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Upcoming at St. Michael's:

Remember, we return to three services this Sunday, 8 September: 7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.! Church School, Youth, Adult Formation and Choirs are all back! (See more detail below.)

+Soul Journey: A Woman's Journey Bible Study begins, Tuesday, 10 September, 9:30 a.m., church library.

+Spirited Sisters Book Study begins, Tuesday, 17 September, 7:00 p.m., church library.

+Soiree in September! Ready or not, here comes the 3rd +Bus to Rock the Block Annual South Sudan Soiree: September 28, beginning at 6:30 pm. Mark your calendars now and look for more information in the coming weeks. For information on how you can help or for other questions, contact Ellen Lindeen,

elindeen@waubonsee.edu. (More detailed information below.)

We serve 103!

a letter to the people of St. Michael's from the Little Angels Preschool Director, Caren Hunter

School has started and it is so great to see the children's beautiful faces come through the doors. We are blessed this year to welcome 82 families to the preschool, some returning and some new to Little Angels. We are delighted to have them all here and happy that they have chosen Little Angels Preschool for the early education of their children.

We started our first days of

Anniversaries This Week Birthdays

9.8 Heather Davis
9.9 Grace Tilles
9.10 Callie Conners
9.11 Julia Osmond,
Colin Nance
9.12 George Tarulis,
Nancy Marks
9.13 Scott Imhoff,
Kevin Qualiardi,
Michelle Bradtke,
Jacque Napoleon,
Winston Summerfield
9.14 Josh Baudin



Caren Hunter, Director

preschool in the Sanctuary for the "Blessing of the Backpacks". Father Kevin and Mrs. B led the service, blessing the children's backpacks with the special blessed water and sharing a special prayer with the parents. Father Kevin and Mrs. B will be leading weekly Chapel times with the three, four and pre-k children

this year in the sanctuary. These special times with the clergy of St. Michael's gives the children the opportunity to come together for worship and hear the word of God in a very special place.



Backpack Blessing!

Little Angels is also blessed to have Mrs. Kara Baker lead the children in a weekly Music Time. The children love when Mrs. Baker comes into their classrooms with her instruments and beautiful voice, she has them singing and dancing, playing different instruments and hearing different types of music all year long!

We have a busy year planned starting with our Ice Cream Social/Open House on Thursday, September 12th. The children all love coming to have ice cream and the families get the opportunity to socialize and get acquainted with other parents from their child's class and the school. Our annual Fall Festival Fundraiser will be Saturday, November 2 at McGonigal's Pub here in Barrington. The Parent Advisory Board works hard gathering donations from community businesses, parish families and preschool families which are then auctioned off at the fundraiser. The monies collected from this event are used to enhance the materials and "space" that the preschoolers use here at Little Angels. This year our goal is to install an outdoor

Anniversaries

9.8 Jerry & Robyn
Seyffert
9.9 Betty & Paul
Carrubba, Barb &
Steven Hubbard,
Lindsey & Matt
Murphy
9.10 Janet & Thomas

Sell
9.11 Jennifer & Leon
Lekai
9.13 Nancy & Jeff
Moore, Ann & Bob
Daly
9.14 Janet & Peter
Bacher

garden area to allow the children the opportunity to learn about science and how plants grow and nutrition, harvesting, preparing and sharing the food that they grow. We also hope to expand on the equipment in the Undercroft that we use for our large motor play. Look for an invitation to all St. Michael's parishioners coming in an October edition of the Sword.

We have Vision & Hearing Screening, School Photo Days with our new photographer, Emily Hernandez from Appletree Studios, Field trips to the Marriott Theatre, Heinen's grocery store, Barrington Historical Society, our Fall Festival, Thanksgiving Feasts, Christmas program.....and lots more planned for the school year.

We welcome any of St. Michael's parishioners to drop by the preschool anytime to say hello and to see this very important mission of St. Michael's in action! Thank you for all of the support you give to make Little Angels Preschool the wonderful place it is for the 103 children we serve!

