Chapel

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. in the Church.

September-May

Thursday: 2 p.m. – Episcopal Day School-Church

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

Wednesday: 12:05 p.m. With unction in the Chapel

BISHOP OF WESTERN LOUISIANA

The Right Rev. Jacob W. Owensby, Ph.D.

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ASSISTANT PRIEST-*The Rev. Jim Lueckenhoff*

RETIRED PRIEST-*The Rev. Petroula Ruehlen*

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School

The Rev. Frances "Boo" Kay

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MINISTER OF MUSIC

ORGANIST/CHOIR MASTER- *Dr. Patrick Parker*

MUSIC MINISTRY-*Pam LeBlanc*

Good Shepherd's
Blessing of the Pets
October 7, 10 a.m.

Tis the Season to be Jolly!

I hope you've all had a wonderful summer and school break. There are a lot of things getting started at Good Shepherd coming this Fall. I have written to you about our CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATIONS on Sunday morning at the breakfast hour and published a schedule for them. A *REVISED SCHEDULE* has been made and you will find it in this newsletter. Basically, I went from two meetings a month during our breakfast hour, to one meeting. Except for the first (and most important) meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 10th, the rest of our conversations will be on the "First Sunday" of each month. Our first meeting will be about things financial at Good Shepherd and I hope you all make an effort to attend.

Another addition to our Sunday morning events will be the rotating highlight and ministry focus on one of our many opportunities to serve and grow at Good Shepherd. Missy Shaddock will be coordinating our efforts so be looking for a ministry table in Hardtner Hall each week to learn or reconnect with a particular ministry. Also, available on the piano is a listing of all of our various ministries.

Finally, and this is the reason for my title- "Tis the Season...", let me tell you about our ORGAN RESTORATION project. Organ restorations are typically done every 10-20 years. It's just what needs to happen in order to keep most organs up to speed. Aside from tuning and minor repairs, our instrument has not had a restoration in 60 years. The goal of this restoration is to "stabilize" the instrument. The project will have two phases. The first phase will be occurring this Fall. We will be taking care of a number of "dead notes," replacing the general piston and replacing the current Shade Engines. The Shade Engines are the lou-

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vers that allow the sound to be dampened or expanded in volume. In the New Year we will rebuild the first 24 notes on the 32' reed chests and we will be sending a number of pipes off to be cleaned and regulated. We have enough money now to handle phase one but we could use some help for phase two.

So, as we move into the Holiday Season and year's end, and you can't find the right gift for that person who has everything; let me suggest that you make a donation to our Organ Restoration in lieu of a Christmas, birthday or anniversary gift. Additionally, you can also make a memorial contribution and Year-end charitable contribution.

This will be an exciting and important year in the life of Good Shepherd. Please get involved and help make it memorable. I hope the close of 2017 and the upcoming holiday season fills you with joy, health and a satisfied soul!

Fr. Jack+

Revised Schedule – First Sundays

September 10 – Financial Facts: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly (Unexpected)/ Preview To this Year Pledge Campaign – *New and improved!*

October 1 -Ministry Focus - Faith without works is dead-Missy Shaddock

November 5 – Good Shepherd – Good Sheep! *Let's discover what we do well and what we value.*

December 3 - Ministry Focus -Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts

January 7 - Final Things - Power of Attorney and Wills

February 4 -Final Things - Planned Giving

March 4 - Final Things - Funerals Plans

(To be determined)- April 29, May 27, June 10, July 1, August 5

milestones

Births: We give thanks for the birth of **William Hopkins Haxthausen Jr.**, son of Jacqueline and William Haxthausen, grandson of Penny & Louis Haxthausen.

Deaths: **Audrey Burrough**, mother of Pat (Marlin) Johnson. *May she rest in peace and rise in Glory and may light perpetual shine upon her.*

Big Lake/Chapel of the Holy Spirit

Services at the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Big Lake began on Easter Sunday and will run throughout the summer until the Sunday before Labor Day, September 3rd. Service time is 11:00 a.m. Dress is casual, summer attire.

Deadline for the October Newsletter is September 15, 5 p.m. Submit your articles to church@goodshepherd-lc.com Go to www.goodshepherd-lc.com to view the newsletter on-line as soon as it is ready to go to print.

MEN'S BREAKFAST AT VICKI B'S, SEPTEMBER 6 AT 7:30 A.M.

MSG– Men's Spirituality Group– September 12, 6 p.m.

