

THE ARCHANGEL

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The Newsletter for Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church

Dallas, Texas

AUGUST 2012

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In the famous musical "The Wizard of Oz," Dorothy and her companions -- the Scarecrow, the Tin Man and the Lion -- follow the Yellow Brick Road to the Emerald City. When they arrive, they are given glasses with



lenses that color their reality. Suddenly, everything is green; because they are seeing it through the filter of their glasses. The scene, of course, points out that the lenses through which one views the world define and determine reality.

It is often striking how many of our perspectives are based on lenses -- the assumptions, stereotypes and prejudices -- that we put on. An example of this is found in the Gospel of John, where we read the account of Jesus encountering Nathanael: "Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also their prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.'"

Whether it is a geographical, economic, racial, political, theological, or ethical view, the "Nathanael objection" of "can anything good come out of Nazareth ... or Indianapolis?" points to the irony that a long held belief or assumption about a group, place, or event can keep us from experiencing a much larger view of the Christian life, including our beloved Church.

Although described (and denigrated) by some as a mixture of prayer, policymaking, and parties, the triennial General Convention recently concluded in Indianapolis was an important event in the life of the Episcopal Church. When all is said and done, a General Convention meets as a legislative body -- no more, no less. It enacts canons and passes (or defeats) resolutions regarding a broad range of topics important to the mission of the church. Unless one is close to those proceedings, one is apt to misunderstand or view conclusions through a too-narrow lens.

In addition to important decisions about streamlining the National Church's staff and budget, consideration of re-shaping the Church's structure (making it more pliable and responsive), and bringing renewed energy to children, youth and college ministries, including overall evangelism, at center stage was the passing of a "provisional" and uniform liturgy for same-sex blessings. The provision will have NO affect on our Diocese and Saint Michael. Our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. James Stanton, has not and will not permit same-sex blessings by any priest in any parish in the Diocese of Dallas.

Depending on one's lenses, the recently concluded convention was either a blessing or a burden, an oasis of vigorous mission or a sign of the demise of the "liberal" Church. From my vantage point, we have much for which to give thanks -- we have challenges regarding Church growth to be sure -- but we have many reasons to believe that Saint Michael has and will have a vigorous, spirit-filled mission, blending spiritual growth and service to the larger world.

Bob Danna

Youth Mission Trips

The youth of Saint Michael spent most of July on Mission trips in Houston, New Orleans, and Bolivia.

Houston



Fourteen 6th and 7th graders worked through the Cathedral Service Experience to prepare and serve meals to the homeless in the downtown area.



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Bolivia

The high school youth worked with the children at the Amistad Orphanage in Cochabamba. They took more than 14 duffel bags of clothing collected from members of the parish and purchased with money raised at bake sales.



Houston, New Orleans and Bolivia

New Orleans

Eighth and Ninth graders traveled to the city's 9th Ward, still recovering from Hurricane Katrina, to direct a math camp for children. They worked with All Souls Episcopal, also known as Saint Walgreens, because it is housed in an old Walgreens Drug Store.



The Saint Michael's Farmers Market

Farm-fresh Products Attract Hundreds of Neighbors

The Saint Michael's Farmers Market opened for business Saturday, June 30 and quickly became a north Dallas favorite. Open every Saturday from 8:00 until Noon, the farmers market attracted nearly 2,000 shoppers in its first four weeks.



The market is a non-profit community outreach ministry of Saint Michael and All Angels. All proceeds go to the vendors – the farmers and producers – who bring their products sell.

The Saint Michael's Farmers Market has received glowing reviews from the media, the vendors, and shoppers.



I must say it was a wonderful and vibrant gathering. I am thrilled to have it in the neighborhood. Every market has its own vibe and place in our community. I welcome them all. But this market, in one little day, leaptfrogged to the very top of my list of favorites.

Blog of Kelly Dean Yandell —The Meaning of Pie

St. Michael's Farmers Market has another impressive list of vendors. There are a total of seven produce growers due this weekend, so look for great selection of in-season fruits and veggies .— D Magazine blog – Side\Disc.



