



# THE TRUMPET

Your gateway to all things St. Michael's

FEBRUARY 9, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Dear St. Michael's family,

Fr. John and the rest of the ministry team are preparing a grace-filled Lenten season. The Sunday evening gathering schedule is here—wonderful speakers who each bring unique perspectives on the power of God's grace. Mark your calendars for fellowship—all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. These evenings are the perfect opportunity to invite friends and family to get to know what our community is all about.

On Tuesday, February 25, before we enter the solemn season, the youth group invites all to a Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. Laissez les bons temps rouler (let the good times roll) and join us for a fun-filled family evening!

The day following is, of course, Ash Wednesday. St. Michael's services are at 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 7:00 pm. We hope you are able to attend one of these in preparation for Lent. Look for information about more Lenten resources in upcoming issues of the Trumpet.

Have a prayerful and playful week,

Christine Havens  
Assistant for Administration  
and Communication

## St. Michael's Episcopal Church THE POWER OF GRACE

Sunday evenings in Lent  
5:00-6:45 pm

**5:00PM** Eventide Eucharist

**5:30PM** Dinner & Wine

**6:15 PM** Guest Speakers, Parish Hall

**March 1** The River of Grace

*The Rev. Jane Patterson, PhD*

**March 8** Grace and Self-Compassion

*Pittman McGehee, PhD*

**March 15** A Classical Theology of Grace

*The Rev. Bertie Pearson*

**March 22** Grace and Grief

*The Rev. Kelly Koonce*

**March 29** Grace-Full

*The Rev. Whitney Kirby*



**Pre-K - 8th grade formation in the Sanctuary at 6:15 pm**

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## NEWS THIS WEEK

**YOU'RE INVITED! CASA MARIANELLA PRESENTATION | FEBRUARY 9 | 10:10 AM | CHURCH OFFICE** Come learn about Casa Marianella and the amazing work they are doing with immigrants and refugees in Austin. The Outreach Commission is partnering with Casa Marianella to provide support and friendship to the residents who live there. Also, on **Sunday, February 16**, during Sunday School hour, the Outreach Commission will have its first Service Sunday of the year—putting together hygiene kits for the residents of Casa Marianella.

**SCOUT SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 9** After the **11:00 am service on Sunday, February 9**, the Scouts of Troop 30 want to thank St. Michael's and the congregation for sponsoring their troop by serving a variety of fruit cobblers. The youth's growth as contributing members of our community is enhanced with St. Michael's generous support. Additionally, the church's support allows Troop 30 to contribute directly to our community with hundreds of hours of service hours each year.

**ST. MICHAEL'S OUTREACH EVENT AT TRINITY CENTER | SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | DOWNTOWN AUSTIN** We will come together to share St. Michael's community worship and a meal with our neighbors experiencing homelessness at Trinity Center, downtown Austin, from 2:00 to 4:30. If you would like to volunteer we need help with welcoming neighbors, setting up for worship, being part of the kitchen crew, and clean up. Volunteers must be at least 11 years old. Contact Elizabeth Jackson ([ejackson68410@gmail.com](mailto:ejackson68410@gmail.com), text/call 512-784-5645) to sign up or if you have any questions. Our future date for St. Michael's Trinity outreach is May 3.

**INTERESTED IN BEING CONFIRMED? BISHOP'S VISIT & CONFIRMATIONS, SUNDAY, MARCH 29** If you're an adult curious about confirmation and taking a deeper step into St. Michael's, contact Fr. John at [jnewton@st-michaels.org](mailto:jnewton@st-michaels.org).

**GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY | MARCH 8** St. Michael's celebration of Girl Scout Sunday is on March 8. Please email the names and ages of current Girl Scouts and names of former Girl Scouts who would like to participate in the service to [jennifer.Austin.GS@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.Austin.GS@gmail.com). Girl Scout cookies will be served during coffee hour. The Girl Scouts' birthday is March 12, commemorated annually by a week-long celebration of the day in 1912 when Juliette Gordon Low officially registered the organization's first 18 girl members in Savannah, Georgia.

**ANNOUNCING JOINT MEN'S FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 1 WESSENDORF RANCH, BLANCO, TX** St Julian of Norwich and St Michael's have jointly organized a men's retreat for February 28-March 1—a long weekend of connection, community, communion, and fun. The retreat will be held at Well Spring Retreat Center at the Wessendorf Ranch outside Blanco, Texas. Fr. John will be leading a program called "The Power of Grace." For details, including directions and schedule, follow this [link](#). To register, click [here](#). To pay the \$90 fee (financial assistance available), use the [giving link](#) at the St Julian's website or contact Andy Hines at [ahines@hinespool.com](mailto:ahines@hinespool.com). You can also contact Andy with any questions.

**MICHAEL'S BOOK GROUP** The next meeting of the St. Michael's book group is **Wednesday, February 26, at 2:30 pm at Trianon**. We will discuss *Unsheltered*, by Barbara Kingsolver. Please join us! Contact Jackie King for more information: [jsking2010@yahoo.com](mailto:jsking2010@yahoo.com).

