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February 6, 2014

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From the Rector

Non-Barking Dogs - and Barking Ones



Dear People of St. Michael's,

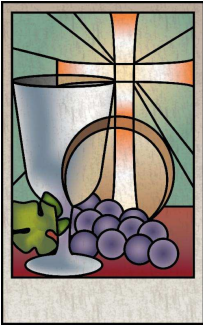
Last Sunday's *Food for the Journey* featured a conversation about Jim Collins' 2001 book *From Good to Great*. No, religious education at St. Michael's has not been usurped by talk of business success. Rather we were mining Collins' research on corporations for ideas that might be relevant to church identity, growth and mission.

Before naming qualities that propel organizations from good to great, Collins names some qualities that he describes as 'dogs that did not bark', a reference to a Sherlock Holmes story. The culprit in a particular crime must be someone who knows a certain vicious dog well, Holmes surmises, because the dog was at the scene of the crime but did not bark at the time. For Collins the 'dogs that did not bark' are qualities that are often *wrongly* assumed to make a company great.

Collins concept of 'dogs that did not bark' seems relevant to the results of the Church Assessment Tool (aka 'CAT Survey') that were presented to Vestry and THRIVE team members last night here at the church. We scrutinized a truckload of data on the religious identity, impressions and experiences of 238 parishioners. There are stats, graphs, charts and

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Sundays:
7:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
10:45 a.m.



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comparisons related to church attendance, parish leadership, worship and music, personal faith and outreach.

The sheer amount of data conveyed in the CAT results is a mixed blessing. We could reach dozens of conclusions that spawn dozens of new ideas and programs. Before doing that, though, I hope and pray that we'll have some lively conversations about which dogs are actually barking and which are not.

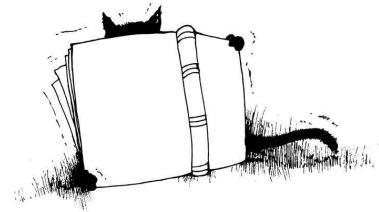
None of this may initially sound very biblical or spiritual, but maybe we can see it as another way to pursue what the Church has sometimes called *discernment, prophesy, or the leading of the Spirit*. What I pray we'll be looking for is this: Which possible ideas, programs or outcomes will only give an appearance of success? And which will 'bark'? Which will genuinely result in deeper faith and more meaningful relationships and ministries for more of us?

Sunday's conversation was the first in a series of open meetings at which we welcome all parishioners' thoughts on ideas arising from the THRIVE program. A dozen of us from St. Michael's are formally taking part in THRIVE. But all parishioners are encouraged to bark.

Patrick +

Also from the Rector

+ **Well, this is embarrassing! No CAT here!** I wrote the letter above predicated on the belief that I could share the Church Assessment Tool (CAT) results with you in electronic form ... but apparently we don't yet have them in that form, and too much quality would be lost through a scanned black and white copy. SO, stay tuned, we'll get them to you next week.



+**Two weekends ago** St. Michael's hosted 72 middle school and high school youth as well as adults from all over the Diocese of Chicago. The New Beginnings Retreat takes place two times a year. It is designed for middle school students and planned and staffed by high school students. [Click here](#) to read a letter of thanks from Chad Senuta, Associate for Youth and Campus Ministry, at the Diocese.

Ministry

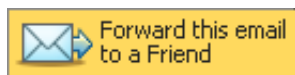
Food for the Journey: Sunday Morning Formation

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- [Our Website](#)
- [Little Angels](#)
- [Preschool Website](#)
- [Diocese of Chicago Website](#)
- [2014 RCL Liturgical Calendar](#)



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The presentation on **Sunday, February 9**, will be a conversation about a ministry of Healing Prayer. What could such ministry look like? Join the conversation! Led by the Rev. Patrick Raymond and the Rev. Eva Baydoun. [Click here](#) for an article on *Can Science Prove the Healing Power of Prayer?*

Next Sunday, February 16 - "Spiritual Gifts: What are they and do I have any?" Please join us as **Josh Baudin** leads a conversation on those wonderful endowments given to *all* of us by the Holy Spirit.



Josh

Notes from the Treasurer

As a follow up from our Annual Meeting on January 26, St. Michael's treasurer **John Davis** has provided a report that covers the 2013 Actual results and the 2014 Budget. [Click here](#) to read the report.



From the Youth Minister

Kara Baker kbaker@stmichaelsbarrington.org

Greetings Youth & Parents,

Thank you all for your help with the chili sale. Lots of time and effort went into this fundraiser, shopping for ingredients, taking orders, cooking, and distributing this past weekend. It was a huge success, and I will have a final total of how much we raised for you next week following gathering all of the receipts. We made 139 quarts and 18 of those quarts will go to support the Redeemer Soup Kitchen. Thank you all for working hard and sharing your time and talent.

Prayer Corner

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, 2/9 @ 9:00 a.m. -LIFT Worship & Formation

Sunday, 2/9 @ 10:45 a.m. -SMUSH Worship & Formation

Sunday, 2/9 @ 5:30-7:00 p.m. -Confirmation Class in the Sturtz House

UPCOMING: [Click here](#) for more exciting upcoming events.