Rest in Peace

9.8 Helen Robinson,Carmen Gazzola,Francis Kenney9.9 Jack Fisher9.10 Helene Herriman

-Caren Hunter

Food for the Journey, this Sunday and 15 September "Why I go to Church: How faith has made a difference in my life." (back by popular demand)
Sunday September 8th at 10:05am (between the 9am and 10:45am services)

This week we are asking a panel of parishioners to share their thoughts about why they wake up on Sunday mornings and make the choice to come to Church. What is it they are looking for? What is it they have found? How does being here impact their lives? Our time will begin with each speaker saying something about what brings him/her here and then the conversation will be open to the group. Two years ago, we had a panel on this topic to kick-off our Food for the Journey series, and we are doing it again because of popular demand! Don't miss the chance to learn more about some of your fellow parishioners while also being given a chance to reflect on your own reasons for being a part of a Church.

The conversation begins the 9am service (roughly at 10:05am) and we are committed to ending at 10:40am so those who want to can make the 10:45 worship service.

Talking with children about God - strategies and tools Sunday September 15th at 10:05am (between the 9am and

10:45am services)

Little Red Wagon

In the month of September our gathering of food will go to the Wauconda/Island Lake Food Pantry. It is the one pantry we serve that is open 6 mornings and 2 evenings each week. Churches in its area provide the volunteers for each day. Special needs are canned meats, rice, canned tomatoes/sauces, crackers, paper products, shampoo, and soap.



Sam Lanham

Sometimes kids ask hard questions: What happens when you die? Where does God live? Does Jesus live in everyone's hearts? Today we will be exploring ways we can helpfully talk with children about God. And don't worry, it isn't about having all the answers! Sam Lanham is a parishioner, currently working on her graduate degree in Library Science, and a catechist in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd with over 13 years in the Church School working with children.

In the Parish family

+Those for whom prayers have been requested: Steve & Barb; Evelyn; John; The Paris Family; Hugh; the Heinrich, Poll and Hubbard families; Jackie; Brittani & Chris; Madelyn; Bryan; the Bateman family; Cindi & Mike; William; Tom & Jan; the Bullion family; George & Adonna; Connie; Paul, Chris & family; Ted; Marion; safety & peace in South Sudan; Church of the Redeemer Families in Crisis, Elgin;

military troops in danger including those from our parish, especially, Zane, Ryan, Michael, Bruce, and Taylor.



+ Received from Meredith Kober of LYDIA Home: "St. Michael's Episcopal Church,

We just wanted to pass along a sincere **THANK YOU** for all the wonderful school supplies and backpacks we received for the youth in our programs!

All are much appreciated and will get them off to a good start!

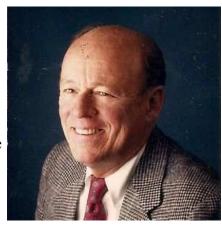
Blessings to you!"

+The **Darrow** family completes their move to Las Vegas, Nevada this week. **Robin** will join **Phil**, who has been working in Las Vegas since

January, on 6 September. Our prayers and best wishes!

+George Smith has relocated to Las Vegas, Nevada this month, and we send him with blessings and prayers for his move!

+ Interment for former longtime member, **Charles Race**, will be held in our garden columbarium on Sunday, September 8th immediately following the 10:45 a.m. service. Charles died May 16, 2013 and a memorial service was held at his home parish of St. Mary's in Stuart, Florida. If you knew Charles and it would be meaningful to you, please join the interment service in the garden



columbarium after the 10:45 a.m. worship service.

