



The Sword

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May 29, 2014

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Upcoming at St. Michael's

- +**TONIGHT**, May 29, Ascension Day, Service 6:00 p.m.
- +Sunday, June 1, Graduation Recognition, 9:30 a.m.
- +Tuesday, June 3, Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.
- +Sunday, June 8, Day of Pentecost, *Wear Red!*
- +Sunday, June 15, Worship Planning Mtg, 10:30 a.m. (open to all)
- +June 16-20, Vacation Bible School, sign up deadline 6/2 (see info below)

PLEASE NOTE...



Summer Worship Schedule Services at 7:45 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

Beginning June 1, a Children's Chapel will be offered during the 9:30 worship service throughout the summer. Children will join in the opening procession, receive a blessing, go to the Children's Chapel, and return to join their parents for Eucharist.

TODAY

**May 29
at 6:00 p.m.
Ascension Day
Worship Service
in the Chapel**

The Ascension of Jesus

Dear People of St. Michael's,

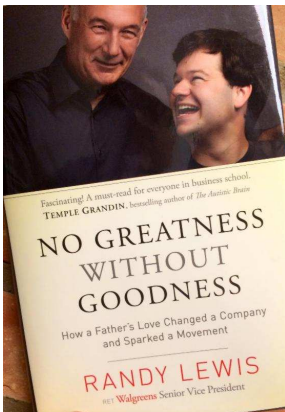
You may have been unaware until now, but today is the Feast of the Ascension. It's a major feast on our church's calendar and in other Christian traditions, and we'll hold a Eucharist here at St. Michael's in the chapel at 6:00 p.m.



and...

TODAY

May 29
at 3:00 p.m.
Randy Lewis
guest stars on the
Katie Couric Show



this evening.

One line in the Bible story of Christ's Ascension (Acts 1:1-11) particularly intrigues me. After Jesus has disappeared from the sight of his friends into a cloud, two men in white robes (angels, likely) appear and ask: "*Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?*"



Well ... where else would they be looking?! Where would you or I be looking if not 'up toward heaven'? My jaw would be dropped. I'd be wowed and flabbergasted all at once. I'd have a hard time returning my gaze to earth.

The question of the two men in white robes partly leads me to wonder: When do I take time to look up toward heaven? If or when I do, what am I looking for? When, in other words, do I take time to ponder mystery, to ask BIG questions, to consider the ratio of ultimate things to our own small realities?

The best responses to Christ's Ascension, I typically conclude, involving doing a little heaven-gazing ourselves. We might do that by way of contemplation, artwork or poetry. Consider, as an example, the following Ascension poem by author Michael Guite. Feel free to make your reading of it your own heavenward looking for the day ...

*We saw his light break through the cloud of glory
Whilst we were rooted still in time and place
As earth became a part of Heaven's story
And heaven opened to his human face.*

*We saw him go and yet we were not parted
He took us with him to the heart of things
The heart that broke for all the broken-hearted
Is whole and Heaven-centred now, and sings,*

*Sings in the strength that rises out of weakness,
Sings through the clouds that veil him from our sight,
Whilst we our selves become his clouds of witness
And sing the waning darkness into light,*

*His light in us, and ours in him concealed,
Which all creation waits to see revealed.*

May your own heavenward looking, whether today or another time, yield a joyful sense of mystery and draw you closer to Christ.

- Patrick +

St. Michael's Worship Times



Summer Sundays

7:45 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

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For additional service information, events and activities, please visit our website by clicking [here](#).

Also from the Rector:

+ **The Rev. William 'Bill' D. McLean**, Rector of St. Michael's from 1974-1986, died last Friday, May 23, in Sarasota, Florida. His funeral was held this past Tuesday, May 27, at St. Boniface Church, Fiesta Key, Florida, and St. Michael's parishioner **Steve Barnum** and former parishioner **Sharon Veenker** were among those who attended. An additional brief service with Committal in the garden columbarium at St. Michael's will take place in July, tentatively on the morning of Saturday, July 26. I arranged for flowers to be sent to St. Boniface for Fr. McLean's funeral. Leslie McLean, Bill's widow, called me later the same day to acknowledge the flowers but even more to ask me to thank all who have been keeping the McLeans in prayers during Bill's recent declining health. The obituary from the Sarasota paper may be read by clicking [here](#).

