

THE ARCHANGEL



The Newsletter for Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church

Dallas, Texas

NOVEMBER 2012

A Journey of Perseverance and Gratitude

November
NDSM
Collection
Month

November 3
Dream Retreat

November 9-11
Newcomers'
Weekend

November 11
Distinguished
Lecture
Barbara Bradley
Hagerty

November 11
Veterans' Day
Service

November 18
Bishop Stanton
Visitation with
Confirmation

Wednesday,
November 21
Thanksgiving
Worship 6:00
Church

Thursday,
November 22
Church closed
No 7:00 a.m.
Eucharist
(Thanksgiving
Day)

Anything worth doing, so the old saying goes, is worth doing well.

Yes. But what if the “doing” is tough? What if criticism and ridicule are companions on the journey? What if sickness hits, or despite valiant effort and faithful living a project or a ministry falls apart? What if the economy fails or the wrong person is elected President? And how about the everyday roadblocks: bad drivers, dropped calls, spilled coffee, allergy attack, cranky co-workers, missed vocational opportunities, marital disappointment?



Preparing for All Saints' Sunday and Thanksgiving and re-reading portions of the Sermon on the Mount (the readings for both occasions are selected from that portion of Matthew's Gospel), I thought about this rigorous journey. The first verses, you recall, are about the meek inheriting the earth, the hungry being satisfied, the consolation of those who mourn and the peacemakers being adopted by God. But it also seems that a part of living faithfully and doing the right thing is getting criticism and pushback. The Beatitudes end with: “How blessed are those who have suffered persecution for the cause of right for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.” And in all of this persevering we are to be grateful. After the corporate reading of these texts, we exclaim: “Praise be to thee, O Christ!”

Really? Praise? Thanksgiving?

Jesus makes the compelling case that anything worth doing is worth standing up and being counted. He gives us a glimpse of a God who believes in us more than we do ourselves. He speaks of a shaping grace which takes the raw and sometimes feeble material of our lives and produces saintly moments of touch, of influence, of compassion.

At baptism each of us receives his or her identity as a child of God. We are “marked as Christ's own forever,” in the words of the Prayer Book. It is a self-understanding and a journey of life which must be renewed again and again, a rigorous pilgrimage which needs daily infusions of grace. The primary sacrament which signifies God's strengthening presence is Confirmation/Reception.

On November 18, Bishop Stanton will visit Saint Michael and All Angels and confirm/receive those who wish to grow in their identity and discipleship as Christians. On that occasion each of us will be given the opportunity to renew our journey of faith. And then a few days later on Wednesday evening, November 21st at 6:00, we will gather to offer our thanks for this pilgrimage and for our country where we enjoy uncommon freedom.

So if you are working hard to make something good happen, raise someone in character, tell the truth, write something inspiring, or believe in the Lord of life, hang in there, God comes with perseverance. Thanks be to God!

Bob Danah

Veterans' Day Service

Veterans Honored at November 11 Service and Reception



Saint Michael and All Angels will honor all veterans and active members of the military at a special worship service in the Saint Michael Chapel at 5:30 on Sunday, November 11 – Veterans Day. Following the service there will be a reception in the church's Parlor.

“This is an opportunity for the entire congregation to honor and give thanks to the women and men who have sacrificed – some with their lives – so that we, our children, and grandchildren can live and worship in a free democracy,” said Rector Bob Dannals. “We should fill the Saint Michael Chapel to overflowing to show our appreciation to these men and women.”

The bulletin board in the hallway near the Parlor will be dedicated to honoring members in uniform during the month. If you or a relative is or has ever served in the military send their picture with name, rank, and branch of service to Tish Visinsky at tvisinsky@saintmichael.org. They will be included in our Wall of Honor.



The Archangel Newsletter (USPS 015-033) is published monthly by Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, at 8011 Douglas, Dallas, Texas 75225. Volume 24, Number Eleven

Periodical postage paid at Dallas, Texas.

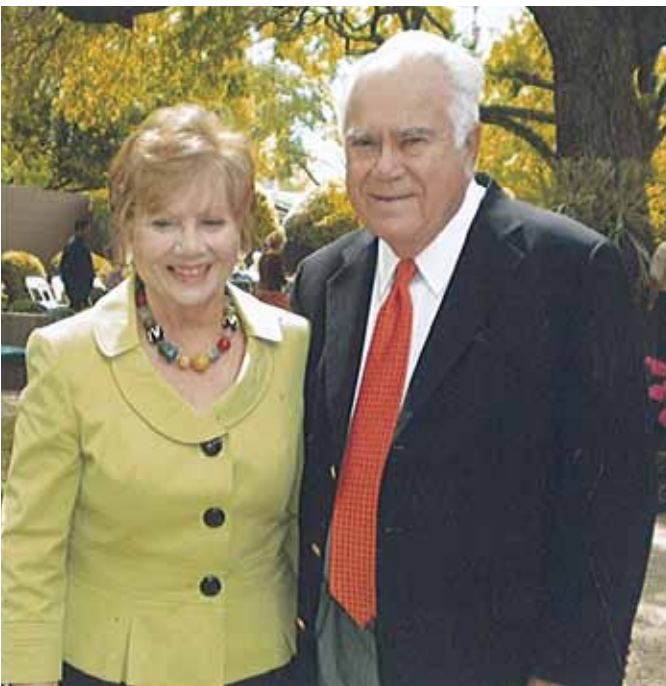
POSTMASTER: Send Address Changes to The Archangel, Saint Michael and All Angels Church, P. O. Box 12385, Dallas, Texas 75225-0385.