In The Parish Family



Located outside the SE door to the sanctuary you will find a haven for intentional prayer for our brothers and sisters in South Sudan. The prayer corner was created by the **Renk Ministry Partnership** to encourage people to come, kneel, and pray for the many needs of this war torn country. Please visit the altar, light the candle, lift up your prayers. We *ARE* Prayer Warriors!

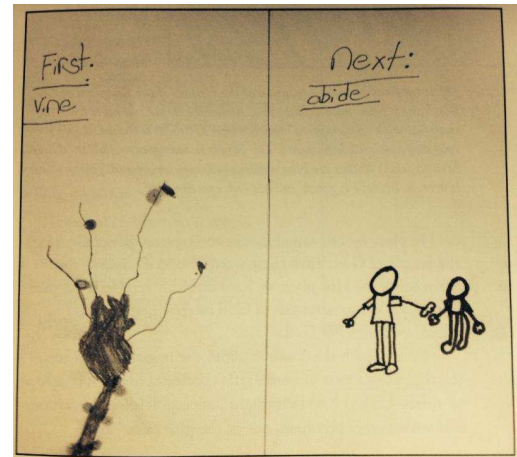


Welcome, **Piper Gray**. Piper was born on December 9, 2013. She is the daughter of Kim and Mathew Gray and little sister to *Little Angel Preschoolers* Charlotte and Chloe. Blessings to all.

Riley Raynor, 9 years old, created an original piece of artwork that was prominently displayed in the *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* 2013 Journal publication. Riley drew her piece after the True Vine presentation. The vine is green with sparkly purple fruit, the people are drawn in brown, and the words are in pink. A budding artist for sure!



Riley Raynor



Those who have asked for our prayers:

Melissa, Carol, Jan, Demetrius, Jim, Dorothy, Carol, Randy, Jordyn, Cynthia, Paul & family, Amy, Rollo, Wauconda/Island Lake Food Pantry, safety & peace in South Sudan.

Passings

There will be a gathering and worship service in thanksgiving for the life of **Phyllis Napoleon** on **Sunday, February 9 at 12:15 p.m.** in the chapel. Phyllis, mother of Frank Napoleon, died in Arizona on December 31, 2013.

Former member, **Mary Alice Linde**, of Ripon, WI, passed away on Friday, January 31, 2014, at Prairie Place in Ripon. [Click here](#) to read her obituary.

May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Friday Fellowship to discuss *Wild at Heart*

The fellows of Friday Fellowship will devote February Fridays to discussing the John Eldredge book, *Wild*

Register Now



Little Angels Preschool
2014-2015 open
enrollment is now in
progress. Contact [Caren
Hunter](#) for more
information or to schedule
a school tour. [Click here](#)
for registration form.

At Heart. Copies are available in *And All The Angels*. A reviewer writes, "Eldredge argues that men should feel free to be 'wild at heart,' and that a deep relationship with God and the security that comes from realizing one is truly a man is a key to a satisfying and meaningful life for a man." Many readers report being inspired by the book. Others find the book to be controversial. Let's discuss.



John Eldredge

Friday Fellowship gathers Friday mornings at 6:00 a.m. in the Community Room. We'll address the first three chapters on **February 7**, in hopes of taking about three chapters at a time each Friday in February. Thanks to Lou Longo for agreeing to lead the first discussion. Previous participation in Friday Fellowship is not required. Indeed, regulars, returnees and enquirers are all welcome equally. Friends are welcome, too. If you've never attended before, check us out during these next Fridays. By the way, you are welcome to come discuss the book's ideas even if you have not had a chance to read it. Questions? Contact Tim Murray at tmurray@tinkofflaw.com.

A 20 Year Ministry

This year, **And All The Angels Gift Shop** is celebrating its 20th year in business. They have given away over \$250,000 to charity since the stores inception. [Click here](#) to read a feature article printed in *Barrington Suburban Life* on January 30. And don't forget to come down and shop!



(Left to Right) Judy Heinrich,
Nancy Carney, Laurie Michaels

Become a Prayer Warrior

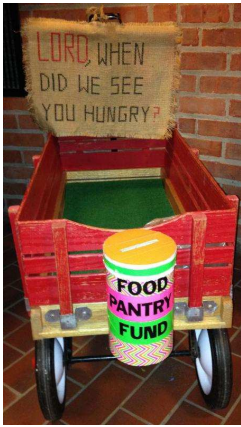
We are committing to specific prayers for Renk, Bishop Joseph and South Sudan at this critical time of violence, instability, flight out of fear, lack of food, shelter, medical care, and loss of lives. While Renk has been spared



Little Red Wagon

attack, those fleeing from nearby areas where fighting is taking place are running to Renk Diocese, specifically, Renk Town, Melut, Geiger, and points further north toward Sudan.