+ **Confirmations, Part II.** Please keep in prayers those to be confirmed this Saturday, May 31, at St. James' Cathedral, Chicago:

Josh Baudin, Hannah Harris and Miranda

Hutchinson. Hannah and Miranda were members of the year-long confirmation study by youth -- most other members of the class were confirmed at Christ Church, Winnetka, on May 18. Josh is an adult member of St. Michael's who, along with his family, has been worshipping at St. Michael's for the past year.



St. James Cathedral, facing Wabash Street at Huron, in Chicago's Magnificent Mile

+ **Family Informal Worship and Fellowship planned for Saturday, July 14, 5 pm.** A number of individuals have expressed an interest in reviving a formerly appreciated practice of informal family worship and fellowship on Saturday evening. We aim to share such a

gathering on a trial basis a few times over this summer, starting on June 14. More information will be included in coming Swords! To express information or ask questions, please contact Betsy Wintringer or Dave Buckley, Jr.

+ Kara Baker's new role as Preschool Director is already widely known and was the feature of my letter last week. In case you've missed the news, you can read that letter by clicking [here](#).

Additional People news:

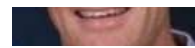
Congratulations to **Rob Rushing** whose **Eagle Scout Court** will take place at St. Michael's on Saturday, May 31, at 1:00 p.m.

SUMMER Food for the Journey

Sunday morning Formation gathers immediately following the 9:30 a.m. service.

Our summer Food for the Journey will begin on Sunday, June 1.

Parishioner **Tim Raynor**, Pilot - American Airlines (Veterans Initiative), Col. (USMCR), Director AC2T, will introduce us to an outreach ministry he has been involved in for many years. **Sentinels of Freedom** is a '4 year life scholarship program' that offers 4 years of rent free living, a vehicle, a job, and (most importantly) mentorship to our nation's most severely wounded service members who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan.



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Emphasis on this program is 'mentorship'. Each Sentinel is introduced to citizen mentors who live in the same communities where they move to after being released from a military hospital. These citizen mentors include doctors, retired school teachers, retired military personnel, financial planners, lawyers, and many others. To date, Sentinels has awarded over 100 of these scholarships to men and women across the entire US. Approximately 10 have settled in Illinois. Sentinels of Freedom is a grass roots program with only one paid employee and hundreds of mentors serving on a volunteer basis. For more information on Sentinels of

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Freedom visit www.sentinelsoffreedom.org.

In The Parish Family

Today at 3:00 p.m.

Parishioner and vestry member, **Randy Lewis**, will be a guest on the **Katie Couric Show** on **Thursday, May 29**. The show, on ABC, airs at 3:00 p.m. Randy will be discussing his book, *No Greatness Without Goodness: How a Father's Love Changed a Company and Sparked a Movement*. The book chronicles a personal odyssey of bringing personal faith, experience and values to bear in the culture and aspirations of business in 21st century America. The message of the book is rooted in and grows out of the father-son relationship with his son **Austin**. The book may be purchased at And All The Angels Gift Shop.

At the 9:30 a.m. Liturgy on Sunday, June 1, we will recognize members of St. Michael's who are graduating high school seniors. Not all will be with us that day, but the class includes: **Cassie Bacher, Aiden Donahue** (moved to RI in 2013, but still in our thoughts and prayers), **Brooke Gunderson, Hugh Harris, Victoria Hutchinson, Julia Osmond, Sean Malec, Eliot Raymond, Connor Rejman, Taylor Renshaw, Rob Rushing**, and **Wyatt Trautwein**. Click [here](#) for a feature that tells the high schools from which they've graduated and their college enrollment plans.

Those who have asked for our prayers:

Terry, Rob, Heather, Glenda, Dawn & family, Marty, John, James, Nancy, Peter & Ann, John, Nancy, Chris, Nick, Jim, Kip, Kerry, Katie, Veronica, Becky, Brian, Paul & family, Amy, Church of the Redeemer/Families in Crisis program, safety & peace in South Sudan.

Scholarship Presentation June 1

This Sunday the **Nicholas Alvin Johnson Memorial Scholarship** will be awarded to high school senior **Robert Rushing**. Rob is the ninth recipient of this St.

Michael's scholarship named in honor of **Vickie & Alvin Johnson's** first born son who died of leukemia at the age of eight in 1989. The scholarship was established in 2006 through the generosity of friends of the Johnson family. The scholarship amount is \$2500 and renewable for 4 years based on meeting the standards established by the Scholarship Committee.

