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Your e-connection with St. Michael's Episcopal Church

May 8, 2014

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Upcoming at St. Michael's

+Saturday, May 10, Youth Flower Sale, 10:00 a.m.
+Sunday, May 11, Mother's Day, all day!
+Saturday, May 17, Spring Clean Up, 8:00 a.m.
+Saturday, May 17, Vocal Recital, 3:00 p.m.
+Sunday, May 18, Confirmation @ Christ Church,
Winnetka
+Monday, May 19, Vestry Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
+Tuesday, May 20, Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE...

Summer Worship Begins SUMMER SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE WORSHIP SCHEDULE



From the Rector The Rev. Patrick Raymond praymond@stmichaelsbarrington.org

We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. Dear People of St. Michael's,

We need your *help*! You'd normally expect to read that first line from a rector in late summer (as fall programs are looming) or before a big annual event. But, no, I'm leading with it in early May (a time of year, I'm aware, when many of us feel maxed). Why ask for your help now? Well, four reasons ...

First, I've noticed that when we put out a general call for participation in August, many parishioners have already made commitments elsewhere for the coming school year. So I'm waving my arms early, hoping that ministry in your faith community will be an important commitment for you in the coming 'year'.

Second, I notice others have also been wondering about parishioners' ministry commitments. More member involvement overall was a main theme of a

vestry conversation this past Saturday. Also, recent conversations about children's and family ministries led by Junior Warden Dave Buckley have led to and focused on related themes.



"So far, the only thing we have in common is an aversion to singing, socializing, and sharing."

A thriving ministry with children and families more often than not looks like a co-op. Every household intentionally contributes in some way to the overall good of the whole.

Third, I'm becoming more and more aware of mobility in our community and parish. Our 2013 Parochial Report showed that we lost 48 members last year. Many of them had been active in various ministries and left behind an opportunity and need for someone else. Fortunately, we gained 58 new members. But many of them have yet to be invited and trained ...

Fourth and finally, the letter that follows is from Outreach Grants Committee chair Melissa Buckley. At the April Vestry meeting she recommended our spring grant distributions of just under \$50,000, reminding us of

St. Michael's Worship Times



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

For additional service information, events and activities, please visit our website by <u>clicking here</u>.

NOTE: Summer Worship Schedule begins May 25 7:45 & 9:30 a.m. a preference for grants to organizations in which parishioners are directly involved.

I've heard many parishioners say that they believe outreach mission participation is at the heart of St. Michael's. All who take part in our many outreach ministries know that there's nearly always a greater need for more help.

With all of this in mind, I ask you to please wonder about and take action on a commitment to ministry at St. Michael's. If you need help in figuring out what that might be, please ask me or another member of the clergy or staff.

Patrick +

Also from the Rector

+ A new **'Policy on Firearm Free Facilities'**, also approved at the April 28 Vestry meeting, can be read by clicking <u>here</u>. The policy was approved based on research and recommendations over the past few

months by Vestry member Ray Kean and by our parish chancellor (legal counsel), Suzi Allen. An explanation of the stickers that will be placed at all exterior church



entrances (and an example) can be found in the Illinois State Police press release dated October 2013 that can be viewed <u>here</u>. The Vestry's motion passed by a vote of 10 in favor with 1 opposed and no abstentions and included the direction that the policy take effect, with the stickers being placed, by June 1, 2014.

Quick Links

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Listen to Sunday Sermons

Seeds and Growth

Spring is a time of renewal....a time to plan for new things. In April every year, St. Michaels gives many organizations the financial resources to move their plans forward and renew their commitment to programs that serve broken, hurt or recovering individuals in their care.

St. Michael's sets aside 10% of our operating budget to financial outreach. Through a semi-annual process that



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Vestry Meeting Summary of April 28, 2014 Click here.

includes a formal grant application, due diligence and prayerful reflection, the Grant Allocation committee manages these funds and recommends disbursement. At their last meeting, the Vestry approved the Grant Allocation committee's recommendation to support 25 organizations with \$47,017 (half of the \$94,351 outreach budget).

