

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Third Sunday In Lent

New to St. Michael's?

Are you visiting St. Michael's today? Already a parishioner but looking to get more involved? Please email the Rev. John Newton at jnewton@st-michaels.org or send a text to 512-619- 8722.

Please provide your name, contact information, and any questions you have about the mission and ministry of St. Michael's Episcopal Church – Or just write to introduce yourself! We are eager to get to know you and I will follow up soon

Sunday Worship At St. Michael's

The St. Michael's family invites you to experience forgiveness and healing in the fellowship of Christ with Worship with Holy Eucharist at 7:45am and 10am.

Receiving Communion

All persons desiring to lead a new life in Christ are welcome to receive Communion. For Blessings simply cross your arms over your chest. For gluten free wafers ask your bread minister.



From our new Rector, Rev. John Newton

The Biblical story begins with God's call to Abram to leave the land of Haran. Abram embarks on a new and risky journey of venturing into the unknown. God asked Abram to leave behind his familiar routines and relationships and to trust God's call that something new and generative was on the horizon. This is the background behind three of the most radical words in Scripture. "So Abram went" (*Gen 12:4*).

Emily, Annie, K.K., and I are thrilled to be on this new adventure with the people of St. Michael's. When I first heard God's call to serve as your rector, I felt a rush of different emotions: excitement, gratitude, and even a bit of fear. The call to move to Austin and to join the St. Michael's family was overwhelmingly clear. "So John went."

As we begin a new season of ministry together, we cannot predict what the new land that God calls us into will look like. We know that discernment requires patience and a willingness to surrender to the Holy Spirit's guidance. We know that Jesus will be with us every step of the way. We know that the journey will be both challenging and fun, a death and a resurrection all at the same time. God is with us as we embark on this new journey.

Together we will celebrate the known even as we venture into the unknown. We will rely on God and each other as we discern God's call so that it may one day be said of us, too: "So St. Michael's went."

Scripture Readings

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Weekly Prayer Services

Morning Prayer

On Friday at 9am in the Worship Space. For more information contact Rev. Brin or Lesley.

Centering Prayer

Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the side chapel. For more information contact Phyllis Blee (phyllis.blees@gmail.com).

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Going On Today

Celebrate the Newton family's first Sunday here with a special **Taco Sunday**. Also be sure to please come help welcome Rev. John Newton and his family to St. Michael's by joining them in the Parish Hall after the service.

Flower donations are needed as we move through the Lenten season. Dedicate flowers to a birthday, anniversary, or a loved one. Envelopes are available in the Narthex.

Lenten Schedule/Events

Lent Confessions - The Rite of Reconciliation is available throughout the year, but is especially commended during the season of Lent. **Rev. Brin or Rev. John will be available during Lent on Tuesday mornings from 9-10am** for open office hours, or by appointment to hear confessions and to offer absolution. **Contact Rev. Brin** (brin@st-michaels.org) or **(512) 327-1474**.

Each day we will commit to reading a small section of the Gospel of Mark and then will come together either on **Sunday at 9am in the Parish Hall**, and on **Tuesday at noon in the Parish Hall** to learn more about the Gospel of Mark and to discuss the readings. Regardless of whether you come to one of the studies, you are invited to use this reading schedule to help with your own reading and meditation. **See website for daily readings and more information.**

Lenten program titled "The Heart of Repentance & the Call of Discipleship" - Explore The Heart of Repentance and the Call of Discipleship in this **3-week series led by Rev. Brin and Rev. John**, on **March 7. Dinner will be available** in the Parish Hall from **6:15-6:45pm**, and separate programs for children and adults will be offered from **6:45-7:45pm**. If you can bring a pot of soup and/or some bread for our meal, please sign up with our Family Minister, **Lesley Margerrison**.

Daily Morning Prayer is at 9am in the worship space **Throughout Lent**. Morning Prayer will be held from **Monday to Friday**. This simple service lasts about 30 minutes and offers a time of quiet reflection and prayer. **Contact Lesley or Rev. Brin** for more details.

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Announcements and Events

The next baptisms will take place at the Easter Vigil service. Contact **Rev. Brin** for details.