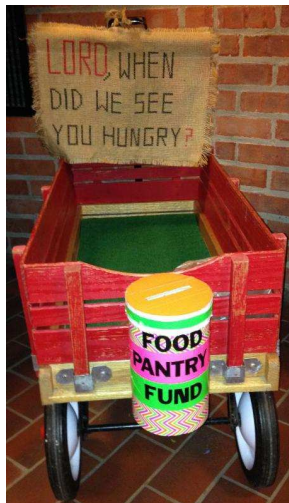
Rob has served as an acolyte at St. Michael's, participated in fund raisers, served on mission trips and conducted a food drive for St. Cyprian Food Pantry (via his Eagle Scout project). At Barrington High School he participated in soccer, track and ultimate Frisbee. As a Boy Scout he was elected to the Order of the Arrow and earned the rank of Eagle Scout (his Court of Honor will be held Saturday, May 31 here at St. Michael's). Read Rob's scholarship essay [here](#).

NICHOLAS ALVIN JOHNSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	
2006 JOHN ELLIOTT OF BIRMINGHAM, MISSISSIPPI	2007 JOHN ELLIOTT OF BIRMINGHAM, MISSISSIPPI
2007 ANDREW STEWART OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	2008 JOHN E. SCHMIDT OF IOWA CITY, IOWA
2008 DANIEL GILBERT OF IOWA CITY, IOWA	2009 ANDREW STEWART OF IOWA CITY, IOWA
2009 JULIAN CALDWELL OF IOWA CITY, IOWA	2010 ANDREW STEWART OF IOWA CITY, IOWA
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Rob's name has been added to a
outstanding students.

Rob will be attending the University of Iowa in Iowa City. He has been admitted to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences as a computer major. Congratulations and blessings to Rob as he begins this new chapter in his life.

Little Red Wagon
(located in front foyer)



Church of the Redeemer/Families in Crisis will be the focus in the month of June & July.

The needs are many for these families that enter Redeemer's doors. Over the years we have managed to find used furniture and

We are looking for a NEW Coordinator of Family Ministries

appliances as well as food for them. But the gathering of food is our main purpose. They need items for breakfast, lunch and supper, as well as soap, detergent and personal items. Please help keep the wagon filled.

REMEMBER: Hunger never goes on vacation!



Do you know someone who loves children and would enjoy supporting families in finding ways to be people of faith in the 21st century? We are currently looking to hire someone for a 20-hr/week position (a 2-page profile can be found [here](#)). If you know someone who might be a good fit for this opportunity, please pass this information along! We need your help getting the word out. And remember, it is not a full-time position, so it might be a great fit for a stay at home parent looking for a bit of employment, or a teacher looking for a way to supplement their income. Pass this profile on to anyone you think might be excited about this opportunity! Or maybe it is a good fit for you. If you are interested, click [here](#) to read the profile. If you have questions, or want to explore this opportunity further, be in touch with Fr. Kevin (773)-519-0159 kcaruso@stmichaelsbarrington.org.

St. Michael's Trivia

The weekly newsletter, a vital communication ministry of the parish, draws members from many communities and has undergone at least four name changes over the years. First it was *The Parish Visitor*, then *The Phoenix*, then *The Sword* - affectionately known as "*The Sword of the Lord*." A few years ago the newsletter went electronic and the *e-Sword* was born. This version is quickly and conveniently delivered each week to your own email address.



Who is that 'masked' man in the tree? It's our very own Blackhawks lovin' **Todd Ross**. Straight back from a month long holiday to numerous points west, Todd arrived at church today with clippers in hand and went right to work pruning our shrubs. Thanks Todd.....and GO HAWKS!

End of the Year Festivities

Little Angels Preschool concluded another banner year last week. Graduation of the four year olds was held on Thursday, May 22 and the following day the entire school gathered at Langendorf Park for their end of the year picnic. Blessings to the graduates and families and thanks to the dedicated teacher staff for a year filled with love and learning.



AND... The Great Release

The students learned about caterpillars and butterflies in a real hands-on way. Little caterpillars were delivered to the classrooms where the children watched them form into a chrysalis (cocoon). About a month later beautiful butterflies called **Painted Ladies** emerged from their 'magical sleeping bags'! The grand finale was an open air release at the park during their end of the year picnic.