St. Michael's has been supporting many of these organizations for years (Shelter Care Ministries in Rockford, Grace House, Habitat For Humanity) and many of the organizations have strong ties to parishioners (Bishop Anderson House, Feed My

Starving Children, Franciscan Outreach, <u>Sentinels of</u> <u>Freedom</u>). Whether the organization is down the



Sentinels of Freedom Proudly Supporting Severely Wounded Veterans

street (Barrington Youth and Family Services) or across the globe (Diocese of Renk Microloans Fund), the work being done improves lives, feeds children, and provides opportunities to struggling individuals.

Imagine the 10% of each St. Michael's pledge as the seeds these organizations use to grow their work and the water & sunshine that sustain God's plan for their mission.

May God continue to bless the people who tend to our broken brothers and sisters and provide the sunshine, rain, and resources so they can continue their work. On behalf of these organizations, the Grant Allocation committee is grateful to our parishioners for each prayerfully considered pledge.

For more details, please see our 2014 April disbursement summary <u>here</u>.

Melissa Buckley Outreach Chairperson

Outreach Committee members: Suzi Allen, Kaky Bowles, Nancy Carney, Madelyn Lanham, Lou Longo, Marissa Longo, Ann Ryba, Carol Schmidt, Semmy



May 11

'Mothers' Believe in us more than we believe in ourselves; Do more for us than they do for themselves; Worry about us more than we realize: Pray for us more than we'll ever know: Value us more than anything else in the world; Give us more than they can afford; Love us more than anyone else can; Matter more than words can express.

From Our Youth Pastor Kara Joy Baker kbaker@stmichaelsbarrington.org

It was such a pleasure to celebrate our Confirmands at St. Michael's this past Sunday. There was a great turn out and an opportunity for conversations between youth and adults. It was a wonderful intergenerational display of how members of St. Michael's care for one another and are involved in each other's lives. THANK YOU to all who were involved with the Confirmation Class, served as mentors, put together a fantastic reception, and those who continue to hold our young adults in prayer.



Confirmation Recognition May 4, 2014

THIS WEEK:

+ Thursday, 5/8 @ 4:00-7:30 p.m.-SMUSH Mission Trippers to the Redeemer Elgin Soup Kitchen. I still have a couple open spots. Please let me know if you'd like to attend.

+ Saturday, 5/10 @ 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.-Flower Delivery & Distribution. Come one, come all! Come for any time between 8:00-12:00 to unload the truck, sort orders, and help customers pick up their order.

+ Sunday, 5/11 @ 9:00 a.m.-LIFT Worship, Dash for the Dogs Advertisement, & Breakfast out. Please bring \$ for Starbucks.

+ Sunday, 5/11 @ 10:45 a.m.-SMUSH Worship & Dash for the Dogs Advertisement, & Breakfast out. Please

bring \$ for Starbucks.

UPCOMING:

+ Sunday, 5/18 @ 9:30 service-Confirmation at Christ Church Winnetka (Confirmands arrive @ 8:30)

+ Saturday, 5/31 @ 11:00 service-- Confirmation at St. James Cathedral (Confirmands arrive @ 10:00)

Food for the Journey

Sunday morning Formation at 10:05 a.m.

Sunday, May 11

Changing and Keeping: looking back at Food for the Journey in 2013-14

Join us as we reflect on what has happened over the course of our Food for the Journey offerings of the past year. Healthy programs have a regular practice of self-evaluation. Help us think about how we can make the most out our Sunday morning offerings. What has gone well? What might we change?

Those who have asked for our prayers:

The Franch family, Paula & Rick, Madeline, Julie's family, Ray, Chris, Louise & John, Bob, David, Cynthia, Rob, Kip, Kerry, Veronica, Becky, Brian, Paul & family, Amy, Rollo, Barrington Township Food Pantry, safety & peace in South Sudan.

Where in the world is Waldo?



