

PRESS RELEASE submitted by Bonnie St. Paul



The 87th annual Valentine Silver Tea hosted by St. Monica's Guild of Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian will be held on Friday, February 10th from 3 to 5 PM. Delicious homemade savories and sweets, plus wine, tea and coffee will be served. There is no charge to attend this event, however, donations are requested and appreciated as all monies collected are given to charity. The proceeds will support such outreach ministries as: The Boys and Girls Club of Pass Christian, the Food Pantry, Missionary work in Chile, Mercy Flights Southeast providing free flights to patients and families for medical treatment throughout the USA, and Wilmer Hall Children's home in Mobile, AL.

The name of our Guild was changed from the Ladies Aid Society and Women's auxiliary in past decades to St. Monica's Guild, in honor of the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo. We are ecumenical in membership and welcome new ladies to our meetings, special events and to this year's exquisite Silver Tea.

This year the host home for the event is located at 715 East Scenic Drive in Pass Christian, MS. This elegant home was originally built during the building boom of the 1840's. It is the only surviving antebellum brick home in the Pass. In the early 20th century the home underwent renovation and the fabulous octagonal porch was added. Elegantly located overlooking beautiful Mississippi Sound the home is a "must see" for tourists and all Coast residents. Of particular notice, is a charming rear guest facility that overlooks a lovely swimming pool and patio. Entertainment is provided by the charming Coast Episcopal School Bell Choir, directed by Mrs. Peggy East between 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Entrance and parking for the Tea is on East Scenic Drive, with Security on duty. Shuttle carts will also be available to transport visitors to the Tea. Please do not wear spike heels, with an effort to protect the beautiful hardwood floors.

Trinity Episcopal Church was formed in 1849 and was completely devastated by Hurricane Camille in 1969 and Katrina in 2005. We welcome everyone to attend our church at 125 Church Avenue in the Pass. For more information call Ainslie Tatum, Tea chair at 228-452-3453.