Remembering This Week

Birthdays

6.1

Barb Hubbard

John Henry

David Trautwein

Owen Raymond

6.2

Andie Evans

Taylor Renshaw

6.3

Craig Anderson

Ryan Carrell

6.4

Carrie Kellogg-

Garbarek

Sean Doran

Lizzie Holzknicht

6.5

Sarah Palmer

6.6

Lauren Pepper

Drew Douglas

Corliss Anderson

6.7

Jim LaBarge

Daniel Ingram

Pierce Allord

Matt Sells

David Holtermann

Anniversaries

6.1

Renee & Matt Blue

6.3

Lisa & John Allen

6.5

Bridget & Jim Couch

6.6

Susan & Joe Beuttas

6.7

Virginia & Al Qualiardi

Rest in Peace



*May the wings of the butterfly kiss the sun
And find your shoulder to light on,
To bring you luck, happiness and riches
Today, tomorrow and beyond.
~Irish Blessing*

Vacation Bible School 2014

June 16 to 20 ~ WILDERNESS ESCAPE

Where God Guides and Provides

**The deadline for registration is June 2.
No exceptions!**

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



6.2
Helen McKee
6.3
Ethel Shepherd
6.4
Joseph Badenoch
6.5
Harold Roberts
6.6
Penny Erker



contact Jeni Younger at children@stmichaelsbarrington.org or 847-381-2323. Volunteers can sign up online at www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/stannestmichaelvbs.

Preschool Summer Camp

Summer Camp began this week and enrollment is still open for any of the upcoming sessions. 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 [here](#) for registration form.



Keeping You In The Loop

A new '**Policy on Firearm Free Facilities**', approved at the April 28 Vestry meeting, can be read by clicking [here](#). 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 [here](#). 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 our doors, by June 1, 2014.



Construction Zone Ahead



**Out with the old white Outreach Table.
In with the NEW LOOK coming soon!**

COMMUNITY events

Animal House Dash For The Dogs

Saturday, May 31, 6:00 a.m.

Dash for the Dogs is an annual 5K Run fundraiser that is held to raise much needed funds for the medical bills of special needs animals. Animal House believes every animal deserves a chance and due to that they take on many animals with injuries and medical conditions which require extensive and expensive medical treatment. Please join them for the run/walk, donate or volunteer and help us continue our fight to give every animal a shot. Click [here](#) to register and for additional information.

Crosswalk to a Safe Summer

June 8, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Please join us to work for jobs, witness for peace and

walk for hope. On Sunday, June 8, from 3 to 5 in the afternoon, we will meet at Messiah and St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 8255 South Dante Ave., and process to nearby Avalon Park, 1215 East 83rd Street. Join hundreds of Chicagoans for a gathering in the South Side Avalon Park community. Hear young people's stories about the impact of violence, why employers are partnering with CROSSwalk to hire young people, and music by Verbal Kwest. Let us help prepare a safe summer for all people. Contact Ellen Lindeen @ 847-340-5873 for a ride or carpool information. [Learn more...](#)

CROP WALK 2014

The walk will be held on **Sunday, Oct. 19, 2014** at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 401 E. Main Street, Barrington; it is being hosted by Presbyterian Church of Barrington. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m., the walk begins at 1:00 p.m. In the past there has been a 1-mile route and a 6.2 mile route. 25% of the money raised during the Walk comes back to area food pantries and other organizations in the Barrington area which help those in need, the remainder to Church World Service. A planning committee has met to lay the ground work and their **next meeting is Saturday, August 16**. Following that, on September 6 is the Rally Day meeting, which is an important meeting for church representatives as they will receive materials and tips for recruiting walkers and pledges. The Arrangements meeting on October 4 goes over final details.



Currently, St. Michael's does not have a representative for involvement in the Crop Walk. If you feel called to organize a group(s) at St. Michael's in this service project, or if you would like more information, please contact Barbara Trumbull, Chairperson of the 2014 Walk at b_s_316@yahoo.com, 847-487-2513, or Linda Osikowicz at mosikowicz@comcast.net before the August 16 meeting. Much of the planning is done by the committee, and if you would like to be involved in that, you are welcome. But, if someone would just like to be a recruiter at your church, that is fine, too. All participation is appreciated!

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

May 29, Ascension Day, Worship service at 6:00 p.m.
May 31, Confirmation @ St. James Cathedral, Chicago
June 1, Senior Recognition Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
June 8, Day of Pentecost
June 16-20, Vacation Bible School
July 12, Ribfest, 4:00 p.m.

[Click here for a complete calendar of events on our website.](#)

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