Had an awesome first market today at Saint Michael's Farmers Market! Thanks to everyone for coming out. It was a fantastic crowd. Can't wait til next Saturday.

— PureLand Organic - Vendor

It's a lot like Santa Fe-neat booths & fun. organic blueberries, jerkey, sausage, beautiful honey, soaps, salsa, mixed jellies, pickles. Lots of fresh tomatoes, really good tamales, veggie and lots of chicken, pork and beef. — Comment on Facebook



...so fun to get up and walk to the farmers market this morning! seemed like a wonderful turnout!

— Comment on Facebook

Faith and Literature - Summer Sunday School

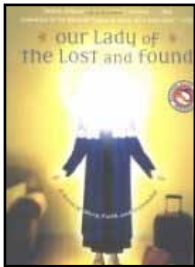
The “Faith and Literature” adult formation class continues in August. Each Sunday morning clergy will review their favorite books and authors in this fun, stimulating, and inspiring series. The books being reviewed are available in the Book Shop. Faith and Literature meets at 10:00 on Sundays in the Saint Michael Chapel.

August 5 **Mary Called Magdalene by Margaret George** **reviewed by Virginia Holleman**

Was Mary Magdalene a prostitute, a female divinity figure, a church leader, or all of those? Today, Mary continues to spark controversy, curiosity, and veneration. A vivid re-creation of Mary Magdalene’s life story, this fascinating historical novel is, ultimately, “the diary of a soul.”



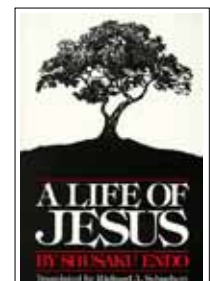
August 12 **Our Lady of the Lost and Found by Diane Schoemperlen** **reviewed by Virginia Holleman**



Told with humor and grace, the book is an absorbing tour through the history of Mary, the mother of God. It is a thoughtful meditation on spirituality, our need for faith, and our desire to believe in something larger than ourselves.

August 19 **A Life of Jesus by Susako Endo** **reviewed by Greg Pickens**

A simple and powerful retelling of the life of Christ as seen through the eyes of a Japanese novelist – “without a doubt one of the most sensitive accounts of the life of Jesus.” The influence of Japanese culture and concepts of God goes a long way to help see Jesus in all His humanity and divinity at the same time.



August 26 **When the Heart Waits by Sue Monk Kidd** **reviewed by Greg Pickens**



Combining personal experience and classic Christian teachings, this inspirational autobiographical account of a woman’s personal pain, spiritual awakening, and divine grace received *Virtue* magazine’s “Book of the Year” award.

Overview

The Rev. Jemonde Taylor Moves to North Carolina

The Rev. Jemonde Taylor's last Sunday at Saint Michael and All Angels will be August 19th after which he will move to North Carolina where he will be Rector of St. Ambrose Episcopal Church in Raleigh. Jemonde will preach at the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services in the Church and there will be a goodbye reception in the garden cloister.

Jemonde began his ministry at Saint Michael in 2009 as a recent seminary graduate and Lilly Fellow. He was ordained to the priesthood later that year and for three years has served as Missioner at Saint Michael, Jubilee Park, and St. Philip's School.

As he moves to his new ministry, Jemonde said, "Saint Michael continues to be my place of commencement, a place of new beginnings...The environment help form, grow, and deepen my ministry."



There have been several going-away parties for The Rev. Jemonde Taylor. He "flipped out" over this one given by the 20.30 group of young adults.

The Rev. Brenda Sol Ordained in Seattle

The Rev. Brenda Sol is being ordained to the priesthood on Wednesday, August 1, in Seattle, Washington. The ordination ceremony will be performed by Bishop Greg Rickel at the Trinity Episcopal Church. On Sunday, August 5, she will celebrate the Eucharist at Saint Michael's 9:00 and 11:00 services in the Church.



Brenda began her ministry at Saint Michael and All Angels in June focusing on Pastoral Care and programs for young adults. She came to Saint Michael as a member of the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts, which seeks to strengthen the quality and shape the character of church-related institutions of higher learning. She will be involved in the Lilly Fellows program through 2014.