Throughout the Bible, "Here I Am, Lord" is the unconditional answer to God's calling. Today, we answer that call through the stewardship of our time, talents, and treasure, acknowledging the wonders and power of God's grace. Join in sharing your gifts from God by making a pledge to Saint Michael and All Angels.

We believe that those to whom much has been given, much is expected, and we try to mold our lives in this fashion. For 55 years our goal has been "as for this house, we will serve the Lord."

There are multiple worthwhile charitable organizations that need support. However, supporting Saint Michael and All Angels has always been our starting point each year. The Church, uniquely, is in the business of turning out good Christians. As it succeeds, these same Christians turn their support to the many problems of this world. We love to see Saint Michael spread help to others with mission trips, food banks, the Jubilee Center and other outreach programs. We believe the Church and its teachings are the great multiplier of good deeds .



Saint Michael is organized and focused on its mission of producing Christians. It is solely dependent on us to provide the funds for its operations, facilities, and growth. We have qualified elected officials that oversee the use of our funds, and they in turn, have selected a Rector to manage the operations with a competent clergy and staff. These people will change from time to time but our Church will always continue and grow when we enthusiastically support it and encourage its excellence. Saint Michael and All Angels is a "good place" in which to invest and is a source of much joy to all donors.

We find ourselves overwhelmed with urgent solicitations to help many needy causes and truly wish we could respond to them all. But in our household, the largest percentage of our gifts have been, and always will be, to Saint Michael. It is easy to assume that if we don't meaningfully support our Church financially, that others will fill in the gap. Experience over the years has taught us that this does not happen and the mission of the Church

always suffers. It may seem easier to say "NO" to the Church than to a friend soliciting funds for a favorite charity.

Most of us have a limit of time, talent and financial resources that can be devoted to our Church and all other philanthropic organizations. Thus, for us, it becomes an awesome, prayerful, soul searching balancing act to first: determine how much we can give or do, and second: how our giving and participation is allocated between the many needy opportunities that exist.

Our decision is to make our Saint Michael and All Angels the largest and most important recipient of our time, talents and treasure, and we find the more we give, the more blessed we feel.

Roberta and John Williamson

For Your Information

Celebrating the “Saints” of Saint Michael

Lay Ministry Sunday - November 4

Don't miss the chance to celebrate our fabulous ministries and the “saints” that make them happen. It might even be your chance to reach “sainthood.” Lay leaders will share their faith journey at each of our services, there will be a light brunch during the Sunday School Hour, and ministry groups will share what they do and how you can be involved. There will be children's activities in the Garden Cloister, with childcare available for the youngest children in their regular rooms. The speakers at each of the services will be:

- 5:30 Saturday - Randy Rekerdres
- 7:30 Sunday - Tony Briggie, Anne Coke
- 9:00 Sunday (Church) - Sheryl Wylie, Phil Ritter
- 9:00 Sunday (Chapel)- Diana Newton, Colin Holden
- 9:00 Sunday (Parish Hall) - Reggie McFarland
- 11:00 Sunday (Church) - J. Puckett, Louise Griffeth
- 11:00 Sunday (Theater) - John Wilson
- 5:30 Sunday - Donell Wiggins

Saint Michael's Farmers Market Closes First Season on a High Note

Many Vendors Offer Off-Season Delivery Service

The first season of the Saint Michael's Farmers Market closed at the end of October with happy shoppers, happy vendors, and a commitment to return next April with even more enthusiasm. The final Saturday saw many vendors totally sold out.



“We owe much of the market's success to the welcoming presence provided week after week by a tireless group of volunteers who served at Saint Michael's Welcome Booth,” stated The Rev. Brenda Sol, who coordinated their activities. “We are convinced that the community outreach we provided created a good feeling about Saint Michael in the neighborhood and will attract people to our church.”

Many of the vendors are offering an off-season delivery service. After taking orders they will deliver between 9:00 and 12-Noon on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month. They will also deliver during Thanksgiving week.

Listed below are the vendors, their products and contact information.