Many thanks to Fr. Orpen for his guidance on prayer and meditation, which is [attached here](#). We will join together, intentionally praying at the



In February, **Wauconda/Island Lake Food Pantry** will be our focus on supplying food for the needy. Please keep the Little Red Wagon full of the regular supplies and in addition this month: cookies, crackers, jello, pudding, paper goods and personal hygiene products. Note: W/IL Food Pantry served over 200 families in December.

same time, using this method, adapting it to our special focus.

If you feel called to pray intentionally, gathering with others together at specific times to pray, communicating with St. Michael's community the 'intention for the week', please contact Jackie Kraus, 847-381-5518; kraus.jackie@yahoo.com.

March 14 (5:00 p.m.) to March 15 (2:00 p.m.)

at The Cenacle, 513 West Fullerton Parkway, Chicago, IL



Join the women of St. Michael's in a retreat lead by the Rev. Jeanne Stewart, Associate Rector Christ Church Winnetka.

Open to all women 16 and over.

Cost per individual double occupancy \$90

Cost per individual single occupancy \$110

Price includes meals.

[Click here](#) for registration form.

Please sign up and pre-pay for this event. You will not have a confirmed reservation until your check is handed in to the church office with the word "Women" in the memo section.

Carpooling suggested.

Any questions, please contact

Marti Kahn ~ kentkahn@bellsouth.net or 847-842-2287

Terri Longo ~ terrilongo@yahoo.com or 847-387-3645

Mission and Evangelism Lessons from South Sudan

On March 18, Episcopal Church Foundation will offer a free webinar, *"Faithful and Trusting Christians: Mission and Evangelism Lessons from South Sudan."* Using case studies from Sudanese church history, 2013 ECF Fellow, the Rev. Jesse Zink will share lessons for evangelism and church growth.



Jesse Zink

Registration will be closed at 5:00 p.m. ET on March 17 or when the web conference is fully booked. For those unable to participate a recording of the webinar will be made

Remembering This Week

Birthdays

2.9

Larry Quinlan
Donald Sykes
Alice Kovacic
Morgan McClendon

2.10

Pat Steed
Maria Kuechmann
Sally Smith
Amy Magro
Michele Campbell

2.11

John Brueckbauer

2.12

Brittany Johns

2.13

Jean Gale
Alexis Zgoda
Daniel O'Riordan
Molly O'Riordan

2.14

Charley Wickman
Bob Gilbert

Amber DiDomenico

2.15

Marji Pullinger
Kara Nance

Anniversaries

2.9

Tina & Bob Gilbert

2.13

Dayna & Scott Imhoff

2.14

Kate & Simon Wirth

Rest in Peace

available online.

IF INTERESTED, WE CAN HAVE A VIEWING AT ST. MICHAEL'S. Contact Fr. Kevin at kcaruso@stmichaelsbarrington.org.

You Make it Possible

Dear St. Michael's Family,

Each year, St. Michael's tithes to Outreach from the money you generously give to our church. The tithe is just a part of the incredible way that your resources are helping to make God's world a better place. [Click here](#) to read some 'snippets of gratitude' from the agencies you helped support in 2013.

Yours in Christ,

Melissa Buckley

Outreach Ministry, Committee Chair



A Note from Thom

Hi gang -

Ted and I are continuing our adventures on the great roads of America. Ted has begun to assemble a few of the pictures that have been taken along the road. We thought you might enjoy seeing some of them. So, please find attachment with this

email [[click here](#)]. Take care and know that we really miss you. Hope to see you sometime in mid February.

Peace always,
Wibbels/Gysan



Diocesan Episcopal Church Women (ECW) Meeting

All women of the Chicago Diocese are invited to the annual Diocesan ECW meeting this year coinciding with the Episcopal Church's Province V ECW meeting. For more information, [see attachment](#). Early registration before February 15th is \$35. After Feb. 15th registration is \$50. If you are thinking of going, please contact Michele Phillips at flips712@comcast.net.

The Community Meal

Wednesday, February 19

St. Anne's Catholic Church

120 North Ela Street, Barrington

2.9
Patricia Jones
2.10
Ralph Holvay
2.11
Patricia Johnson
2.13
Dorothy Rose
2.14
Ken Locher



5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

The Community Meal is a FREE meal hosted once a month at various churches and community centers in and around the Barrington area. All are welcome! The February menu will be meatball minestrone soup, salad, dessert, and a vegetarian option!



The friendly staff from the Barrington Area Library will give you a hands-on demonstration of the latest e-reader devices and iPads. They'll answer questions about downloading free e-books and audio books, and tell you about the exciting renovation work going on at the library.

Televangelism at St. Michael's?



Lol. No! Just a view from our closed circuit monitor in the hallway!

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- +February 23, Holy Baptism @ 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
- +March 4, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, 5:00 p.m.
- +March 5, Ash Wednesday (service info to follow)

+March 14-15, AWSM Women's Retreat, at The Cenacle, Chicago
+March 18, South Sudan Webinar, 5:00 p.m.

Revised Common Lectionary Year A, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12); Psalm 112:1-9,(10); 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16); Matthew 5:13-20

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Marissa Longo, Youth Representative Sean Tucker, Youth Representative

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