We will be reading our next book,

Wildman, Warriors, and Kings: Masculine Spirituality and the Bible by Patrick M. Arnold.

- This book will actually get us into the scriptures as we look at the examples of some biblical greats such as Abraham, Moses, Solomon, Elijah and others (The Lord Jesus too, of course).
- If you are going to participate, get the book BY ORDERING IT ON AMAZON and start reading it through the summer.
- **We will discuss it in total at the end of the summer when we gather.**

I will be promoting this book with a sign up. I'd prefer it if you would purchase your own from Amazon but I can order one for you if you'd prefer. *Fr. Jack+*

Holy Cross Day

In the Christian liturgical calendar, there are several feasts of the cross. All commemorate the cross used in the Crucifixion of Jesus. Good Friday is dedicated to the Passion of Christ and the Crucifixion. The cross itself is the instrument of salvation.

Per some Christian traditions, *the True Cross*, was discovered in 326 by Empress Helena, the mother of the Roman Emperor *Constantine the Great* during a pilgrimage she made to Jerusalem. The Church of the Holy Sepulcher was then built on the site by orders of Helena and Constantine. The church was dedicated nine years later with a portion of the cross. One-third remained in Jerusalem, one-third was brought to Rome and one-third was taken to Constantinople.

Red is the liturgical color of Holy Cross Day. It is celebrated on September 14. The Lectionaries of the Church of England as well as some Anglican churches stipulate red vestments of the day. It is the feast day of the Episcopal Church's Order of the Holy Cross.

Submitted by Ruth Gayle

Safeguarding Training: Safeguarding Online™

The Diocese of Western Louisiana takes matters of safety seriously, especially keeping our children, youth, and adults safe from all forms of sexual misconduct while they are at church or participating in church activities. Abuse prevention training is mandatory for those working with children and youth. In many circumstances, adults are also required to receive instruction in the prevention of adult sexual exploitation and harassment.

All training is provided through Safeguarding Online™, which you can access anytime, from anywhere that you have a high-speed Internet connection. Employees and volunteers who were originally certified through classroom instruction must re-certify through Safeguarding Online™.

New employees and volunteers who are not certified will need to take the online version of the courses within the timeframe provided by your supervisor. To maintain certification, everyone will be required to take a short refresher course and review diocesan policies every three years. To get started, go to the Diocese of Western Louisiana website, diocesewla.org. Click on Safe Church. You will be directed to the site to sign up and begin taking the class.

Youth Events

DIOCESAN: JEYL (6TH-8TH grade): November 17-19

Happening #56 (9th- 12th grade): January 12-14, 2018

CLEY (9TH-12TH): March 9-11, 2018

Convocational Events

August 13 – Youth Kick Off at Saint Michaels, 6 p.m.

September 24 – Operation Christmas Child at St Michaels.

January 6 – Church Service at Holy Trinity

March 24 – Palm Cross Folding at Saint Andrew's

April 21 - Big Lake Chapel Service and Picnic. Hosted by Good Shepherd

September Birthday & Prayer Calendar

- 1 John Mills
 2 Miranda Hurley
 3 Christopher Solari
 5 Pam Spears, Laura Gaar
 6 Dawn Phillips, Sarah King
 7 Henry Riquelmy, Kathy Hanudel
 9 Corinne Grubb
 10 John Raggio, Phil Earhart, Clayton Hebert, King Stream
 11 William Fastabend
 13 Laura Leach
 15 Mildred Abraham, Charles Dagleish, Callen Hale
 16 Kevin Collins
 18 Bryan Storozyszyn, Peter Stevens, Ryon Stublefield, Isabelle Martel
 19 Jeff Cole, Kelly Spence
 20 Flora Girard
 21 Benjamin Solari
 22 Linda Dagleish, Virginia Webb
 23 Jackie Carleton, Laura Carleton
 24 Ellie Lemoine, George Paret
 26 Annette Sole
 28 Ellie Marquez, Jerry Roberts, Darren Martel
 29 Brenda Hebert
 30 Randy Langlois



Adult Education



"The Upper Room ..."

Join us Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Jesus: The New Way

N.T. Wright, Bishop of Durham, widely regarded as one of today's leading New Testament scholars, is the facilitator for this program.

September 3 Longing for a King: In a Jewish world wired for the welcome and recognition of a Messiah, how did Jesus redefine what that should mean? What were the implications for the main symbols of Israel's life such as the Holy Temple?