All Natural Healthy Cookie	cookies, tarts, muffins	theallnaturalhealthycookie@yahoo.com
Caribbean Smokehouse	white hot sauce	www.whitehotsauce.com
Designs by Diana	canned pickles, vegetables, jellies	dianaloring@tx.rr.com
EMA Baking Co.	biscotti	www.emabaking.com
Hudspeth Farm	eggs, beef, pork, chicken, sausage	www.hudspethfarm.com
In a Pickle	pickles and jams	www.inapicklefoods.com
JJ & B	jellies, jams and fruit butter	www.jjandb.com
Le Gourmet Valet	pecans and shortbread	www.legourmetvalet.com
Magnolia Seafood	seafood gumbo	lanewell5914@msn.com
Mother Shuckers Tamales	tamales	www.mothershuckertamales.com/contact
Rosa Family Farms	goatcheese	www.rosafamilyfarm.com
Spain's Smokehouse Catering	spices, smoked hams & fried turkeys	www.spainscatering.com/#!contact-us/c1s6l

Caring and Sharing - Christmas Giving

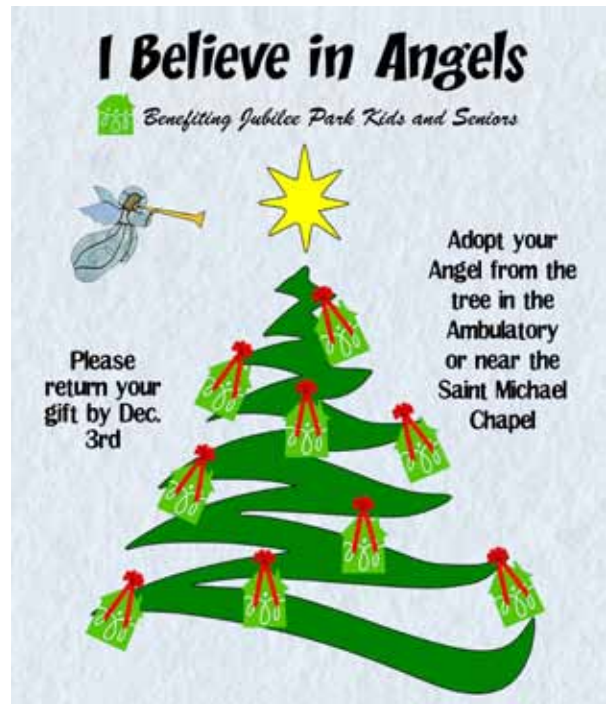
I Believe in Angels Project Kicks Off Benefiting Jubilee Park Kids and Seniors

The I Believe in Angels Project is a partnership between Saint Michael and Jubilee Park designed to provide Christmas gifts for children and seniors living in the Jubilee neighborhood. Last year, Saint Michael parishioners made Christmas wishes come true to 117 families with 331 children, and to 90 seniors.

Jubilee families are required to take an active role by volunteering in the community in order to participate in the program.

Please “adopt” angels from the trees located in the ambulatory or near Saint Michael Chapel on Sundays beginning in November and return gifts by Monday, December 3, as we minister to these families in the true spirit of Christmas.

We will need volunteers at the Angel trees on Sundays, to help sort gifts at The Jubilee Center on December 7, and to help with the family “shopping” day on December 8. If you can volunteer contact Mike Davis and Richard Kelley at 214-443-8306 or md.rk98@yahoo.com.



“Heart Of Giving” Christmas Outreach Available November 18



The “Heart of Giving” offers a thoughtful way to spread the spirit of the holiday season. When you make donations in honor of friends and family members, you receive Heart of Giving acknowledgement cards to give to the people on your list, while benefiting the Mission/Outreach Ministries of Saint Michael. Tables will be set up throughout the church beginning Sunday, November

18 to receive donations. You can use a credit card or you can donate online at www.saintmichael.org. For more information contact Celise Stephenson (cstephenson@saintmichael.org) or Jenny Wier (jnnalee@aol.com), or Jeff Wier (jeff.wier@alumni.rice.edu).

Heart of Giving donations support the following outreach ministries::

The Good Samaritan Fund

“Go and do likewise,” these were the words of Jesus at the end of the story of the Good Samaritan. Almost every day a family/person requests help: rent assistance, food, clothes for children, gas money. Administered by the clergy, the Good Samaritan Fund offers gentle, non-judgmental hope to non-parishioners in need.

Honduras Mission Project

The one-week missions to Tele, Honduras are an opportunity for spiritual formation, rewarding work and outstanding fellowship. Our teams provide medical care, construction, and Christian Education. Your gift buys pharmaceuticals and building supplies for the people of Tela and the surrounding areas.

The Jubilee Center

Saint Michael initiated the Jubilee Project during our 50th Anniversary. The Holy Spirit has led us to profound, exciting relationships with the residents of Jubilee Park in South Dallas. The results have been transformative, for us and for them. Decades of neglect cannot be wiped clean in a few years. We seek a deeper bond with Jubilee as we bring hope and exhilaration to the residents of the community.

Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation

Our brothers and sisters on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation in South Dakota face crushing poverty, unemployment, illness and hunger. Your gift supports a wide range of responses to the immediate and long-term needs of the Rosebud community.

Amistad Mission in Bolivia

The Amistad Mission ministers to nearly one hundred orphans and countless Quechua natives. The programs at the Amistad orphanage include medical care, education and spiritual development.