If you look very closely you will see a tree trimmer waving at you. All

Bishop Joseph Garang Provides Food For Our Journey Together

Sunday, May 4, Bishop Joseph worshiped with our community, speaking following the 7:45 and 9:00 services. He expressed "so much thanks" for the prayers of St. Michael's, asking for prayers to continue during a crisis begun December 1, now directly impacting the people of Renk Diocese. These are people we know and care about! Laurie Michaels, Jackie Smith, Al Johnson, Phil Darrow, and Jackie Kraus met them on their visits since the beginning of the Covenant of Relationship between Renk and St. the trees on the property were pruned today. Looking good! Michael's, in 1998.

This crisis, breaking out in the almost 3-year-old new country, South Sudan, calls us not only to pray, but also to act! Bishop Joseph has written a letter to be sent to federal and state government officials seeking immediate intervention to end the senseless killing. Download the letter <u>here</u>. Add your own endorsement to it and mail or email IL and Federal officials. Go to <u>www.senate.gov</u> and <u>www.ilga.gov</u> for contact information.

Bishop Joseph thanks his 'family' at St. Michael's for their concern and prayers. He arrived in Nairobi, Tuesday, May 6, and is very happy to be reunited with his wife, Roda and daughters, Michele and Grace. He has no idea when he can return to Renk due to interrupted transport at this time. Let us pray and act as we walk this journey with him and our friends in Renk.

(Click <u>here</u> for a link to an Episcopal News Service (ENS) article about the crisis and the Prayer Vigil at St. James Cathedral, Sunday, April 27.



Joined Together in Covenant...

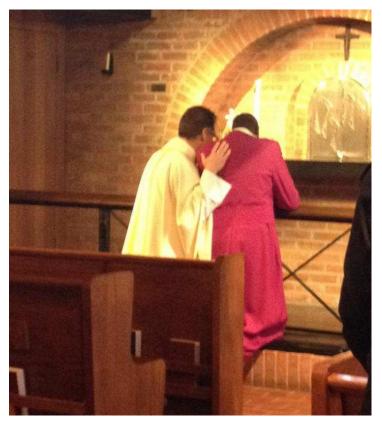
Dual signed Covenant of Relationship by the People of St. Michael's & the People of Renk Diocese.

and Prayer...

Little Red Wagon (located in front foyer)



Barrington **Township Food** Pantry will be the focus in the month of May for collecting food for the needy. In addition to regular supplies, specifically needed items: peanut butter, packaged rice (white & brown), pasta sauce, cream of mushroom soup, and crackers. Thank you.



Father Patrick & Bishop Joseph May 4, 2014

Flowers, Flowers, & More Flowers



It's that time again, for the Annual St. Michael's Youth Ministries Flower Sale on May 10. Orders were due May 4 but we will have extra's for sale for you '*late bloomers!*' Pick up your flowers on May 10 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Thank you for supporting the youth and youth programs.



Spring Cleanup Day, Saturday May 17, 8:00 a.m. If you're looking for an opportunity to work off some of

those winter pounds or just excited to get out and play in the garden, please join us for Spring Cleanup Day. We'll be spreading mulch, raking leaves, trimming ground cover, and weeding beds. We hope you'll join us for a fun morning of fellowship and a little work! (Please bring your garden tools from home.) For details, contact Carol Hebert at <u>carol.hebert@sbcglobal.net</u> or (312) 504-4999.

Soup Kitchen Cooks Unite

To the Dedicated Cooks Who Serve Their Brothers and Sisters at Redeemer Church Soup Kitchen

You Are Cordially Invited to DINNER

Thursday, May 15, 6:30 PM at the home of Marti Kahn 96 Hewes Dr. North Barrington

Month after month you all generously give your time and resources to provide food for the Redeemer ---Soup Kitchen. It is time to sit back and let yourselves be served and spend time with - - your fellow servants. Relax, chat, eat, spend -- --time together beyond email.