+Director of Music Ministries **David Baker** has been asked for the

second year to share the gift of his voice in the worship music for Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, today and tomorrow at Temple Judea Mizpah, Skokie. (By the way, in case you've lost track, it's 5774 Anno Mundi, 'Year of the World,' in the Jewish liturgical calendar.) The picture at right shows David (in white shirt) as a recipient of the 2006 Alltech Opera



Scholarship Competition sponsored and hosted by the Lexington (KY) Opera Society.



brittani is pictured here with ella -

Congratulations to
Brittani Miller, our
Sunday Sexton, and
Chris Fontana
who were married last
Saturday, August 31st. This is
truly a bittersweet celebration
as we will also be saying
goodbye to Brittani in her role

facepainting at the Pentecost celebration

at St. Michael's. Her final Sunday will be 15 September. We will be

collecting a purse for Brittani in celebration of her wedding, as well as in honor of her time & service to this community. (If you wish to participate, simply place your contribution in the "purse" at Coffee Hour this Sunday, 8 September, or stop by the church office.) Many thanks for all she has done for us, and blessings upon her journey.



School-Year Sundays Worship & Ministries Schedule Resumes Sunday, September 8

- + 7:45 Holy Eucharist, Rite I 8:30 Cantor Choir Rehearsal 8:45 Nursery available until Noon
- + 9:00 Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:45—Ministries with children & youth
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
 with children age 3 through 3rd grade.
 Contact Nerissa at nbrueckbaven@stmichaelsbarrington.org
- The Bridge, for children in 4th & 5th grades.
 Contact Nerissa at nbrueckbauer@stmichaels.barrington.org
- LIFT Ministry (Life in Faith Together) Middle School Youth, Sturtz House Contact Kara at kbaken@stmichaelsbarington.org
 10:00 Choir Rehearsal

10:05 Food for the Journey — Adult Spiritual Growth, Education and Fellowship (undercroft) Contact Fr. Kevin at kcaruso@stmichaelsbarrington.org

+ 10:45 Holy Eucharist, Rite II
II:45 SMUSH — Senior High ministry, Sturtz House.
Contact Kara at Kbaker@stmichaelsbarrington.org

Coffee hour & Fellowship: after all services, autside, weather permitting as in the Community Room.





Upcoming project which will shut down the Community Room entrance and/or the Main Entrance.

Construction Update/Details:

Beginning on Monday, September 9, the front entrance to the church as well as the Community Room entrance will be closed off for the concrete work to be completed. We will need to use the north side/choir room entrance for access.

At the main entrance, plywood will be put into the windows on each side the doors, horses and caution tape will be surrounding the front plaza. The street parking spots along the east side of Dundee Avenue will be roped off for the construction crew staging area. There may also be a dumpster moved into the two handicap stalls outside the choir room entrance. The concrete from the wooden doors to the public sidewalk as well as a small portion of the sidewalk heading to the north will be replaced. The current plan is to have this work completed by Friday, September 13 (weather permitting).

At the Community Room entrance, there will be a small section of concrete removed. Plywood will be installed to protect the windows at the entrance along with roping off the area with caution tape. The parking spots along the south side of the lower lot will be roped off for the construction crew staging area. The current plan is to have this work completed by Friday, September 13 (weather permitting).

There will also be a portion of the sidewalk along Dundee Avenue that heads to the parking lot replaced along with a section of the sidewalk along the handicap stalls by the choir room entrance. Additional concrete patching will be done on the sidewalks, curbs and along the ramp by the community room entrance (likely to occur during the week of September 16th).

If there are any delays on the project timeline, the Community Room entrance will be prepared to be open for Sunday, September 15.



Please join AWSM (All Women of St. Michael's) for our Welcome Back Fall Event.

Enjoy the fun and fellowship and then join the discussion with Bishop Joseph on women's roles and needs in South Sudan. **Tuesday**, **September 10th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** at the home of Shan Atkins-Jim Erbs' Home, 4302 Olde Indian Creek Lane, Long Grove, IL 60047 (If you travel East on Hwy 22, Old Indian Trail Road is approximately 3.3 miles East of Quentin Road on the right hand side.)