September 10 Hardtner Hall with Fr Jack Myers

September 17 Why did Jesus Die?: What were the charges? What was the real and great battle being fought? How was history racing toward its climactic moment, and how did Jesus understand and undertake his role therein?

September 24 Who was Jesus?: How do we begin to understand the meaning of Jesus by reexamining what we really mean by God? How did Jesus understand himself? How did the early church view Jesus? Was Jesus divine?

October 1 Hardtner Hall with Fr. Jack Myers

October 8 The New Claim: Was Jesus really raised from the dead? What about all the skeptics' explanations as to why that is impossible? What did resurrection mean to first century Jews? How does the resurrection of Jesus address our individual lives?

If your birthday is not listed, call the church office so we can enter it in our database. 433-5244

In the parlor Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. A study of Anglican basics is based on the book *Whole Christianity*. This is a great way to remember why we do what we do!"

September 2017 Calendar

Saturday, September 2

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, September 3

- † Services at 8, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Last Big Lake service of the year, 11 a.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 4— Labor Day

- Church office closed.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, September 6

- Men's Breakfast at Vicki B's, 7:30 a.m.
- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 7

- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA meeting in the Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Friday, September 8

- Rosewood Nursing Home ministry, 10 a.m.

Saturday, September 9

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, September 10— breakfast by Quackers, 9:30 a.m.

- † Services at 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Congregation Conversations, 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Daughters of the King, 4:30 p.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.
- † Evensong, 6 p.m.

Monday, September 11

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Men's AA group in Outreach House, 6 p.m.
- St. Cecilia's Guild Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, September 12

- Men's Spirituality Group (MSG) 6 p.m. in the Outreach House.

Wednesday, September 13

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA meeting in the Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Friday, September 15

- Women's Ministries, Camp Hardtner through Sunday

Saturday, September 16

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, September 17— breakfast by Broken Yokes

- † Services 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 18

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30—1 p.m.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, September 19

- COR meeting, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, September 20

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- Hospitality Meeting, 1:30 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.

- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 21

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, Togo's on Nelson Road at 11:30 a.m.
- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Friday, September 22

- Rosewood Nursing Home ministry, 10 a.m.

Saturday, September 23

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, September 24-breakfast by True Grits

- † Services at 8 & 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed, 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 25

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Building & Grounds, 11 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.– 1 p.m.
- Finance meeting, 12 noon
- Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist & Healing Service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 28

- Chateau du Lac Birthday Party, 2 p.m.
- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

Friday, September 29

- Joy in the Journey, Camp Hardtner through Sunday

Hospitality

The Hospitality Team meets on **Wednesday, September 20 at 1:30 p.m.** Come join us to give your input on welcoming folks to our church.

Thank you, Susan Ardoin

GOOD SHEPHERD- YOUTH STUDY WITH FATHER JACK

Grades 6-12

Every 3RD & 4TH SUNDAY MORNINGS

In the Upstairs Conference room

Remember in your prayers, our Tend My Lambs mission and the new school year for our children in Begin, Haiti. Que le Dieu vous benisse! (God's blessings!) Thanks, Glenda

Contributions by Credit Card

Based on our Annual Budget it takes almost \$2000.00 /day to run Good Shepherd. We don't talk about it that much but the Offertory -when we bring forward our offerings of bread, wine and money- is a big deal, spiritually and materially! What if you forgot your check book or only have a few dollars in your purse or wallet? Not to worry - Good Shepherd now takes plastic! You can make your donation in Hardtner Hall after each service. If you'd like to be trained to help handle donations speak with Ann Lindsay today.



Ladies of the church enjoyed eating at The Kitchen in July. Join us in September at To-go's on Nelson Rd. on Thursday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m. All women welcome!

Dinners for 8 with the Myers.

Cammie & David Olney, Barb and Randy King, Pat and Marlon Johnson and Charles and Linda Dalglish with Patrick Parker enjoyed the cool breezes of Big Lake for their August Dinner.





Martha Whelan showcased the Labyrinth on July 26th at the Annual Assembly of the Daughters of the King.

Men of the Church and their friends (and children) are really enjoying getting together at Vicki B's the first Wednesday of each month.