Asparagus and Egypt

Once considered a member of the lily family, asparagus is now classified as a vegetable. It's a late spring flowering perennial that is native to several continents. Asparagus dates back to 3000 BC where it's pictured as an offering on an Egyptian frieze. Modern asparagus is consumed in many different ways,

Please RSVP to Marti by May 10 via email or phone 847-842-2287.

Are you interested in knowing more about this ministry? Please join us and bring along a friend!

Vocal Recital to Benefit Music Ministry

Please join us on **Saturday**, **May 17 at 3:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary of St. Michael's for a benefit recital to support

St. Michael's Music Ministry. The recital will feature St. Michael's own world-class vocalists **Tina Beverly Summerfield, Kara Joy Baker** and **David Baker**. They will be accompanied by



including the recipe <u>here</u>. Enjoy!



Photo editing liberties taken!

pianist and vocal coach Shannon

McGinnis. Selections will include timeless classics of composers such as Mozart, Schubert, Strauss as well as musical theater favorites.

Funds raised from the recital will be used to help support the blossoming music ministry at St. Michael's:

- Scholarships for the Chichester Cathedral choral residency (July 2014)
- Our financial goal for the benefit recital is to raise \$5,000 to uphold St. Michael's commitment to the Chichester Cathedral
- Seed money for other Music Ministry programs not covered by the annual parish budget.

The Recital is organized through the newly-established St. Cecilia's Guild. The Guild is chartered to further the rich musical heritage of St Michael's. For decades, our church musicians have inspired us with their voices, talent and commitment to musical excellence. This new Guild will gather music supporters who relish great music and wish to fund projects to augment St. Michael's music budget.

Reception to follow the recital, providing a chance to meet the musicians, learn about the Chichester residency, and hear more about the St. Cecilia's Guild.

Childcare will be provided, so please do not miss this opportunity to hear a beautiful afternoon of music by professional musicians right within our congregation right within your neighborhood!

Please come! Invite your friends and neighbors for a musical treat.

Click <u>here</u> to be connected to Tina's website and audios of some of the pieces she has performed.

Remembering This Week

Birthdays

5.11 Larry Knobe **Emmie Phillips** Erin Reeff **Rick Walter** Jackson Paris Luke Corteen 5.12 Susan Beverly Peter Couch Grant Kimes Justin Arms Kenneth Yager Dick Garrity Campbell Paris 5.13 Austin Lewis Cooper Raynor Kali Zukowski Jack Viola John Kline 5.14 Richard Curran Ann Ryba Hugh Harris, III Lily Padula 5.15 Rob Osmond Dean Maire 5.16 Ann Ross Emily LaBarge 5.17 **Bill Collins** Carol Hebert

Anniversaries

5.15 Debbie & Joe Kunzon 5.16 Heidi & Marty Guthrie 5.17 Valorie & Frederick Eaton Gina & Dave Evans Linda & Bruce Keclik Terri & Lou Longo

Rest in Peace 5.11

Women's Bible Study continues this summer! Begins Tuesday, May 20 9:30-11:30 a.m.

All women of St. Michaels' are invited to come and enjoy wonderful fellowship and Bible study discussion of the Tuesday Morning Bible Study group the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month through August. The study will be topical, so if you miss one, come join us for the next one. Summer meeting dates are May 20, June 3, June 17, July 1, July 15, August 5 and August 19. For details, contact Nancy Seth at <u>ncseth35@hotmail.com</u> or (847) 202-8256.

Tuesday Morning

Little Angels, Little Gardeners

Caren Hunter, chunter@stmichaelsbarrington.org

Take a look at our new Outdoor Garden Space...



We are so excited to have this space to extend the children's learning outdoors and to also help beautify the grounds of the church. We want to thank Lucy and Max Houston's grandpa, **Doug Alexander**, for making the beautiful garden boxes and potting table for our space as well as installing them! And to the **Houston, Forbes, Rivero** and **Fanselow** families for coming on a Saturday to help with the installation, remove and replant bushes and flowers and spread the mulch. It was a big job and we appreciate them all giving up their Saturday Jason Richardson George Foy 5.12 Peter Bollenbach Jesse Durand



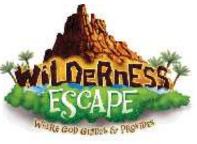
Easter Banner displayed in narthex

to be here to help get this space ready for the children to begin planting.