Please bring the following if your last name begins with: A-F Dessert; G-K Appetizer; L-R Take a Pass; S-Z Wine

Optional donations during the evening will go toward the purchase of mosquito nets for the women and children of Renk. \$15 purchases one net. If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation, please make your check out to St. Michael's and write "mosquito net" in the memo section and drop your check off to the church office. For questions or rides, contact Ann Ross at aross60047@gmail.com or 847-540-0652 or Cell 630-992-5618.

Men's Fellowship BBQ Party, Friday, 13 September, 7:00

p.m. All men of St. Michael's are invited! Special guest of honor is Bishop Joseph.

At the home of Todd Ross, 1192 Thorndale Lane, Lake Zurich.



St. Michael's Veterans
Group Fall Formation will
meet at 7:00 p.m.,
Wednesday, 18 September,
in the church library.
Please encourage other
Vets you know to come.
The more the merrier!

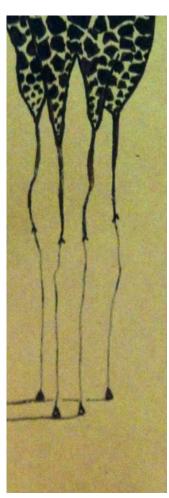


An African Eve... 3rd Annual South Sudan Soiree

Benefiting the Mission of the Episcopal Church for Education, Independence and Peace in Renk, Republic of South Sudan

Saturday, September 28, 2013, 6:00 p.m. St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Appetizers*Dinner*Dessert*African
Drumming*Silent & Live Auctions*
Performance by Lost Boys of
Sudan*African Marketplace*Raffle



prize: a three-day weekend driving experience at the wheel of a 2013
Bentley Continental GT V8 twin turbo
Coupe

Guest of Honor
Bishop Joseph Garang Atem,
Diocese of Renk Republic of
South Sudan & Special
Guest Aban Pagan Othow,
Counselor, South Sudan
Embassy

Information & reservations available at 847.381.2323



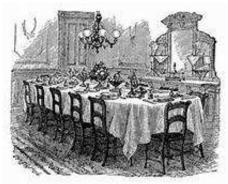
SAVE THE DATE! 50! Something Oktoberfest on October 27th at 4:00 p.m. at St. Michael's.



Mark your calendars for the St. James Commons Block Party!

The newly-renovated St. James Commons is now open for all to enjoy and on **September 15 from 3 - 6 p.m.** we're throwing a big block party to celebrate!

This just in: **FREE** bus ride to and from St James Commons. Meet at St Michael's parking lot at 1:45. Point of contact to reserve your seat on the bus is Ann Ryba, greeno51458@gmail.com.



Foyers Sign-up begins this Sunday, and will run through October, following all services. In Foyers, groups of eight gather for four meals over the course of the year, once at each participating household. Come as a couple, or sign up with a friend; all are welcome. Hosting can take place at

a park, your home, the church, or a restaurant. The goal is to keep the meal simple, keep time limited to 2-3 hours, and to keep old friends while making new ones. You may also sign up via email at Janette. Warner1@gmail.com anytime. Call Janette with any questions at (847) 516-3235.

From Our Youth Minister:

Just a reminder of how things play out on Sunday mornings. Each group LIFT & SMUSH meet in the last two pews of the sanctuary to worship

together at the respective services. Of course, if your family wishes to worship together, I completely understand and respect your decision. Simply send your youth to join the crew after Communion. Following Communion, we move to the Sturtz House (house across the north end of the parking lot) for fellowship, formation, & food. Take a peek at the Fall Youth Calendar for what's happening this fall, click here.

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, 9/8 @ 9:00-LIFT Worship, Formation, & Breakfast. Parents are welcome to join us following the sermon in the Sturtz House. Our meeting will end at 10:30.

Sunday, 9/8 @ 10:45-SMUSH Worship, Youth Advisory Board Meeting, & Pizza Lunch. All members of the Youth Advisory Board and Parents are welcome to join us in the Sturtz House.

UPCOMING:

Sunday, 9/22 from 1:00-4:00-LIFT Back to School Outing (Location TBD this Sunday)

Saturday, 9/28-Youth Volunteers at the Sudan Soiree, servers & drummers needed. Please let me know if you would be willing to serve.