The Rev. Sol, a native of Montana, did her undergraduate studies at both the University of Oregon and Montana State University, completing her B.S. in Elementary Education. She continued her education by completing a Masters degree in psychology at Antioch University in Seattle, and began her theological studies at Seattle University's School of Theology and Ministry. She completed her Master of Divinity degree at Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia in May, 2012.

The Rev. Lisa Flores joins our staff as Associate for Pastoral Care

The Rev. Lisa Flores began her ministry at Saint Michael in July. She preached at worship services on July 8 and left the next day for a week-long Stephen Ministry training.

A native of New Orleans, Lisa did her undergraduate studies at Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama, worked as an events and media coordinator in sports promotion, then as a regional administrator in the restaurant industry. Prior to seminary at General in New York, Lisa served as a youth minister at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Akron, Ohio.



Following her graduation from seminary and ordination in 2005, Lisa has had a distinguished ministry in Christian formation in parish, regional and national settings, and now looks forward to a pastoral focus at Saint Michael's. Lisa has served congregations in New York, Fernandina Beach (Jacksonville), Florida, Grosse Point, Michigan and Memphis, Tennessee.

Get Plugged In has been very busy!

- 4,463 total views of the Stories of Saint Michael videos
- Volunteer Central has had 342 views of SMAA opportunities for service and involvement
- The Spiritual Gifts Survey has had 613 views
- 827 have listened to the Ministry Sunday lay speakers (go to Sermons for March 4, 2012)

Check out what you have been missing at: <http://www.saintmichael.org/plugin/>



Jubilee Needs Volunteer Soccer Coaches

Jubilee is seeking coaches and assistant coaches for a new soccer league. Volunteers with this program are asked to commit to 2 to 3 hours per week which includes one weekday evening practice and one game on Saturdays for the eight week fall season. Training and orientation will begin with a soccer clinic on August 18th. For more information contact volunteer@jubileecenter.org or 214-887-1364 ext. 268.

O.M. Roberts Elementary School in Jubilee Needs Tutors



Next school year O.M. Roberts will need twice as many tutors as this past year. It's easy to be a tutor. All of the material is provided. If you can give one hour a week contact Arden Showalter at 214-821-5650 or ashowalt@mail.smu.edu.

Prime Timers Primed for September 6

The Prime Timers begin September with a mix of history and music. Dr. Edward Spann, Retired Dean of Fine Arts, Dallas Baptist University, will have a multi-media presentation of his book, "Presidential Praise: Our Presidents and Their Favorite Hymns" (in its third printing) on Thursday, September 6, at 10:30, in the Coke Room. From George Washington to George Bush, we will hear the hymns they loved best. Stay for lunch, with reservations by September 2; cost is \$10. Call Mary Davis, 214-363-7761.

20.30 F³

Single, partnered; kids, no kids; working professional, looking for work; long-time church participant, or first-timer—wherever you are on the path, you are welcome at Saint Michael! Join other twenties and thirties to deepen your faith, grow your community, and serve the world. We gather once a month for a social event,

20.30 F³
...Faith, Food & Fellowship

we'll engage in a service outreach project this year, and, beginning September 11 at 6:30, we'll meet weekly for a meal and faith formation. To be added to our email list, contact The Rev. Brenda Sol at bsol@saintmichael.org.

Women of the Spirit

Hosted by Emily Given and Suzi Finan Women of the Spirit welcomes women of all ages to for fellowship, support and study. We are currently studying *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. We meet Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 in the Parlor. For more information please contact Jill Delabano at 214-369-4905 ext. 252 or jdelabano@saintmichael.org.

Summer Book Study on Wednesday Evening and Thursday Mornings

Want to travel light this summer and enjoy a lively discussion group? Max Lucado's humorous, tender and inspiring book, *Traveling Light : Releasing the Burdens You Were Never Intended to Bear - The Promise of the 23rd Psalm*, will be discussed on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 – 6:30 or on Thursdays from 11:30 – 12:30. Both groups meet in the Parlor. Contact Marta Holden 214-363-5471 ext. 233 or mholden@saintmichael.org for more information or to reserve your spot.

