

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Trinity Sunday

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.

You may also fill out a green newcomer card and place it in the offering plate being passed during "the Peace." We are eager to get to know you and will follow up soon.

Newcomer and Prayer Request Cards

We now offer two distinct cards for various needs. Magenta-colored prayer request cards are hanging from the pews, along with green newcomer cards. Both cards can be filled in and turned over to the offering plate, a member of clergy, or any Minister of the Day.

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Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/st.michaels.austin/>

From The Rev. John Newton

To my St. Michael's family:

The staff will invest a significant amount of time and energy this summer cleaning, organizing, and de-cluttering the St. Michael's campus.

An insight that emerged from the town hall conversation on welcoming newcomers is a desire for a well-manicured campus and facility that is comfortable and appealing for both newcomers and existing members.

We intend to recycle, trash, or give away only items that are no longer being used as we seek to foster an inviting, welcoming, and clean campus. Practically speaking, we also need to make space for two new full-time employees.

In my desire to part ways with items that we no longer have a use for, I want to be careful to safeguard items that we have use for or that have special value to our parishioners. If there is a specific item in Room 8, the hallway storage closet, the main office, the bride's room closet, the library, parish hall, or annex that you are concerned about please email me as soon as possible.

If we can no longer store the item at St. Michael's, I want to make provision for you to retrieve it before we donate or recycle.

Grace and Peace,

The Rev. John Newton

Important to Note

Vacation Bible Camp is looking for kids and volunteers: Running **June 4-8, 1-4pm**, VBC registration is open and is ready to take kids and volunteers on a rollicking river adventure. For more information and registration, go to <https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/stmichaels2018> or email Elise Jones (elise.m.jones@gmail.com) or Donna Hulsey (DonnaHulsey5@gmail.com). Sign-up time is NOW so we can be ready for the right numbers of kids. Enlist the neighbors and carpool! We also need to borrow a small tent and a raft, as well as those small Christmas trees.

Today's Scripture Readings

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

Weekly Prayer Services

Morning Prayer

Tuesdays 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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The St. Michael's Community Garden is looking for people to pick and water our veggies this summer. Volunteer for a week, a month, the whole summer or rest of the year! Whether its a family project, community service hours, or an interest in growing food, whatever your motivation we will welcome YOU! Help us provide organic produce to feed the hungry. Please contact **Susan Orum** (susanorum@gmail.com) for more information.

Announcements and Events

St. Michael's book group will meet next on **Wednesday, May 30, at 2:30pm** in the library at the church. We will discuss *Ophelia's Muse* by Rita Cameron. For more information, please contact **Jackie King** (jsking2010@yahoo.com).

Trinity Center volunteering – It is St. Michael's turn to share worship and a meal with our neighbors experiencing homelessness at Trinity Center in downtown Austin on **Sunday, June 3 from 2 to 4:30pm**. If you would like to help by welcoming neighbors, setting up for worship, or being part of the kitchen crew, please consider volunteering. Contact **Caroline Kibler** (caroline.kibler@gmail.com) to sign up. **Please note that volunteers must be at least 11 years old.**

Men's Burn Your Own - Come on **Sunday evening, June 3**, at around 5:30pm with dinner at around 6:30pm and bring your own meat. We provide fire pit and hot grills, plates, silverware, sides, salad, sauces, appetizers, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks – Though, feel free to bring your own alcoholic drinks. Come early to prepare something for the group – or just to relax. Please email **james@russellcpa.com** or **ahines@hinespool.com** if you have a question or a group contribution.

Join us for Bible Study on the Book of Acts where we are reading through the Book of Acts in church on Sunday. Come join us on Tuesdays at 12:10pm for a Bible Study to learn more about this book and the early Christian community that it describes. Bring your Bible and your lunch and join us in Room 8. Questions? Contact **Rev. Brin** (brin@st-michaels.org).

