

THE SUNDAY TRUMPET

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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.

Find SMEC on Social Media

Facebook:

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



The Rev. Stephanie Spellers, canon to the presiding bishop for evangelism, reconciliation and creation, left, Rabbi Victor Urecki, of B'nai Jacob Synagogue in Charleston, West Virginia, center, and Hani Hamwi, of Islamic Relief USA, during a June 20 interfaith panel discussion for World Refugee Day. Photo: Lynette Wilson/Episcopal News Service

Important to Note

For those interested in taking action for refugees being held at detention facilities across Texas: There will be a prayer service trip to the Hutto Detainment Facility in Taylor, Texas on July 8, at 12:15pm. Buses will leave the Austin Convention Center at 10:45am to head towards Taylor, with the service for prayers for justice, witness, and presence taking place at the scheduled time. The buses will leave to head back to Austin no later than 1:30pm. People are encouraged to find their own way via carpooling, ridesharing, or any other methods. To request a spot on the bus, email ustohutto@gmail.com or for more information, message **Russ Oechsel** (roechsel@sbcglobal.net).

Announcements and Events

General Convention volunteers are welcome and needed! For more information and to sign up for this year's Convention running from **July 5-13**, please visit <http://bit.ly/GenConReg2018> or our website at www.St-Michaels.org and click on the banner for General Convention.

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 Bles (phyllis.blees@gmail.com).

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The St. Michael's book group will meet again on Wednesday, **August 29, at 2:30pm** at the new Trianon, 3654 Bee Cave Road. We will discuss *And the Ladies of the Club*, by Helen Hooven Santmyer. For more information, please contact **Jackie King** (jksking2010@yahoo.com).

The National Board of Episcopal Church Women are looking for donations for the Trinity Center shower ministry at St. David's Episcopal, downtown, as it is the recipient of the Community Connection Gift for Triennial Meeting 2018. The Board's goal is for assembling and delivering, during the Triennial Meeting next July, hundreds of "summer survival kits" to the homeless citizens served by the shower program. Toiletries, socks, insect repellent, deodorant, and more are all accepted, including financial contributions. For more information, go to <https://www.ecwnational.org/triennial-meeting-2018/community-connection-gift> or contact **Beblon Parks** (socialjustice@ecwnational.org).

The Episcopal Diocese of Texas 117th Annual Retreat for Women is coming up **October 12-14 at Camp Allen** and now is the time to save the date! Hosted by Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, Waco, St. Luke the Evangelist, Houston and The Diocese of Texas ECW Board. For more information, contact **Pat Starkie** (convo.austin@gmail.com).

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).

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 the summer heating approaching, non-chocolate candies (Tootsie rolls, Tootsie Pops, licorice, Twizzlers, Gummi candies, etc) will hold up better. For information: **Priscilla Wicker** (pwicker@austincc.edu).

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 Bles** (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.**

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Children's Music Program for K through 5th grade - Brenda Simms, a parishioner/Choir-member, and children meet on **Sundays at 9am**, 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.

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.

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

Bishop Andy Doyle's Statement on Separating Children from Parents at Border

"Families are the bedrock of American society and our government has the discretion to ensure that young children are not separated from their mothers and fathers and exposed to irreparable harm and trauma. Separating babies from their mothers is not only unconscionable, it is immoral.

Superior orders will not be an ethical defense for the legacy of pain being inflicted upon these children or the violence to families being woven into the fabric of our future. These actions do irreparable harm, are not proportional to the crime, betray our covenant with God in both the Old and New Testaments, subvert American family values, and are patently inhumane.

Our government leaders have the ability to uphold our laws, protect our borders, and ensure that families are not separated. Yet, these families—who are in crisis in their native lands—now face even more uncertainty because those in power are not taking the responsibility of leadership. Our society's actions reveal not only what our government values, but America's values. How we handle this crisis reveals if we are the great and civilized society our immigrant founding fathers dreamed or if that dream is over. This is a defining moment for America."

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas



The Episcopal Church is committed to welcoming the stranger and advocating for a humane and proportional immigration system. For more than a century The Episcopal Church has been engaged in the ministry of welcoming immigrants, walking with them as they begin their new lives in our communities and advocating for immigration policies that protect families from separation, offer meaningful access to citizenship, and respect the dignity of every human being.

For more information, please visit <https://advocacy.episcopalchurch.org/immigration>.

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Bishop Michael Curry Joins Other Faith Leaders in a Statement on Separation at Borders

"Recently, the Administration announced that it will begin separating families and criminally prosecuting all people who enter the U.S. without previous authorization. As religious leaders representing diverse faith perspectives, united in our concern for the wellbeing of vulnerable migrants who cross our borders fleeing from danger and threats to their lives, we are deeply disappointed and pained to hear this news.

We affirm the family as a foundational societal structure to support human community and understand the household as an estate blessed by God. Tearing children away from parents who have made a dangerous journey to provide a safe and sufficient life for them is unnecessarily cruel and detrimental to the well-being of parents and children."

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry

Presiding Bishop Episcopal Church (United States)