Homecoming

Sunday, September 9

yesterday ... today ... tomorrow

WORSHIP
9:00 or 11:00

LUNCH
11:00 - 1:30
\$12/adult \$8/child

STORYTELLING

with Leon
in the Garden Cloister
at 10:00

**CASUAL
DRESS**

FELLOWSHIP

HELP US HONOR



Leon Farmer

50 YEARS OF MINISTRY

Lunch Ticket Sales Begin August.
You can get them online or at the Reception Desk

Share your favorite story or write a note of thanks to Leon. There will be boxes throughout the church in which to put your note. They will be given to Leon and his family at Homecoming. You can contribute to a purse that will be given to Leon at Homecoming. Make out your check to Saint Michael and All Angels and designate it for the Leon Farmer Purse. Send it to Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church - Homecoming, 8011 Douglas, Dallas, Texas 75225

Pastoral Care

Alterknit Offers Healthy Advice

Interested in some zip in your life? Have we got a deal for you!!! One that meets the requirements for a balanced and stable church life!! There are no rigid qualifications such as, credit reviews, insurance cards, or lab tests.

Requirements: Your skill set may be listed as an “award winning” professional, or a “9 out of 10”, or “gosh, always wanted to but...!” No matter, where you fit, you can finally have tangible results for your church-going volunteer heart, and even take your work home with you.

Health Professional’s Comments: “Learning a new skill is great for brain health,” and “provides a therapeutic outlet for higher brain activity.”

Recommendations: Alter Knit on Tuesday nights, 6:00 to 8:00. This is a kick-back-and-relax, nothing-is-written- in-stone, Laugh Therapy Group that knits prayer shawls for any soul in need.



Results: Research data shows: All Current Knitters are warm and breathing with slightly elevated endorphin levels. 89% displayed mellow, saint-like neuronal activity in the recent follow up scans.

Who Can Apply: We accept all angels (all genders, heights, weights, ages, hair styles and/or lack thereof, etc.) Come visit us for a trial run. We can learn from you or we can easily teach you. You will be surprised to learn how improved you feel after just a few sessions. We want you on our team!

If you are interested in participating in this fun and healthy evening Knitting group, contact Nancy Cantwell, nmkj@sbcglobal.net or just drop by the Drake Room on Tuesdays, 6:00 to 8:00.

Regional Good Shepherd Meeting

The Regional Shepherds, leaders of our Good Shepherd Ministry, are meeting Wednesday, August 8 to continue planning the Annual Good Shepherd Meeting on Thursday, October 4.

All Shepherds will be getting an invitation in September to attend a luncheon and to get the current information regarding their flock. If you would like to know the Saint Michael parishioners in your neighborhood

and are interested in getting involved in the Good Shepherd Ministry contact: Judy Cole (Chair) judycole2010@gmail.com or Ann Mills at amills@saintmichael.org.



Please mark your calendar with the following dates for Pastoral Care Ministries meetings and events:

Sundays

Recovery Advocates Groups: An Al-Anon group, “Serenity Seekers”, consisting of families and friends of alcoholics, meets the first and third Sunday night, 6:30-7:30, in the Chapel Conference Room. While this ministry and its materials are specifically directed toward loved ones of alcoholics, those concerned about loved ones with dual addictions are never turned away. Contact: The Rev. Neal Hern, nealhern@aol.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Confidential meeting times and dates are available by contacting The Rev. Neal Hern, nealhern@aol.com.

Parish Nurse Program The Parish Nurse Ministry will be in the Lanai on the third Sunday of the month. August is Immunization Awareness Month. For more information contact Dianne Boyd at dboyd@saintmichael.org.

Mondays

Basic Christian Yoga. Every Monday evening 5:30-6:45, in the Youth Space. There is NO FEE.