ML&F is Mobile Loaves and Fishes. St. Michael's and St Christopher's have a team of volunteers. We meet the first Friday of every month at St John Neumann's comissionary to make sandwiches and load a truck. We start at 4pm and it takes about 1 hour. A different team drives the truck and delivers the food. It's a great volunteer opportunity for families. For information: **Priscilla Wicker** (pwicker@austincc.edu).

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Faith on the Run - Come join other walkers and runners of faith for Faith on the Run! We meet (almost) **every Monday at 7am at "The Rock"** on Town Lake on the north end of the Mopac pedestrian bridge. Walker and runners of all speeds and abilities are welcome! To receive notifications, including any possible changes to our routine, please sign up for the GroupMe "Faith on the Run" forum at https://groupme.com/join_group/35150442/8P0ixA. For more info, contact **Rev. Brin**.

The CORE Team at the SJN Commissary are seeking your help!

We have exhausted our supply of candy and are extremely low or out of many travel-size toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors, shampoo, lotion, lip balm, floss, mouthwash, combs). We are asking for donations of these items when you do your make ready shift or just come on by and drop off some of these items. We the summer heating approaching, non-chocolate candies (Tootsie rolls, Tootsie Pops, licorice, Twizzlers, Gummi candies, etc) will hold up better.

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.

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-11:30am. 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 Chapel announcement - Beginning on May 27, our children's formation will be a children's chapel in the bride's room. Children from preschool to 2nd grade will follow the small cross out during the song of praise, and join Brenda Simms, Rev. Hope Benko, Marina Martin and other volunteers (parents are always welcome to join us) for a children's liturgy of the word. Children will sing songs, read and listen to the same lesson adults are hearing in church and read a picture book specially chosen to correspond with the day's assigned reading. They'll also pray together for the joys and concerns on their hearts. We'll all return at the passing of the peace. Watch the Sunday Trumpet to learn what book we read and how it connects to today's gospel. Contact **Rev. Hope** (hope.benko@ssw.edu) for book list and more information.

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

Flower money can be donated to mark special occasions, passed loved ones, birthdays, and more. Envelopes are available in the Narthex if you wish to donate flowers

Submit To The Trumpet

Have an event or SMEC project? Email Will (WBH@St-Michaels.Org)

Around The Horn - News From Around the Episcopal News Service and SMEC



St. Michael's has found our new Family Minister in the form of Lizzie McManus, who will begin her work with us in August. In her own words, Lizzie says "I received my B.A. in Religion with a concentration on gender studies from Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts, and my Masters of Theological Studies from Duke Divinity School in 2016. Since then, I've worked as a writer, an art teacher, and, most recently, as the Manager of Youth Ministry Operations at Edenton Street United Methodist Church."

"I am passionate about co-creating with God - finding space and time to notice the unbelievably colorful world we live in, and I believe that children are often our best teachers when it comes to delighting in God's mystery and beauty. I am also in the ordination discernment process for the priesthood in the Episcopal church."

[Episcopal News Service] Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and the Rev. Jim Wallis of the Christian social justice organization Sojourners will have led a May 24 service at National City Christian Church followed by a candlelight procession to the White House.

The events in Washington, D.C., are part of "Reclaiming Jesus: A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis," an ecumenical Christian elders' initiative launched in March to "reclaim Jesus" from those believed to be using Christian theology for political gain.



"We are living through perilous and polarizing times as a nation, with a dangerous crisis of moral and political leadership at the highest levels of our government and in our churches," said the 23 original signers of the statement. "We believe the soul of the nation and the integrity of faith are now at stake." It's the church's role to change the world through the love and life of Christ, the signers' statement says. The contemporary Christian religious leaders supporting this initiative believe the United States is in a political, moral and theological crisis. They are concerned with the resurgence of white nationalism, racism and xenophobia; misogyny; attacks on immigrants, refugees and the poor; the distortion of facts and consistent lying by the nation's highest leaders.

At the same time, Curry's own profile has risen dramatically since he was chosen to preach May 19 at the royal wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. His sermon continues to generate praise this week as Curry turns his attention to Reclaiming Jesus. *For more information on this piece, visit www.episcopalnewsservice.org.*