All Souls Episcopal Church Lower Ninth Ward New Orleans

All Souls seeks to become a spiritual center, as well as a community center in an area devastated by Hurricane Katrina that still lacks a grocery store, drug store or other amenities. Saint Michael mission trips tear down, clean up and build; building homes, building hope and building faith in Jesus Christ.

Caring and Sharing - Mission Outreach

Support the Victims of Hurricane Sandy

The Episcopal Relief and Development Fund has appealed for donations to help the victims of Hurricane Sandy. Saint Michael has already contributed \$5,000 for the Good Samaritan Fund. Send your check made to Saint Michael with Superstorm Sandy in the memo line. A single check will then be sent to the national Episcopal fund.

November is North Dallas Shared Ministry Grocery Bag Month

Our goal is 350 bags of groceries during this month!

Approximately 45,000 families receive over 1,500,000 meals monthly.

Food Pantries serve over 43,000 families at an average cost of 32 cents per meal.

Shelters and supplemental programs provide approximately 250,000 meals and snacks monthly to families at an average cost of 32 cents per meal.

A typical five-day supply of food valued at \$40 per person includes:
milk, eggs, butter, bread, tortillas, frozen meat, frozen casseroles, canned fruits and vegetables, breakfast items, soups, pastas, rice, sugar, flour, salad greens, pizzas, baby food and diapers, if applicable, laundry detergent, toothbrush and toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant, sanitary napkins, and razors.

Grocery sacks will be available during the month of November. Please return them to the South Lanai.

Saint Michael Volunteers Bolsters Jubilee Park Neighborhood

In 1998, the 62 block area near Fair Park, now known as Jubilee Park, had one of the highest crime rates in the City of Dallas and its elementary school, O.M. Roberts, was one of the worst in the school district. As part of the 50th Anniversary of Saint Michael and All Angels, the church “adopted” the community with the objective to work with the residents and to “turn the community around.”

Nearly 15 years later transformation is happening. Crime is under control and the school is one of the district’s best performing. At the center of its rebirth have been the volunteers from Saint Michael working with residents, city officials, and school leaders.

“The commitment from Saint Michael and its parishioners has never wavered,” said Rector Bob Dannals. “Jubilee is the centerpiece of our outreach ministries and has been recognized by the national Episcopal Church for its accomplishments in rejuvenating a community and its residents.”

In a report from Ben Leal, executive director of the Jubilee Park and Community Center there are currently 97 Saint Michael members serving as long-term volunteers, two-thirds of which are serving in leadership positions such as members of the board, the steering committee, or as task-force chairs. He said that 31 parishioners work at the elementary school as tutors.

In addition to the “long-term volunteers,” Leal said more than 400 Saint Michael members volunteered at event-oriented activities in Jubilee including the I Believe in Angels project, Thanksgiving and Christmas luncheon for seniors, and the Taste of Jubilee.

“Without the love, financial assistance, and most importantly the volunteers from Saint Michael we would not be able to provide over 1,100 individuals with the tools they need to improve lives and strengthen communities,” Leal said.



Jubilee Park

“Dreams: God’s Forgotten Language,”

Saturday, November 3

Maybe God speaks to us through dreams, just as in Old and New Testament times. Learn the meaning and significance of dreams and how they can give us the inherent hope for the future. The Workshop leader is Dr. Donna Cozort, a clinical psychologist, Jungian analyst, and member of Saint Michael. It will be held in the Parlor from 9:00 – 12:30. Cost: \$10. Contact Abby Escobedo for reservations at aescobedo@saintmichael.org or 214-363-5471.



Distinguished Lecture Series Barbara Bradley Hagerty



Barbara Bradley Hagerty, religion correspondent for NPR (National Public Radio) will be here the morning of Sunday, November 11.

During the 10:00 hour she will speak on “Evidence for God: from the frontiers of faith and science” in Parish Hall.

Later at a reservations-only lunch, Ms. Hagerty will discuss “Ask NPR: The Future of God, Science, and Religion,” at 12:30 in the Coke Activities Room.

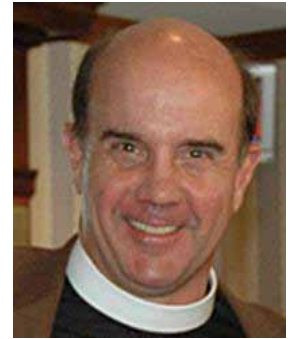
For lunch reservations contact aescobedo@saintmichael.org or 214-363-5471 ext. 512.



Advent Retreat: While You Are Waiting for God: Live!

The Rev. Frank Allen, rector of St. David’s Episcopal Church in Wayne, PA. will lead this year’s Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 1. He is the son of long-time parishioner, Laura Allen.

Throughout our lives we wait; for a child to be born, for the new promotion and job, for the illness to pass, for the house to be built, and on and on and on. During all these times, we continue to live. The question is about the quality of that “living.”



