

THINK AHEAD

If you need our help in covering something, let us know well in advance. If we can't make it, we'll advise you on how to handle coverage locally.

KEEP IT CONCISE

Tell us: what happened, who was involved, when, where and why. Think about other readers and what will appeal to them. Avoid long lists of names.

OBSERVE DEADLINES

Send information three to four weeks before or within one week after the event.

DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

If your copy is edited (rewritten, changed, shortened, or rearranged). REMEMBER THAT'S OUR JOB.

PHOTOS:

• Mobile phone or tablet images are not accepted.

• Photos with good contrast and composition work well because they print well. • Photos should not be digitally time stamped.

• Send ACTION shots of groups not "firing squad line-ups", "mug" shots or "check passing photos." Try not to photograph people looking directly into the camera.

Remember ACTION, ACTION, ACTION!

• Take lots of photos (vertical and horizontal). Taking more photos increases your odds of capturing a great photo.

• *Mississippi Catholic* prints every-other week, so submit your photos as soon as possible.

• All photos should be accompanied by captions. Captions should include: location, event name, event date, identification of people (first and last name) from left to right and photographer's name.

• Your camera should capture images at a resolution of 300 dpi or higher. Rely on your camera's manual for guidance and instruction on how to change these and other settings.

• The Internet is also a great resource for learning about your specific camera and photography in general.

• Please do not reduce image quality for quick e-mailing. Larger images are AL-WAYS better.

• To avoid automatic compression when emailing, try sending 1 or 2 images at a time – especially if you are sending large batches of photos.

> Send photos and news to: editor@mississippicatholic.com