ROSEWOOD

2017

Eucharist		Lay Lead	
Sept. 8 th		22 nd	(Anita)
Oct. 6 th		20 th	(Ellie L.)
Nov. 3 rd		17 th	(Ellie M.)
Dec. 5 th	9:30 am at Anne Phillips house to prepare gifts for the party.	15 th	Christmas Party

2018

Jan.	5 th	19 th	(Anita)
Feb.	2 nd	16 th	(Ellie L.)
Mar.	2 nd	16 th	(Ellie M.)
Apr.	6 th	20 th	(Anita)
May	4 th	18 th	(Ellie L.)

SAVE THESE DATES!
2017-2018 Diocesan Youth Events



JEYL (6th-8th grade): Nov. 17-19, 2017
Happening #56 (9th-12th grade): January 12-14, 2018
CLEY (9th-12th grade): March 9-11, 2018

St. Cecilia's Guild

A ladies night out.

Planning meeting, September 11 at 7 p.m.

Pray fast! Learn quickly! Have fun!

Movie night? Game night? Do something to help others? Learn about a saint? Hear a speaker? Do an arts and crafts project? Eat? Just sit and talk?

All ladies of the church are welcome to join the group. Please come and help us plan a fun year.



The Joy of Living: Action is the Key Word

A three-day retreat presented by John McAndrew, MA, MDiv

September 29-October 1, 2017



Our presenter

John McAndrew, MA, MDiv

John McAndrew is a theologian, teacher, counselor, musician, hospice chaplain and poet. With a background in literature, theology, music, and counseling, he has worked in treatment settings, classrooms, corporate consultancy, parish communities, detention facilities, and hospice care.

During his tenure as Director of Spiritual Care at the *Betty Ford Center* in Rancho Mirage, CA, he began to incorporate these varied experiences into ideas which took shape in *SensibleSpirituality.org*, offering spiritual counseling and tools for recovery.

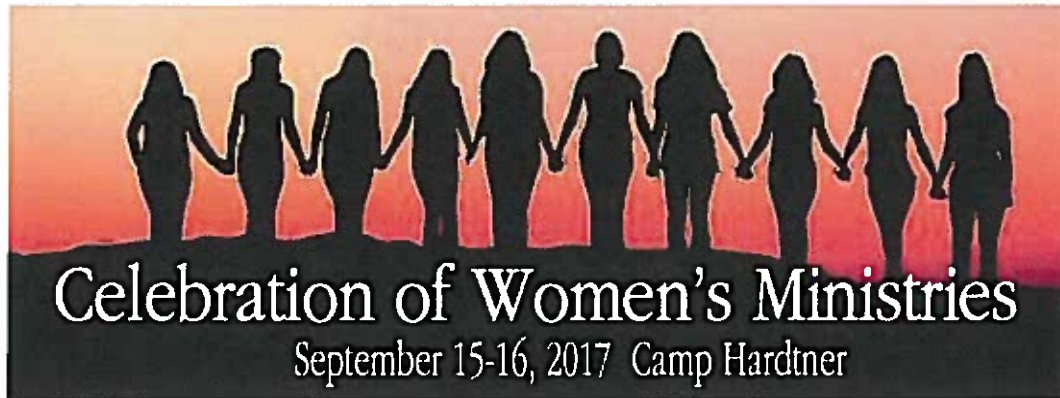
John currently provides Spiritual Care for *Wishare Hospice* in San Luis Obispo, CA, continues to offer Retreats for people interested in recovery, and facilitates the *Spiritual Development Process* for those seeking deeper spiritual engagement.

Faith and Friends Food Pantry Militia

The ministry at Faith and Friends Food Pantry is in need of a few more volunteers. If you can assist please call Ed Khoury (304-5139) and let him know that you will help. Actually, along with some regular help, what Ed would also love is a list of folks *who can assist from time to time*. Maybe you can't be present every Thursday, but *on any Thursday you may be available!* If you are willing to be called from time to time please put your name on our **Food Pantry Militia Sign up sheet in Hardtner Hall**

Upcoming Events

- September 3—LAST Big Lake service for the year.
- September 4— Labor Day— Church office closed
- September 6— Men's Breakfast at Vicki B's, 7:30 a.m.
- September 10— Congregation Conversation, 9:30 a.m.
- September 10— Children's Sunday School begins again, 10:30 a.m.
- September 10— Evensong at 6 p.m.
- September 11— St. Cecilia's Guild Meeting, 7 p.m.
- September 12— MSG— Men's Spirituality Meeting, 6 p.m.
- September 15-16— Celebrating Women's Ministries at Camp Hardtner
- September 19— COR meeting, 10 a.m.
- September 21— Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m.— Togo's on Nelson Road
- September 28—Chateau du Lac Birthday Party, 2 p.m.
- September 29-October 1— Joy in the Journey, Camp Hardtner



The ministries of the **Diocesan Daughters of the King**, the **Diocesan Episcopal Church Women**, and the **Altar Guild women**, along with our guest speaker, Madre Annie Etheredge, who is rector of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Opelousas, will be showcased. **Spiritual Direction** will be available during the weekend offered by Maureen Locke of St. Matthias in Shreveport.