Waiting for the Advent of God in our lives is not a passive endeavor. It encompasses the whole of our lives 24/7. As we prepare for welcoming Christ into our lives again this Advent season, come learn and reflect on what it means to really be alive in Christ.

The Advent Retreat will be held in the Youth Center from 9:00 to 12 Noon.

Winter/Spring Foyer Group Sign Up

New Foyer Groups are forming to begin meeting in December. The kickoff all-group dinner for is Friday night, November 30 at 6:00 in the Parish Hall. Saint Michael’s own Len and Pam Musgrove, leaders of the Discovery Mass Bank, will lead us on a rousing sing-a-long after the meal. CD’s of the Discovery Mass will be available for purchase that night.

The cost of the meal is \$10 per person. Contact Abby Escobedo for reservations at aescobedo@saintmichael.org or sign up on the Foyer page on the website.

Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations

Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations Are Open

Serving on our vestry is one of the most enriching and fulfilling jobs at Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church.

Nominations are now being accepted for people to serve on the vestry for a three year term beginning in February 2013, and for delegates to serve at the Diocesan Convention in the Fall of 2013.

Nomination forms are available from the church receptionist and on-line at www.saintmichael.org. The deadline to submit nominations is 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 30, 2012. The completed nomination forms should be returned to the receptionist. The Nominating Committee is comprised of the five outgoing vestry members and four at-large members.

To be an eligible candidate for the vestry, the person must:

- Be more than 18 years of age;
- Be a Confirmed Communicant in Good Standing of the parish (baptized, confirmed, or received into the Episcopal Church by a Bishop of the Church or by the transfer of membership from another Episcopal parish);
- Have received Holy Communion at least three times during the preceding year and be faithful at worship, praying for the spreading of the Kingdom of God; and
- Be a Financial Contributor of Record to the parish as defined by the Parish Bylaws (made a contribution to Saint Michael and All Angels Church in the preceding year ending December 31 in the form of money or property, as reflected in the books of the parish and, in the case of property, donated in accordance with the parish's non-cash gift donations guidelines).

The new vestry members (5) and Diocesan Convention Delegates will be elected at the Annual Meeting of the parish on February 24, 2013.

Please give prayerful thought to potential candidates. It is essential that we have the strengths of diversity and commitment which have been the hallmark of the vestries of Saint Michael and All Angels.

Saint Michael and All Angels Presents Welcome All Wonders Concert

Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church presents a holiday concert, *Welcome All Wonders*, Sunday, December 2, 7:30, featuring The Arts District Chorale (ADC), Concert II Chorus of the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas (CCGD), and James Diaz and Hyeon Jeong, the church's Directors of Music.

The program includes the title piece, *Welcome All Wonders*, by Richard Dirksen, as well as choral works by Argento, Hovland, Burkhardt, Patriquin, Susa and others. The concert also features Weaver's *Fanfares and Antiphons* for organ performed by Dr. Hyeon Jeong, Saint Michael's Associate Musical Director, accompaniment by the Imperial Brass Quintet, as well as traditional carols played by James Diaz and sung by the choirs with audience participation.

"This concert will blend the musical talents of Saint Michael and All Angels, the Arts District Chorale, and the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas to usher in the season of Advent and Christmas," said Dr. Bob Dannels, Rector. "It continues our tradition of reaching into the community with programs that inspire, inform, and unify."

The concert marks the fourth year that the Arts District Chorale and the Children's Chorus have performed a holiday concert together and marks the inaugural concert of the Chorale under the direction of Constantina Tsolainou, newly appointed Acting Artistic Director. Currently the Paul S. and Jean R. Amos Distinguished Faculty Chair and Director of Choral Activities at the Schwob School of Music, Tsolainou has previously served as Principal Guest Conductor for ADC. Diaz is the winner of three international organ competitions, and played the world premiers of works by two Pulitzer Prize winning composers. Dr. Jeong has won numerous organ competitions and is a featured concert organist throughout the United States. Linda Harley conducts the Concert II Chorus, an 80-voice ensemble comprised of fifth- through eighth-graders from the CCGD.

Founded in 1989, ADC is a signature ensemble of gifted amateur and professional singers known for innovative presentations of choral works in the extraordinary cultural venues of the Dallas Arts District and beyond. Founded in 1996, CCGD gives Dallas-area children the experience of musical artistry and excellence through choral singing in a group that reflects the area's diversity.

While free to the public, the concert requires tickets, which are available for pickup prior to December 2 at Saint Michael and All Angels, the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas (400 N. St. Paul, Ste. 510, Dallas, TX 75201), or through singers in the Arts District Chorale.

For more information about the collaborating organizations, visit www.saintmichael.org, www.artsdistrictchorale.org, or www.thechildrenschorus.org.

Thanksgiving Worship Schedule

Wednesday, November 21

Thanksgiving Worship 6:00 p.m. Church

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving Day

Church Closed No 7:00 a.m. Eucharist



Women of Saint Michael

Women of Saint Michael Announce 2013 Grant Program Gifts Committee accepting applications through December 15

The Women of Saint Michael Gifts Committee is now accepting applications for its 2013 Grant Program. Every year the Women of Saint Michael award grants to Dallas area non-profits and last year gave over \$500,000 to 89 Dallas charities.