**REGISTER NOW FOR UNITED IN PRAYER DAY | SATURDAY, MARCH 21 | SEMINARY OF THE SOUTHWEST** You're invited to participate on March 21 in the 28th Annual Day of Prayer on the beautiful campus of Seminary of the Southwest. The day will include periods of Centering Prayer, a DVD from Contemplative Outreach, Lectio Divina, lunch, and most of all, an inspiring opportunity to be in community with Centering Prayer practitioners from all over central Texas. Don't miss this special day! Registration fee is \$25; you can register now at this [link](#). Contact Phyllis Blee at [phyllis@austin.rr.com](mailto:phyllis@austin.rr.com) for more info.

## FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AGES

### ADULTS

**RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES** Each of the four evangelists offer a unique take on who Jesus is and how his life, death, and resurrection have changed our world. Join us this fall as we tackle topics like discipleship, mission, mercy, healing, forgiveness, the church, our purpose in life, and the Kingdom of Heaven through John's eyes. The class is offered **Tuesdays, 12:00-1:00 pm, in Room 8, and Sundays, 10:10-10:50 am, in the parish hall.** Led by Fr. John Newton.

**SEEKERS' ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOK STUDY** The Seekers meet from 10:00-11:00 am, except on Taco Sundays. The group is now meeting in Room 6. The current book is *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*, by Rachel Held Evans. *The Divine Dance*, by Richard Rohr, is the selection following that. Invite your friends for these great spiritual reads. Contact Phyllis Blee ( [phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com) ) for more information.

### CHILDREN

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE:** Regular classes in the education wing at 10:10 am.

**CHILDREN'S CHAPEL CHILDREN** pre-K through 3rd grade are invited to Children's Chapel, where we read the same scriptures as "big church," learn prayers, and sing songs. Children in 4th & 5th grade are welcome, too. We rejoice the congregation during the Peace.

**WORSHIP BAGS** are available in the narthex, as well as in the Gathering Room, the place you can have wiggle room for the little ones, hear the service, and have some coffee.

Kids can **LOOK FOR OUR CHURCH MOUSE DURING WORSHIP.** If they tell Family Minister Lizzie after church where they spotted the mouse, she will give them a sticker!

### STUDENTS

**SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:10 AM, MAIN CHURCH OFFICE**

**EYC (EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY)** This Sunday is the Guys' and Girls' Gathering 4:30-6:00 pm

**TRINITY CENTER SERVICE DAY | SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | 2 - 4:30 PM** We will be partnering with a team of volunteers from St. Michael's to help serve lunch and play tabletop games with the people we are serving. For more information about the Trinity Center, visit <http://trinitycenteraustin.org/>. RSVP to Luis at [lrvivas@st-michaels.org](mailto:lrvivas@st-michaels.org).

**MARDI GRAS PANCAKE DINNER | TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 | 6:00 PM** Would you like to help flip pancakes for our Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner? St. Michael's students interested in helping to cook and serve can contact Luis at [lrvivas@st-michaels.org](mailto:lrvivas@st-michaels.org) for more details.

**HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT CAMP ALLEN?** Camp Allen is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Camp Allen honors God and enriches lives by being a year-round gathering place for all ages, offering Christian hospitality amidst 1,100 forested acres, and striving for excellence in facilities, service, and programs.

One of Camp Allen's offerings for young people is a Summer Camp program featuring week-long residential camp sessions for ages 8-18. Camp Allen is the largest Episcopal summer camp program in the nation and welcomes 2,000 campers annually. The heart of Camp Allen has been to love God and make Him known, and they have cultivated a staff model that love by facilitating fun opportunities for authentic friendships in a Christ-centered community. If you are interested in looking at sessions, registration, or more information, follow this link to their website: <https://www.campallen.org/summercamp.html>.

Students in High School can also sign up to serve as volunteer counselors during the J. High and Middle School sessions. For more info, check this link: <https://www.campallen.org/campstaff.html>.

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## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

*Flowers this week are given to the Glory of God.*

A donation to the St. Michael's flower fund is a beautiful way to honor your loved ones, or to mark a special occasion. Donation envelopes are available in the narthex, or you may email Christine Havens directly ([chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org)). Please note "flowers" on the memo line of your check. Place the envelope in the alms basin, hand your envelope to the vestry person of the day, or give to the rector. You can also donate online by going to our [Give](#) page and clicking the "Give Online Here" button. There is a flower option in the "Select a fund" drop-down box, with a place to write a memo or dedication.

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## **THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS**

This week, we pray especially for Michael and Mary Reeves, for Brin and her family, and for the Episcopal Diocese of Texas during Council weekend in Waco.

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## **WEEKLY PRAYER SERVICES**

### **Morning Prayer**

Every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Worship Space. For more information, contact Gail Reid ([reid.gail@gmail.com](mailto:reid.gail@gmail.com)).

### **Centering Prayer—New Time!**

Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the side chapel. For more information contact Phyllis Bles ([phyllis.blees@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.blees@gmail.com)).

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## **THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send it to Christine ([chavens@st-michaels.org](mailto:chavens@st-michaels.org)) by 12:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the date you would like your announcement to appear in the Trumpet.

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## **READINGS, FEBRUARY 9, 2020**

Isaiah 58:1-9a; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20;  
Psalm 112:1-9

*Didn't bring cash?*

*Text SMEC1500 to 73256 and follow the prompts to make an e-offering.*