Women’s Cancer Support Group. Every Monday, 1:30 in the Parlor. Contact: Sue Patton, patton@sbcglobal.net

The **Caregiver Support Group** meets the first and third Mondays in the Parlor, 11:00 to 12:30. Contact: Sandra Klingeman, jsklingeman@sbcglobal.net

Tuesdays

Centering Prayer Group meets every Tuesday morning at 10:00, in the Bride’s Room. Contact: Mary Ann Webster, maryannwebster@gmail.com

The **Prayer Shawl Knitting Ministry** meets every Tuesday, 1:00-3:00, in the Coke Activities Room. Contact: Byrd Teague, Byrd.Teague@gmail.com.

Alterknit; the Nighttime Knitting Ministry meets every Tuesday night, 6:00-8:00, in the Drake Room. Contact: Nancy Cantwell, nmkj@sbcgobal.net

Thursdays

The **Sunday Service Prayer Team** meets the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 in the Coke Activities Room, for dinner and book study. For information and reservations, contact Rick Porter, rporter@mphlegal.com.

Get the Message

Sundays @ 10AM



For more Information -

Emily
egIVEN@saintmichael.org
or Suzi
sfinan@saintmichael.org

Family Foundations
Bible Study & Community
for Adults

Grow deeper in your knowledge of God and connection with one another through the study of Scripture.

Led by The Rev. Greg Pickens

Connections

Age 3 & PreK

Making the Bible come alive each week in the classroom through music, storytelling, art and music!

Led by parents.

Living Inside Out Kindergarten - Grade 3 Together!

Music, Singing & Movement
Storytelling & Prayer
Large Group Learning
Interactive Activities
Small Group Discussion

Led by Emily Given.
Shepherded by parents.

"VBS Feeling Every Week!"

The Edge Grades 4 & 5

Youth group style group with music, games, storytelling, prayer & community

Led by Suzi Finan and other adults.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Age 3-6 / Age 6-9

A Montessori method of sharing the story of God with children.

Coordinated by Gabrielle Ott.
Guided by parents.

Children's Choir Program

Kindergarten - Grade 5

Learn a life of faith through music and worship leadership.

Led by Ashley Westgate.

The Edge - 4th and 5th Graders Upcoming Events

Family Swim Night at the University Park Pool August 15th from 6:00-8:00. It is \$5 per person unless you have a UP pool pass. Snacks will be provided for swimmers and dinner items are available as well at the pool snack bar.

Wednesday Night Fall Kick Off / Edge Rite of Passage. If you are entering 4th, 5th or 6th grade please join us for this special evening on August 22nd from 5:30-7:30. We will be welcoming our new Edge 4th graders, honoring our 5th grade Edge leaders and pass our 6th graders to the Youth program. Family members are welcome for this evening of dinner, music and fellowship.

EdgeParent Meeting - August 26th. If you are a parent of a 4th or 5th grader please join us for this very important parent meeting. We will be discussing the wonderful but sometimes complicated tween years and the new programming being launched this fall to support Edge families. The meeting will take place in the Parlor on Sunday, August 26th during the 10 o'clock hour.

SURF: Tweens Catching God's Wave. Edge families put SURF on your calendar for Wednesday evenings this fall. Don't miss out on this new Wednesday night youth group just for our 4th and 5th grade Edgers. We will join together each Wednesday from 5:30-7:00 for dinner, games, hands-on projects and faith building activities.

For more information on any Edge event please contact Suzi at 214-692-3052 or sfinan@saintmichael.org.

LiveWIRE Kick Off

LiveWIRE will be recharged Wednesday, August 22 as the 7th - 12th graders welcome the new 6th graders to LiveWIRE and kick-off another great year in the Youth Center from 5:30 - 7:30. Don't miss this great chance to re-connect with friends that have been gone during the summer with a pizza dinner, music, a game containing a surprise, and Bible study.

For Your Information

Grant Them Eternal Rest

Louise Elizabeth Bland, June 21, 2012 mother of Donna Bando, grandmother of Leighton Brenner

Jane Woodward Elioseff, June 29th step sister of Tuck Henry step-sister-in-law of Rue Henry

Anna Belle "Ann" Wilkerson Priest, June 30, 2012, mother of Ann Taylor and mother-in-law of Robbie Taylor

Artra B. Randle, July 3, 2012, mother of Katrina Randle

Anita Middleton, July 3, 2012, cousin of Sandy McDonough

Jeannette Claire Galloway Franklin, July 3, 2012

Betsy Seale, July 5, 2012, sister of Gayle Kesinger

James Paul Harrison, July 7, 2012.