The weekend begins **Friday evening, September 15, with registration from 4 to 6 p.m.** immediately followed by a "Meet and Greet," Social and Dinner. Madre Annie Etheredge will also make her first presentation during this kick-off event.

Saturday breakfast is followed by a meeting of the Episcopal Church Women. After a short break, the Daughters of the King will gather to meet. The last organization to meet will be the Altar Guild. This gathering is the ideal way for you to see what is going on in other congregations.

All women are encouraged to attend any of the meetings of their choice. You need not be a member to attend. **Early registration is a must.**

Early registration is suggested and registrants will receive a detailed schedule of the Celebration weekend. We hope to see each of you at our annual celebration weekend! We are going to have a glorious time!!

A bargain for those interested in Women's ministries. The cost for the weekend is \$65 (covers a night of lodging, three meals, snacks and the speaker). If you prefer to drive down for Saturday only, the cost is \$15 (covers the session and two meals). Private lodging is \$85 (covers a night of lodging, three meals, snacks and the speaker), space permitting.

For more information, please contact Ms. Shetwan Roberison (318-707-2570 or women-secw1@gmail.com) or Mrs. Megan Rowzie (337-570-9220 pianoqrl8@aol.com).

Applications are available in Hardtner Hall.

Attendance Goal – 200!

Whatever you think of when I say Congregational Vitality – **spirit filled worship, a loving and connected community, multifaceted ministry, an expanding group of disciples**; it all begins with **Sunday morning attendance!** I want us to work together to accomplish **a goal of 200** for Sunday attendance. Look around and see who isn't here. **Call and encourage them! Invite people to church.** Let's get our numbers up and see what it feels like to have a full sanctuary!

January Average = 108	February Average = 151	March Average = 139
April Average= 178	May Average= 159	June Average = 123
July Average = 119	August Average= 155	

Pray One For Another -James 5:16

If you have placed someone on the prayer list and they no longer need prayer...please call Margie in the church office (433-5244) so she can remove them.

Prayers are asked for: Josephine Thweatt, Laura Fletcher Lindsay, Mike S, Catherine Billot, Dean Collette, Trey Rowzie, Suzette Miller, **Bel Painter**, Laura Meche, Sheila & Michael Chisholm, Rosemary, Stephanie Lemoine, Holly Boudreaux, **Chuck Lemoine**, Ron Futrell, Debbie Belair, Lessie Litzenberg, Ty Griffen, Emma Mills, Sharon George, Ike Stanfield, Conner Gezell, Chris Clinkscales, Christy King, Paul Medus, Paul George, Jack, Steven Evans, Chrystal Butler, Allen Medus, Elonide Medus, Bob Vacha, Megan Rowzie, Bella Hahn, Pam Seal, Cole Cormier, Adeline Jackson, Hannah Linowski, Margaret Owens, Cammie Shaddock, Fletcher Pierson, Dr. Charles Smith, Quinton Savoie, Harvey Brown, Larry & Mary Ann Buc, Martha Schnauder, Lena Myers, Ronald Helmer, Lois Bradley, Karen Crawford, **Kay Noble**, Mary Margaret Leaman, Christopher Graham, Sandra Richard, Joy Smith, Ethel Coulter, Bobby.

Safe Pregnancy: Amy Miller Hughes, Katherine Dampf, Katherine Haxthausen Ponder.