All applications must be received by December 15th. Our criteria for grant consideration comes from Mathew 25:35-36..." I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you clothed me. I was sick and you visited me. I was in prison and you came to me."

Funding is primarily intended for non-profit agencies serving the needy in Dallas County. We focus on assisting with operating expenses and program support. The maximum amount for any grant is \$15,000.

Money for the grants comes from the dedicated efforts of many women volunteers. Funds are generated from retail sales of the Saint Michael's Woman's Exchange as well as from proceeds of our annual parish party and auction and other fundraising activities.



For questions, please contact:
Kathy Kelley, Gifts Committee Chair, kkelley737@aol.com
Gayle Kesinger, Assistant Chair, gkesinger@tx.rr.com

Women of Saint Michael Meeting moved to Friday, November 16

The monthly meeting of the Women of Saint Michael will feature masterful story teller, Dr. Tom McConnell, Clinical Professor of Pathology at UT Southwestern Medical Center. The meeting, normally held on Wednesdays, has been moved to Friday, November 16 at 11:30 in the Parish Hall.

Dr. McConnell, a Saint Michael parishioner, will relate personal tales of humor and woe – much from his recently completed memoir, *Dead Wrong* – that leaves his listeners with resolve to make the world a better place. He is the son of parents suffering from addiction, a friend of Alex Haley, and a faithful diarist.

For reservations contact Whitney Grogan at whitney@thegrogans.net. One can pay at the door.

LET THERE BE LIGHT

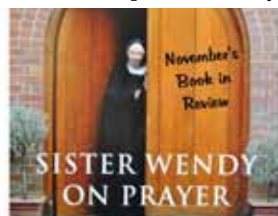
Save the Date
Women of Saint Michael Parish Party
Friday, February 1

P. T. Cruisers - November 15

The P.T. Cruisers are off to Thanksgiving Square, a jewel among the buildings of downtown Dallas. Some of the things we will see are the Glory Window, the Wall of Praise, the Great Bells of Thanksgiving and the chapel, shaped to suggest the upward reach of the human spirit. The bus leaves the church at 10:00 on Thursday, November 15th. The tour is free. Lunch will follow at Celebration Restaurant. The cost of lunch is \$15. Call Mary Davis at 214-363-7761 for reservations. The deadline is Sunday, November 11.

Women of the Spirit

This special group of women gather Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00 in the Parlor for study, support and fellowship. *Sister Wendy on Prayer* will be the November book for review and will be available for purchase in the Children and Family Ministry Office. For more information please contact Emily Given at 214-692-3030 or egiven@saintmichael.org.



Women's Choir Group Being Formed to Sing at Special Services

For those ladies in our congregation that enjoy singing but don't have time to commit to regular rehearsals, James Diaz is organizing a choir for you! The choir will have a limited rehearsal schedule and will sing at several services during the year. It will provide an opportunity to learn new music, meet some new faces, and learn how to best use one's voice in song and everyday life. Formal training is not necessary, just a love of music and the desire to sing. The new choir will sing in church for the first time on Sunday, December 2. Those interested or desiring more information contact James Diaz, jdiaz@saintmichael.org or 214-363-5471 ext 246.

20s and 30s F3: Faith, Food & Fellowship [20.30 F³]

Whether you are single, partnered; kids, no kids; working professional, looking for work; long-time church participant, or a first-timer...wherever you are on your journey... you are welcome at Saint Michael! Join other 20s and 30s to deepen your faith, grow your community, and serve the world. We gather once a month for a social event, we'll engage in a service outreach project this year, and meet weekly for conversation as we deepen our faith in the context of the realities and complexities of our life.



Newcomers' Weekend

If you have ever considered joining Saint Michael and All Angels, come on a weekend adventure to learn about this amazing church and meet wonderful members and other newcomers.

Friday, November 9

6:30 - 9:00

Dinner and Presentations (Coke Room)

Saturday, November 10

9:00 - 3:00

Presentations and Lunch (Coke Room)

Sunday, November 11

8:45

Attend Church Together
(gather in Narthex)

Wednesday, November 14

6:30

Pot Luck Dinner and Confirmation
Rehearsal (Coke Room)

Sunday, November 18

10:15

Confirmation Sunday

Meet in Bishop Moore Chapel

11:00 - Church for Confirmation

12:15 - Class Photo and Confirmation
Certificates Distributed

To RSVP or ask questions call Ann Mills
at 214-363-5422 ext. 538 or amills@saintmichael.org.

Caring and Sharing - Pastoral Care

Stephen Ministry - a place to turn for help

For more than five years Saint Michael has provided a low-key, confidential resource for helping parishioners over the “rough patches” in their lives. It’s the Stephen Ministry, a group of highly trained lay people who are able to listen, support, or “just be there” when the need is the greatest.

