

TriState Tres Dias Newsletter

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Christ is counting on you.

BFF (Best friend forever)

I am a high school English teacher, trying to teach Standard English in a world influenced by text messages of improper abbreviations, misspellings, and grammatical errors! One I see quite frequently is “bff” – “best friend forever.”

As annoying as those errors may be, I like to see the “bff” because it is so special to actually have a “best friend forever!” It is rewarding to see young people enjoy the many blessings of having a circle of friends. This blossoming of friendship, of learning how to care for another person outside of family, is a wonderful thing.

I had lots of friends in high school and in college and made even more friends as my children grew. But over time, I hadn’t made any new “bff’s” – I guess that I became so involved with my own family and was happy with the friends I had, that I didn’t feel the necessity to seek out new ones. Then I made my Tres Dias weekend.

At the closing of the weekend, I heard Joyse Rivers’ grouping talk about her “girl” group and all the special times they shared and the support they gave one another. Although I was already in a group with good friends at my church, Joyse’s description of her group made me long for my own “girl group,” a circle of “bff’s” like I had in high school. So I called a friend I knew from Tres Dias, Karin Diekmann, and asked her if I could join her group. I hadn’t been asked to be in a group so I think the Lord led me to call Karin myself! (Maybe you have to do the same - Don’t be afraid to do so!)

Karin asked her other groupies, and they agreed to let me join them. Now I am a proud member of the Pie Ladies (named after our meeting place, The Pie Pan, not our baking skills.) We have lost and added members over the years, but we remain eight strong “bff’s” and have become pretty darn professional wedding and baby shower givers as well! These ladies, Karin, Becky Isley, Karla Carlile, Carolyn Anoskey, Pat Ingram, Anne Wright, and Judy Turpin have taught me so much about making a friend, being a friend, and bringing a friend to Christ through this, our accountability group to Him. Who knew that I would make eight more friends when I was 50+ years old!

And the Lord had even more friends waiting for me! A few years later I was a table leader on a weekend, and the ladies at my table, Candace Rudolph, Debbie Kleinschmidt, Amy VanZandt and I clicked like we’d known each other all our lives! These wonderful women, the St. Monica Babes as I call them, have become yet another group of women who love me, support me, and most importantly, keep me focused in my faith.

I share my friendship journey with you because I, like all of us in the Tres Dias movement, know how important grouping is. Do whatever you need to do to find a group – call and ask someone if you can join them. And if you are in a group, reach out and ask someone to share in your special friendship, a friendship with Jesus at the center.

Your true “BFF”, Jesus, doesn’t want you to be alone.



Community News

Lots of things to be thankful for this season! Most importantly, the new pescadores of men and women's TD #60! Be sure and attend the women's weekend, coming up Nov. 15-18!

Weekend schedule

- Candidates arrive at 6 p.m. Thursday. Sponsor service at 6:30.
- 4th Day communion service at 8:15 p.m. Saturday in Celebration Hall.
- Candlelight service follows at 9:30 p.m. in Sarto Chapel.
- Closing at 3 p.m. Sunday in Celebration Hall. Candidates arrive 3:15.

Secuela in December!

This is one of the most anticipated events of the Tres Dias year! Come to Oliver Presbyterian at 7 p.m. on December 4 for the annual Christmas worship service. It is a very special evening of praise. Secretariat provides a bounty of holiday snacks, and there's even a gift waiting for you – the introduction of Women's TD 60! Put it on your calendar now!



Have you sponsored a candidate yet?

The spring weekends are just around the corner. Consider sponsoring a candidate! Go to our website, www.tri-statetresdias.org for general information and applications

Men's TD 61

March 6-8/9 2008

Rector Jeff Knight

Women's TD 61

April 10-13 2008

Rectora Lori Cook

Carol needs your help!

Our hard-working sister, Carol Moore, really needs you to prayerfully consider taking over as music coordinator. For the last five years, Carol has been the person who recruits and schedules our Secuela musicians. That is a long time for one person to shoulder this responsibility! Would this be something you could take over? If so, give Carol a call at 858-6968. (Please!)



Newsletter publication schedule

The newsletter comes out approximately two weeks before the upcoming weekends in October, November, March, and April, and mid month in January and July. Send in your ideas and comments – it's your newsletter and we'd like to hear from you! Do you have grouping stories for us to print? How about sharing a special experience of your weekend? Send ideas to debra.forrest@gmail.com.

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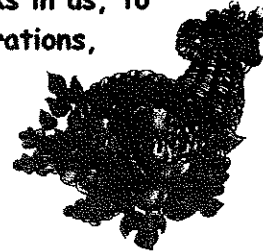
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"Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever." Ephesians 3:20-21



To our Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We cannot thank you enough for your prayers for us to this point! We can definitely feel the Holy Spirit at work among us, binding us together and preparing us to serve Him and the candidates He sends. We do, however, ask that you all continue to lift us up in prayer as our journey continues. Our prayer as a team is that all that we say and all that we do points the candidates to our Savior and His name is glorified!

Please prayerfully consider how you might serve the candidates during this weekend—perhaps you'll take a spot on the prayer vigil, (Lori Cook, 867-0467), or serve a meal, (Carol W. Moore, 985-0569) or offer meal palanca, (Kathy Murrell, 842-2471), or send palanca—whatever your act of sacrifice may be, we appreciate it more than we can express and the candidates will certainly be blessed.

We are eagerly looking forward to what God is going to do on this weekend. We're expecting exceedingly abundantly more than we ~~can~~ ask or think. Praise His Name!

Diane Anderson, Rectora

Team: Head Spiritual Director-Cliff Herring, Spiritual Director-Beth Ann Cook, Spiritual Director-Tim Linstrom, Rectora-Diane Anderson, Assistant Rectora-Lori Cook, Liturgy-Joyce Donaldson, Head Song Leader-Stacy Stevens, Assistant Song Leader-Terry Haynie, Head Stewardess-Phyllis Cooling, Stewardess-Melanie Atwood, Stewardess-Amy Nussmeier, Head Cook-Kathy Murrell, Cook-Julie Jackson, Cook-Darla Grossman, Cook-Karen Seltzer, Head Warden-Carol W. Moore, Warden-Debbie Kleinschmidt, Warden-Jennifer West, Palanca Chair-Janet Rudolph, Angel-Kay Arbeiter, Angel/Closing Talk-Ann Coy, Angel-Shelby Hoffman, Ideal-Sally Powers, Church-Marilyn Gregory, Piety-Barb Ferguson, Study-Susan Cravens, Action-Kathy Keith, Leaders-Connie Washington, Environments-Tammy Butler, CCIA-Janet Pollock

Candidates, from Evansville: Tina Alexander, Connie Allburn, Wanda Bittner, Kim Brooks, Theresa Burress, Joan Grimm, Beth Jackson, Tina Hammack, Debbie Hines, Cathy Huestis, Kimberly King, Marilyn Lankford, Elizabeth Long, Ruth Lundy, Debra Martin, Missy O'Daniel, Vicki Oshodi, Elizabeth Ruble, Linda Shevlin, Kellie Snyder, Valerie Specht, Susie Steffus, Angela Vanada, Barabra Vannarsda, Charlene Vieto, Vicki Young; from Wadesville: Donna Swallow; from Mt. Vernon, IN: Sara Batteiger; from Elberfield, IN: Earlena Burkhart.

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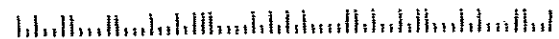
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