

## **IMPORTANT DETAILS for the ECW 2024 Annual Gathering**

**DELEGATES** The ECW By-laws allow for "four voting delegates from each branch which gives active financial support to the ECW diocesan budget." Visitors are welcome too.

**REGISTRATION** A separate registration sheet for each person is necessary. Please make as many copies as you need. Early registration is helpful and facilitates the registration process.

**EXHIBITS** See the Registration form in this mailing to reserve a space for an exhibit. ECW groups, church groups, church bookstores and other outside vendors are encouraged to bring their goods for sale on Friday and Saturday. Register early for a space.

**LOCATION** St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, 3412 Haring Rd., Metairie LA 70006  
The parking lot is on Green Acres Rd. Additional parking permitted along back row of McDonalds parking lot and curbside all around the campus.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS/MARRIOTT METAIRIE at LAKEWAY** The Episcopal Church Women of Louisiana have a block of rooms reserved for "*Episcopal Annual Gathering*" the nights of Friday, May 31st, 2024 and Saturday, June 1, 2024 at the Marriott Metairie at Lakeway located at 3838 N. Causeway Blvd., Metairie, LA 70002 , (504) 836-5253. The rates are as follows:

ROOM TYPE	FRI. 5/31/24	SAT. 6/1/24
Standard Room (Single King Bed or Two Double Beds)	\$159.00	\$159.00
Suite / Upgrade (Executive King Suite)	\$189.00	\$189.00
Hotel's room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 14.2%) in effect at the time of check-out.		

These special rates will only be available until **May 1, 2024**. Valet parking is available for \$18.00 per vehicle per day plus 9.2% tax. To book a room, call Marriott reservations at **866-882-4377**. The reservation is under "*Episcopal Annual Gathering*."

### **OTHER ITEMS NEEDED FOR ANNUAL GATHERING**

**MEMORIAL LIST** The Memorials form is in the back of the ECW Handbook. Use the form to provide the names of women in your congregation who have died during 2023. The names are remembered in the Prayers of the People at the Annual Gathering. Send the form to Joan Meyers, 1040 Thrush Dr., Mandeville LA 70448 or E-Mail [joanandjoe1966@gmail.com](mailto:joanandjoe1966@gmail.com) to have your deceased church women remembered.

**BANNERS** Banners add a festive air to the Annual Gathering Eucharist and we encourage you all to bring your banner for the processional leading into Saturday's Celebration of the Eucharist. Please be sure to bring a stand or base on which to put your banner. Bring the banner to the church when you arrive.

**A SWEATER OR JACKET** We never know how cold a meeting room might become and want you to be comfy. Please bring a sweater or jacket.

### **OFFERINGS & COLLECTIONS DURING ANNUAL GATHERING**

**UNITED THANK OFFERING** Parish UTO coordinators sit together at the Saturday Eucharist in the front pews and present their parish offering to the UTO Coordinator. Bring your UTO checks to put in the "Blue Box" during the Eucharist. If you have not yet had your spring UTO ingathering, please bring a white envelope containing the date of your ingathering. Please designate a substitute person to present your UTO gift if your UTO coordinator cannot attend.