Friday, 9/27-Sunday, 9/29-Episcopal Diocese of Chicago New Beginnings Retreat for Middle School Students at St. Lawrence in Libertyville. Check it out at http://www.episcopalchicago.org/at-work-in-the-church/youth-ministry/new-beginnings/.



Just a reminder that Sunday Morning Children's Choir rehearsals resume this Sunday, 9/8 from 8:15-8:45 in the chapel. I hope to see many smiling faces!

-Kara Joy Baker

Vestry Meeting Summary by Clerk c_J the Vestry, Craig Anderson A summary of the 26 August Vestry Meeting is available by clicking here.



Barrington Newcomers and Neighbors

is a non-profit social organization that welcomes new and established community members to help them meet and make friends.

Join us for coffee and door prizes as we welcome you to learn more about our group, and what we have to offer.

Open House Coffee Wednesday, September 11th 9:30-11:30am St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 647 Dundee Avenue, Barrington

We have members of all ages. Some have relocated to the Barrington area from around the U.S. or other parts of the globe, while others have lived here their whole lives.

Each month there are a variety of events and activities to help residents of all ages meet people, pursue new interests and have fun.

Some of our groups include;

- Almost Gourmet
- Alfresco Dining
- Book Club(s) (Day/Evening)
- Bridge
- Gardening
- Bowling
- Bridge
- Bunco,
- Game Day
- Golf
- Scrapbooking
- Weekend Gourmet
- Wine tasting



Join us for a FREE MEAL at The Community Meal

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 Presbyterian Church of Barrington 6 Brinker Road Barrington 5:00-7:00 p.m.

What's Happening in September?

- We will be serving salad, spaghetti, and dessert!
- We will be offering FREE tutoring for students grades K-12 to assist with homework.
- The K-9 Comfort Dogs from LCC will back for our September meal.



A Letter from Bishop Lee, Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, regarding the reunion of the Episcopal Dioceses of Chicago and Quincy

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

We are delighted to announce that the reunion of the Episcopal Dioceses of Chicago and Quincy will become effective this Sunday, September 1, the fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost. (To read the rest of this letter, please click here.)

Tall Men and Women: Rejoice!

Sexton Rich Hornickel recently replaced about ten EXIT signs around the church, and you can only appreciate the significance of this if your tall! The old signs required taller members and guests to duck ... or else "%@#!*&!". But the bottoms of the new signs are 5 inches higher due to new technology that has allowed for the design of 'low-profile' EXIT signs. Now there's no need to duck unless you're about 6'9" or taller. (By



the way, if you have a use for old but still viable EXIT signs, we have some!)

Upcoming Events

- +8 September, back to three service schedule on Sundays
- +10 September, AWSM Fall Kick-Off Event, 7:00 p.m.
- +14 September, Parish Kayak Trip
- +13 September, Men's Fellowship Event, 7:00 p.m., at the Ross Home
- +28 September, Sudan Soiree
- +25-26 October, October Men's Retreat
- +27 October, 50! Something Oktoberfest, 4:00 p.m.

Revised Common Lectionary Year C, Pentecost 16

Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17; Philemon1-21; Luke 14:25-33

Contact Info

St. Michael's Vestry

Kathy Sawyer Randolph - Sr. Warden, Shan Atkins - Jr. Warden
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The Rev. Patrick Raymond, Rector; The Rev. Kevin Caruso, Associate Rector; The Rev. Laurie Michaels, Deacon; Caren Hunter, Director of Little Angels Christian Preschool; David Baker, Director of Music Ministries; Thom Wibbels, Organist; Kara Joy Baker, Youth Pastor & Director of Children's Choir; Nerissa Brueckbauer, Children's Education Director & Communications Coordinator; Kim Lessner, Parish Operations; Nancy Holmes, Parish Administrator & Rector's Assistant; Rich Hornickel, Sexton.

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