People have turned to Stephen Ministers for a variety of reasons; the loss of a loved one, a life-changing health crisis, job loss, divorce; the reasons go on and on. Whatever the cause, the Stephen Minister comes along side the individual providing quality, Christ-centered, confidential care to help carry that person through times of doubt and stress. They do not solve problems, give advice, or make judgments, but rather they are a source of hope, healing, and rebuilding of frayed self-worth.



There are 17 qualified Stephen Ministers at Saint Michael, 10 of whom are Stephen Leaders. Each has had more than 50 hours of training in how to develop relationships that confidentially respond to an individual’s crisis and provide support in their time

of need, no matter how long it takes. In the program, men work with men, and women with women. They meet for at least one-hour-and-a-half every week. Some work through their issues in a few weeks, others over several months.

From time to time everyone has a “rough patch.” A Stephen Minister can help smooth it over, so that the person can get on with their life. The benefit is a caring relationship with someone who will faithfully listen, empathize, pray with and for them and encourage them with Christ’s love and care.

If you are intrigued or interested in knowing more about the Stephen Ministry for you or a friend, contact the Pastoral Care Associate, The Rev. Lisa Flores at lflores@saintmichael.org, or the Stephen Ministry Lay Leader Harriet Cousins at hhcousins@gmail.com.

Mark your calendar with the following Pastoral Care meetings and events:

Sundays

Serenity Seekers - An Al-Anon group consisting of families and friends of alcoholics, meets the first and third Sunday nights, 6:30-7:30, in the Chapel Conference Room. 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. Meets in the Coke Activities Room on the first and third Sunday of the month from 7:30-8:30 in the evening. This group is open to both men and women. More information is available by contacting The Rev. Neal Hern, nealhern@aol.com.

The Parish Nurse Ministry will be in the Lanai on the third Sunday of the month with materials and information regarding Healthy Lungs Awareness Month. Contact: dboyd@saintmichael.org.

Mondays

Women’s Cancer Support Group. Every Monday, 1:30 in the Parlor. Contact: Sue Patton, pattons@sbcglobal.net, or Charlie Stobaugh, charlie@stobaugh.net

The Caregiver Support Group meets on the first and third Mondays. Meetings are held in the Parlor, 11:00 to 12:30. Contact: Sandra Klingeman, jsklingeman@sbcglobal.net, or Drew Stull, jstull3141@aol.com.

Basic Christian Yoga: Every Monday evening from 5:30-6:45, in the Youth Space. Contact: Annette Lentz, annette.lentz@sbcglobal.net.

Tuesdays

The 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: a night-time alternative, the Alterknit Knitting Ministry meets every Tuesday night, 6:00-8:00, in the Drake Room. If a daytime meeting is not a good fit for you, contact: Nancy Cantwell, nmkj@sbcglobal.net.

Thursdays

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

Save these Dates

Recovery Advocates

December 11, 6:00-8:00, Coke Activities Room Dinner and Speaker, Michael Fowler from Caron Treatment Centers Texas.

Grief Support

An Advent Liturgy of Remembrance and Light When Christmas Hurts on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 6:00.

Children, Youth and Families

Nativity Pageant

It's not too late to join in the fun! Children and youth – ages 3yrs. to 9th grade – are urged to participate in this great Saint Michael tradition. The Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 16th at 11:30 and 2:00. For out of town relatives, the Pageant will be streamed live on the Saint Michael website, www.saintmichael.org. For more information please contact Suzanne Finan at 214-692-3052 or sfinan@saintmichael.org.

Pajama Prayers

One night only this year! Hop into your jammies and join us for storytelling, music, prayers and a yummy bedtime snack. Lead by Emily Given in the Saint Michael Chapel. For more information – Emily Given at egiven@saintmichael.org



Advent Family Fair

Join us for the Advent Family Fair on Wednesday, November 28 from 6:00 to 7:15 in the Parish Hall. Stop by the Nativity Photo booth, eat a bug with John the Baptist, take part in an family focused outreach ministry and take home "Advent in a jar". Dinner by Blue Mesa. \$10/adults and \$6/children. RSVP to Jill – jdelabano@saintmichael.org



The Edge

Edge Pottery Event. Purple Glaze is opening its doors for a special Edge event. Edgers are welcome to join us at Purple Glaze on Sunday afternoon, November 11th from 1:00-3:00 to create a special chalice for the Edge Advent Family Home Communion. Cost is \$20.00 per child. For more information contact Suzanne Finan at 214-692-3052 or sfinan@saintmichael.org.

Edge Advent Family Home Communion. Mark your holiday calendar for Sunday, December 9 from 4:30-6:00 for a very special evening. Edge families are invited to the home of Christi and Cori Morrow for dinner, Eucharist and holiday fellowship. For more information or to R.S.V.P. contact Suzanne Finan at 214-692-3052 or sfinan@saintmichael.org.