Our continuing prayers are offered for: **Nancy Wyman, Nancy Draughn, Mildred Abraham, Caroline Hollins, Richard & Shirlene Clark, Buddy Leach**, Luke Burnham, Sara Wood, John Landry, Jenilyn Gibson, Susan & Knel, Mike & Marilyn Kudla, Patricia Luff Wood, Carolyn Earhart Whittington, Marjorie Dempsey, Jackie Finch, Deneen Draves, Caroline Hammett, Emily Judice, Everett, Patricia Reeves, Cliff DeRousselle, Jaxon Sellers, Kayla DeRoache, Emily Carleton, Bobbie Holder, Jason Trahan, Bobby Thomas, Rocky Cormier, Charmaine Hufstedler, Riley Soder, Ollie Cavin and Katie Hoffman, **Mavis Raggio**, David Crowe, **Ginger Tatum**, **Sylvia Seals**, Ruth & Bob Kickel, Danny O'Flaherty.

We pray for those serving in our armed forces: Major Christopher Ryan, US ARMY, brother of Heather Kelley; Petty Officer 3rd Class Cole Remy, NAVY, son of Kristi Smith; SPC Craig May US ARMY; Danasia London, NAVY; Chief Petty Officer Justin Phillips, NAVY, nephew of Margie Collins; SSGT John Dalglish, US ARMY, SGT Ariana Dalglish, US ARMY- son and daughter-in-law of Linda & Charles Dalglish, Chief Petty Officer NAVY Brian Ponder, son-in-law of Penny & Louis Haxthausen.

CHATEAU DU LAC

Hello, folks. It's been quite awhile since we last visited. But, believe me, you are still keeping that Chateau box full of donations and reminding me that there hasn't been a birthday party in awhile so...

But first, I want to ask for your prayers for our Minnie and James. Both have serious health issues which limit their activities. There would have been no Chateau Ministry at Good Shepherd without these two amazing people. They have been inspiration, wisdom, helping hands, good friends; God's answer to our needs. God Bless you, Minnie and James!

Our very first Chateau Party was in September, 2011. Imagine that! We have hosted 14 birthdays; each one seems easier and better than the one before, thanks to our faithful party guys and gals. The next one will be on **Thursday, September 28, at 2 p.m. in the Rec. Room.** It has been such a blessing to have McNeese students join us. **Terrific news...The McNeese Girls Basketball Team will co-host with us again.** We will celebrate 20 birthdays.

How can you help? **BE THERE.** Donate items for door prizes. Prepare the invitation which is posted on all 200 apartment doors. Bring fruit, salty or sweet treats (please let me know in advance.) Make a cash donation for all Chateau sponsored events through our church account. **BE THERE!** Let's wear **blue shirts** to support our McNeese students this time.

Just think how wonderful it would be if each month's party was sponsored by a church. I suggest that you consider inviting a friend from another church to come with you on the 28th. Let them see what we do. I would be so happy to meet with them and help them get started. In fact, my niece has inquired and will be with us in September. Plant a seed...Thanks for your prayers, participation and generosity!

Peace and Joy, Missy Shaddock, 439-9737.

TLC needs help

September 3, October 29, November 5, November 26, December 3 and December 10. A sign-up sheet is posted on the refrigerator in the small kitchen. Thanks, Sandra Leder

Divine Intervention

We want to thank **Henry Riquelmy** for coming to the aid of Tom Jeffery when he fell on his morning walk on July 28. He hit his head hard on the road. He was unconscious and bleeding. Henry called 911 and this saved his life. Thanks be to God!

Tom and Nelda Jeffery,
Suzanne Jeffery Cook



Men's Breakfast

Men's Fellowship Breakfast on the first Wednesday of the month. Our new location is **Vicki B's Cafe, 1201 Lakeshore Dr.** (on the corner of Lakeshore and Clarence). The folks there, **Vickie and James Stahl**, are pleased to accommodate us. They have a number of other Christian groups meeting there and hope that the spot can eventually overflow with Believers. We will meet on **Wednesday, September 6 at 7:30 a.m.** We will do an 'a la carte breakfast. **PLEASE** pass the word so we can have a good new beginning with all of us in attendance!

Our breakfast ran best when Earl Richard (and later Guy Richards and Bryan Storozyszyn) took it upon themselves to call everyone for a reminder. **If one of you would like to take on the role of Coordinator/Communicator** we would have the best shot of success. Please speak with me if you are willing to lead. As always, our meeting is open so feel free to invite others or bring someone along.

Fr. Jack+

O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need your fellowship and ours, and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. God, make the door of this house the gateway to your eternal kingdom. Amen.

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All God's Creatures



**Saturday, October 7th
10 a.m.**

**Wayne Remy Youth
Outreach House**

Blessing of the Pets

(Dogs on leashes, cats in carriers,
birds in cages...)