Be on the lookout for the **butterfly garden** that will be planted in a week or so on the east side of the building just to the south of the preschool entrance. We have ordered some beautiful plants that attract butterflies and hope to have them in the ground in a few weeks.

Vacation Bible School 2014 June 16 to 20 ~ WILDERNESS ESCAPE Where God Guides and Provides

St. Michael's and St. Anne's will join together for another fun-filled Vacation Bible School Adventure! But, we can't do it without the help of adult volunteers. We need both adult and



junior (middle and high school students) Tribe Leaders who can share their time, energy and love with the kids who attend. Commitment includes a brief orientation meeting and 3 hours per day during the week of VBS no preparation needed. If interested, please contact Jeni Younger at <u>children@stmichaelsbarrington.org</u> or 847-381-2323. Volunteers can sign up online at www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/stannestmichaelvbs (web site for sign up will be up and running on May 2).

Preschool Summer Camp

Summer Camp registration has begun. We are offering seven weeks of fun,



exciting and enriching activities Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - Noon during the months of June and July for children 2 to 5 years old. Each week has a new exciting theme! All children are welcome to attend. Click <u>here</u> for registration form.

Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements for the first quarter 2014 have been mailed to all parishioners as of April 30. Please take a moment to review your statement for any donation discrepancies between our records. If you have not received a statement or find a discrepancy on your statement after reviewing, please contact Kim Lessner at the parish offices, 847-381-2323, ext. 16 or via email <u>klessner@stmichaelsbarrington.org</u>. Thank you!

St. Michael's Altar



Our black marble altar was designed by architect Ed Dart. It was given in memory of Eleanor Freer Karcher by her family. The altar was made by the Vermont Marble Company. The mensa, or tabletop of the altar, is of one solid slab of marble, four inches thick and it rests on a pedestal. A little known fact about St. Michael's altar is that it contains a relic, which was placed in the marble mensa in August, 1956. St. Michael's first rector, the Rev. Joseph B. Williams, traveled to Europe that summer and brought back several liturgical items for the church.

He is Risen!

In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Luke 24:5

Jeni Younger created this living tomb the week before Easter. As you can see, the stone has been rolled away and the tomb is empty - life has come to the hill in the form of living foliage *and* our Living God. Alleluia, alleluia.

If you would like to see this beautiful garden in person please stop by Jeni's office. Bring the children too!







The relic is a piece of bone from St. Vincent, a Bishop and Martyr who was born in Spain. In 354 AD he was arrested for attacking St. Augustine, then known as an 'innovator.'



St. Vincent



Deanery Block Party

Sunday, May 18 Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Mosey on over to the parish house front lawn of Christ Church, Winnetka for the 2014 Deanery Block Party. Food on the BBQ, fun for the kids, meet new and old friends. Click <u>here</u> for details.

The Community Meal

May 22, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

at the Barrington Park District, 235 Lions Drive. Join your neighbors as <u>The Community Meal</u> program celebrates 5 years of serving the Barrington area.

Fall 2014 Volunteer Chaplain Training September 6 - December 6

Bishop Anderson House (BAH)

has announced that its Fall 2014 Volunteer Chaplain Training will be held at Church of the Holy Spirit, Lake Forest. This 13-week course will be offered on Saturday mornings, September 6 through December 6 through from 9 - 11 am. Learn more...



Upcoming Events for Your Calendar

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- May 20, Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.
- May 25, Summer Worship Schedule begins, 7:45 & 9:30 a.m.
- June 1, Senior Recognition Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
- June 8, Day of Pentecost
- June 16-20, Vacation Bible School
- July 12, Ribfest

Click here for a complete calendar of events on our website.

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