Harrison House Rothermel, July 15, 2012 son of Honey Rothermel, brother of Reed

Louis Frederick Rothermel, III, July 17, 2012 husband of Honey Rothermel, father of Reed

Shirley F. Binder, July 26, 2012, mother of Maggie Holsomback, mother-in-law of Mike Holsomback, grandmother of Max, Georgia and Ben

Cradle Roll

We welcome to our parish family:

Sascha Dewan

July 22, 2012

Samantha & Troy Dewan



Parish Clergy

The Reverend Bob Dannals, Rector

The Reverend Kevin Huddleston

The Reverend Jemonde Taylor

The Reverend Greg Pickens

The Reverend Brenda Sol

The Reverend Lisa Flores

The Venerable Jim Webb

The Reverend Michael Harmuth

The Reverend Neal Hern

Parish Vestry

Van Sheets, Sr. Warden

Tony Briggie, Jr. Warden

Matt Waller, Treasurer

Robert Wilson, Chancellor

Christine Ashmore, Cindy Carter, Clifford

Miercort, Stephanie Pearson, Grady Schleier,

Nancy Skochdopole, Ron Staffieri, Tom Stewart,

Stewart Thomas, Donell Wiggins,

Paige Wilbur, Scott Wilson,

Sheryl Wylie, and Margaret Spellings, Clerk

Worship Schedule

MONDAY - FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. - Eucharist - BMC

WEDNESDAYS

10:00 a.m. - Healing Service - BMC

SATURDAYS

8:30 a.m. - Eucharist - BMC

5:30 p.m. - Candlelight Mass

SUNDAYS

7:30 a.m. - Eucharist Rite I - SMC

9:00 a.m. - Eucharist Rite II - Church

9:00 a.m. - Discovery Mass/ Joy Mass - SMC

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School Classes
(Children and Adult)

11:00 a.m. - Eucharist Rite I - Church

11:00 a.m. - Celebration Mass Eucharist
Rite II - Theater

5:30 p.m. - Evening Prayer and Eucharist
Rite I - SMC

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The Saint Michael and All Angels Courtyard Columbarium

Columbarium niches are initially available at two price levels:

- \$5,000 for a double
- \$3,000 for a single

The price includes an urn and memorial plaque engraved and mounted on the niche.

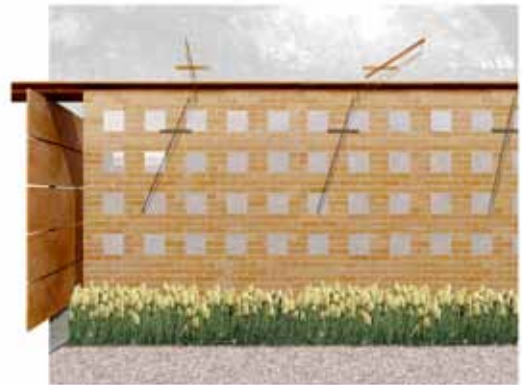
Green Interment is available for those wishing their remains to be buried or scattered.

- \$1,000 includes an engraved plaque on the Memorial Wall.

Memorial Wall spaces are available for those whose remains rest elsewhere.

- \$500 which includes an engraved memorial plaque mounted on the Memorial Wall.

Interment in the Columbarium is reserved for past or present communicants of Saint Michael and All Angels Church and members of their immediate families (spouses, parents, children, grandparents, grandchildren). Interment of others may be permitted by approval of the Columbarium Committee and the Vestry.



There are several ways of securing a space in the Columbarium:

- A one-time payment of the full amount
- Installments agreed upon between the Applicant and Saint Michael and All Angels Church

To schedule an appointment to discuss your interest in obtaining a columbarium space or to get additional information email Kimberly Hughes at khughes@saintmichael.org or call her at 214-365-3504.