Edge Moms Connect

Start your month off with great coffee and conversation. Join us the first Monday of each Month at Preston Center's Corner Bakery from 9:00-11:00. The next Edge Mom's Connect will be Monday, November 5. For more information contact Suzanne Finan at 214-692-3052 or sfinan@saintmichael.org.

Youth Plan Mission Trip to Holy Land

Saint Michael's youth (10th – 12th grade) will be off to the Holy Land this summer to learn and to serve. The trip, June 5 – 13, will take the group to Jerusalem and the surrounding area visiting the places where Jesus walked and understanding the topography and geography that brings the Gospel to life.

In addition, the mission trip includes: serving the Brothers of St. Francis and learning about their commitment to the religious life, participating in an outreach to the sick and destitute in Jerusalem, and giving aid and comfort to fellow pilgrims along the Way of Sorrows.

The travel company, Wonder Voyage, is organizing the mission trip. The company has led numerous trips for Saint Michael, and leads many faith and school-oriented youth trips each year. Wonder Voyage will provide a guide, all transportation and housing logistics, service opportunities, food logistics, and arrange local guides in Jerusalem. The cost of the trip is \$1,600 plus airfare.

You can learn more about the Youth Mission Trip to the Holy Land at www.saintmichael.org.





TRUNK



OR



TREAT



For Your Information

Grant Them Eternal Rest

Marlin Roberts Smith Sr., January 21, father of Dottie Willey

Elizabeth Ann "Betty" Hays, September 25, mother of Pam McCallum, mother-in-law of Dick McCallum

Susan Grace Cooper Johnson, September 28, daughter of Linda & Charles Cooper, sister of Charles III, Rosemary and William

Adelyn Jean Hoffman, September 29, mother-in-law of Marguerite Hoffman grandmother of Hannah, Augusta and Kate

Marian Knight Rowe, September 30, mother of Shad Rowe, mother-in-law of Michele Rowe

Karen Lynn Ellis Baxter Rodman, October 1, mother of Emily Baxter

John B. "Jack" Taft, Jr., October 1, uncle of Lee Taft

Jean Crosbie Warren Monnich, October 3, mother of Ruthie Lightbourn, mother-in-law of Walt Lightbourn, grandmother of James and David

Angela Ray Castloo, October 4, mother of Jennifer Beitter, mother-in-law of John Beitter, grandmother of Jack, Griffin, Grace

Dale Fleming Webb, October 5, father of Brenda Sheets, father-in-law of Van Sheets, grandfather of Blair, Megan, and Anna

Charlotte Finlay, October 6, wife of Richard Finlay

Madeleine TaCito, October 7, mother of Tony TaCito, mother-in-law of Susan TaCito, grandmother of Sam and Sara Madeleine

George Volk Phillips Charlton, October 26, husband of Barbara Charlton

Bruce Wilde, October 28, son of Joan and Earle Wilde

Ilene M. Kehrli, October 29, mother of Clayton C. Kehrli

Eugenia "Genie" Simmons Hansen, October 30, mother of Kaitlyn Hansen

Cradle Roll

We welcome to our parish family:

Andrew Reid Tevis
October 5, 2012
Reid & Greg Tevis

Mack Fisher Schoellkopf
October 11, 2012
Cheryl & Andrew Schoellkopf

John Knox Tyson, Jr.
October 20, 2012
Laura & John Tyson

Parish Clergy

The Reverend Bob Dannals, Rector
The Reverend Kevin Huddleston
The Reverend Greg Pickens
The Reverend Lisa Flores
The Reverend Brenda Sol
The Venerable Jim Webb
The Reverend Michael Harmuth
The Reverend Neal Hern
The Reverend Pamela Theodore
The Reverend Michael Dangelo
The Reverend Ariail Gores

Parish Vestry

Van Sheets, Sr. Warden
Tony Briggles, 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 - SMC

9:00 a.m. - Joy Mass - Parish Hall

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

facebook

www.facebook.com/SaintMichaeldallas
click "Like"

Twitter (username Saint MichaelDallas)!
Go to

www.twitter.com/SaintMichaeldallas to
follow us



The Archangel
Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church
8011 Douglas Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75225-0385

PERIODICAL
POSTAGE
PAID
DALLAS, TEXAS

Phone 214-363-5471
Fax 214-363-4388
www.saintmichael.org

Preschool Playground Groundbreaking

Groundbreaking Launches Saint Michael Preschool Playground

Construction of the new Saint Michael Preschool playground officially started with the groundbreaking ceremony Friday, October 25. School officials, parents, and supporters met in the Parlor for acknowledgements and moved to the playground site for the “turning of the dirt.”

“This is the culmination of a lot of hard work by a lot of people,” said Tracy Helms, chair of the Saint Michael Preschool Committee. “The new playground further expands the scope of our Preschool offerings to the children.” It is being built on the vacant land north of the church building and parking lot. It is scheduled to be completed early next year.

The Preschool Committee launched the effort to build a new playground facility last year. It raised more than \$134,000 from foundations, donations, and proceeds from the “Chairish Our Children” dinner.