Adult Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation -Confirmation, according to the Book of Common Prayer is the mature public affirmation of ones faith and commitment to the responsibilities of ones baptism with the laying on of hands by the bishop. **Bishop Dena Harrison will join us on Sunday April 8.** If you would like to be Confirmed, Received or Reaffirm your vows on this date, please **contact Rev. Brin** to let her know of your interest. Classes will be determined based on interest and availability of participants. Childcare available.

Faith on the Run - Start your week off with a walk/run and prayer on the trail around Town Lake. We meet on the north end of the pedestrian bridge under Mopac on Mondays at 7am and end around 8am. Contact **Rev. Brin, (801) 971-8177** for details and if you are attending.

Formation and Education

Sunday Seekers Book Study meets in the Bride's Room at **9am**. The group is reading the book 'God's Voice Within: The Ignatian Way to Discover God's Will,' by Mark Thibodeaux. **Contact Phyllis Blee** (phyllis.blees@gmail.com) for more information. New participants are welcome to join at any time.

Join us for a bible study group for the Lenten season all about **the Gospel of Mark**, in the Parish Hall from 9:10-9:40am on Sundays, led by Rev. Brin. Begins on Feb. 18th.

Children's and Youth Ministries

9am Fellowship for all our students and children is available in the education wing before church. Come and join us at 9am for breakfast and to hang out with your friends. **Nursery care for all infants through 3 years old is available from 9am-11:30pm.**

10am Sunday School for all children and students - preschool to 12th grade - takes place during the 10am Worship Service. Everyone comes to the education wing before the beginning of the service and is brought to the worship space in time for Eucharist with family and friends.

Children's Music Program for 1st through 5th grade - Brenda Simms, a parishioner/Choir-member, and children meets on **Sundays at 9am**, before the service in the Education Wing to learn new songs and practice lifting their voices to the Lord. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda (brenda@stmichaels.org). Children are welcome to join at any time.

Pastoral Care And More

Pastoral Care Team

If you find yourself in need of prayer during times of illness, hospitalization, loss, personal crises or anticipating hospitalization, please contact Rev. Brin, so we can coordinate a visit with you.

Altar Flowers

Please donate to our flower ministry by dedicating in honor of someone you love, or simply making an offering. Envelopes are available in the Narthex.

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EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) is for all 6th-12 grades and meets regularly during the school year after the 10am service. See the calendar on the Student Ministry Page for more details. Contact **Marina Martin** (marinamartin2513@gmail.com) or **Rev. Brin** for more information.

Outreach

It's time to put your family's outgrown kids' books to work. Again this year, we want to give the children at Del Valle Elementary School a chance to choose and enjoy a couple of books of their own for the coming long summer.. **We will be collecting books in good condition in the Narthex until mid-May.** Our goal is 2000 books, for K - 6th grade. This has been a most successful program in the past, and we know we can do it again with your help.

Conversations with our New Rector

St. Michaels will hold small gatherings over the next several months in parishioner's homes for you to meet and visit with the Rev. John Newton. We will limit these gatherings to about 20 people each so that John is able to talk and meet people in a more intimate setting. The party at the Bellm's house on March 25 will be a family-friendly event, so feel free to bring children to that one. .

<i>Tues, March 20</i>	<i>6:30-8:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Chris and Jenny Pencis (South - Travis Country)</i>
<i>Sun, March 25</i>	<i>4:30-6:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Brent and Hilary Bellm (Westlake near Wild Basin)</i>
<i>Sun, April 8</i>	<i>4:30-6:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Caroline Kibler and Calan Thurow (Northwest Hills)</i>
<i>Tues, April 24</i>	<i>6:30-8:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Lisa Killough (Westlake – Lost Creek)</i>
<i>Sun, May 6</i>	<i>4:30-6:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Kenton and Kellye Heinze (Cedar Park)</i>
<i>Wed, May 16</i>	<i>6:30-8:30</i>	<i>Hosted by Ed and Mary Healy (Westlake)</i>

If you are interested in attending one of these parties, please RSVP to Margo Russell at margo@russellcpa.com

On Feb. 18 twenty-four students from St. Stephen's descended on our community garden to weed, add dirt, and replace landscape fabric on the pathways. The garden team is always grateful for their annual service.[Credit: Elizabeth Michaels]

Interested in taking pictures at events around St. Michaels? Send them to us! We're also looking for more clear, horizontally-shot photos of the St. Michael's congregation in action. Send any photos (along with a description of the event) to **Will** (WBH@st-michaels.org).



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