

THE TRUMPET

An instrument of good news for the community

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

ST. MICHAEL'S DAY

YOU'RE INVITED!

What a great way to celebrate the arrival of fall!

St. Michael's Day is also the official kick off of the Family Ministry's Fourth Sunday 4 families. You can see all the fun activities planned for the day! PLUS Andy Hines has a special coffee hour in store, too.

Then, on October 3, we have Taco Sunday and an afternoon pet blessing to look forward to!

Check inside for details about an upcoming youth event.

So much good news happening in our community!

—Christine Havens,
Assistant for Communication
& Admin

ST. MICHAEL'S DAY 2021

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26

Join us for Fourth Sunday 4 families activities
between the 9am & 11am services

Exotic Petting Zoo!



Lunch + Mini-Golf!



- 6th-12th grade
- after 11 am service
- \$10, includes lunch
- parents welcome

Pet Food Drive!



- Dog/cat treats
- Canned/dry food



Save the Date!

Next Fourth Sunday is October 24

NOTES

Successful Refugee Services Drive For two weeks, St. Michael's collected commodities for Afghan refugees. The narthex table was full of baskets overflowing with the generosity of the parish. Harriet Choffel spread the word before and after services and Annie Wilson, Gail Reid, and Karen Haslund loaded the gifts up. Annie and Karen then delivered over 25 bags of toothbrushes, shampoo, cleaning supplies, and about 15 boxes and large bags of diapers, feminine supplies, and other practical items to Refugee Services of Texas (RST), who were very appreciative. 120 families have been settled in Austin, and more are arriving. They were so grateful for the practical things that not everybody remembers are needed to start a household. RST and the SMEC Outreach Commission offer a heartfelt thank you for your extravagant generosity.

**st. francis day
pet blessing**

SUNDAY, OCT. 3
4:00 PM

*Bring your pet(s) and help us keep the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi!
Blessings and goodies for your beloved companions in the courtyard.*

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Pet Food Drive for Austin Animal Center
Dog/cat treats
Canned/dry food

St. Michael's
Episcopal Church

Save the Date—Six Flags Youth Trip! On Saturday, October 23, youth in 6th and up are invited to a trip to Six Flags! The group will depart from St. Michael's at 1:00 pm and return to campus at 12:00 am. \$50 (scholarships available), which includes park admission, dinner, snack, and drinks. Contact Family Minister Amanda at amanda@st-michaels.org or Student Minister Michael at mwiggin@st-michaels.org for more information or to register.

A Ritual of Grief | October 17, 24, November 7, and 14 | 5:00 - 6:30 pm | Lakeway Church Fellowship Building, Rm 208, 2203 Lakeway Boulevard, 78734 | by Dr. Gena St. David, Director of the Loise Henderson Wessendorff Center for Christian Ministry and Vocation One way we can be present to one another's grief in this time of change and loss is by gathering for a simple ritual in four movements: Sadness, Anger, Light, and Thanksgiving. The people of St. Michael's are invited to gather together with our brothers and sisters in Christ four times, that we might move through each of these four movements in community. For more information contact Paul Johnson, Vicar of the Episcopal Church of the Cross, at 512-695-2803 or paul@ecclt.org.

Episcopal Church Women (ECW) EDOT Farewell Retreat The Episcopal Diocese of Texas invites women of all ages to the historic Farewell ECW Retreat for Women October 15-17, 2021 at Camp Allen in Navasota, Texas. Please register by using this link: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=d4ovk7rab&oeidk=a07eiixjvpddfbcaa4c>.

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Rector's Bible Study: Paul's Letter to the Romans

Join Fr. John Newton this fall and take a deep dive into this literary and theological masterpiece!

100% ZOOM

Tuesdays at Noon August-December
Sundays at 12:45pm August-December

ZOOM INFO

Meeting ID: 842 9031 0446
Passcode: 582175

FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

Seekers Book Group The Seekers are currently reading *Mary Magdalene Revealed: The First Apostle, Her Feminist Gospel & the Christianity We Haven't Tried Yet* by Meggan Watterson, a WSJ bestseller about the gospel attributed to Mary and about her role in Christian tradition. The group meets at **12:00 pm each Sunday** and all are welcome. *Interested in joining the group?* Contact Phyllis Blees at phyllis.blees@gmail.com for more info. Here's the book group Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjIVU3YyZz09>, Passcode: 541706.

St. Michael's Women's Virtual Potluck The SMEC Women's Virtual Potluck group is now gathering at 6:00 pm on the first Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday. All women of the parish are invited—bring a friend! *The next meeting is September 13 via Zoom.* Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019837778?pwd=SGRmQXhoYlIXSUZCZEkrL0hMdFhldz09>; passcode is 242636.

St. Michael's Book Club Looking for fellowship and conversation? Love reading? Join the SMEC Book Club! The group meets on September 29 to discuss *The Library Book*, by master nonfictionist, Susan Orlean. Please email Rhoda Silverberg at rmorrillsilverberg@icloud.com for more information and for the Zoom link.

Morning Prayer: Tuesdays @9:00 am You're invited to Morning Prayer each Tuesday morning at 9:00 am. Please note the Zoom link and passcode: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81346686555?pwd=MHFKdmlwWXRnZlVZM2tlb04wUUVhUT09>. **Passcode:** prayer.

Rector's Bible Study—Paul's Letter to the Romans: Tuesdays @noon; Sundays @12:45 pm Join Fr. John Newton this fall and take a deep dive into this literary and theological masterpiece. Zoom info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84290310446?pwd=WG1iK0t6WFVITjdNVTYyTk41S29yZz09> Meeting ID: 842 9031 0446 Passcode: 582175

Centering Prayer: Tuesdays @6:30 pm This ministry is available every Tuesday night at 6:30 pm. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/158321072?pwd=SE9Zc0hscE13REM1U1lWYjIVU3YyZz09>; passcode: 541706. Please email Phyllis Blees with questions: phyllis.blees@gmail.com. For more about contemplative prayer, click this link: [Heart of Texas Contemplative Outreach](#).

Evening Prayer: Wednesdays @4:30 pm Each Wednesday at 4:30 pm. Use Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88082768969> and passcode 826364.

Thursday Afternoon Bible Study @1:00 pm This informal group discusses the Daily Office readings—drop in anytime! Led by Mary Healy, mary.r.healy@gmail.com. Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87035409217?pwd=b3RVWmJwOGFRTHgvK0dXMTB3UEM0Zz09>. Meeting ID: 870 3540 9217. Use this passcode: biblestudy.

FAMILIES & STUDENTS

Amanda Evans Lang, family minister, and Michael Wiggin, student minister, invite you to check out the [Family Ministry](#) and [Student Ministry](#) pages on the St. Michael's website for updates and activities to enrich your spiritual life. Please email with questions at amanda@st-michaels.org.

Hilltop Kids Sunday School Children 5th grade and younger are invited each Sunday at the 9:00 & 11:00 am services to learn Bible stories and do fun projects. The Family Ministry team will be outside to greet them and lead them into the education wing. They'll rejoin their parents in the sanctuary at the announcements. Youth are welcome to join, too!

Family Ministry Volunteers Needed! Family Minister Amanda is looking for some volunteers to help with prep work. If you enjoy being crafty, helping with tasks like mailing postcards and organizing supplies, and are available during the week, please contact her at amanda@st-michaels.org.

MINISTRIES

Stephen Ministry Would you like a caring person to be with you steadfastly, in and through a hard time in your life? Consider asking for a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministry is a free, confidential program that provides Christian care to hurting people with our congregation and surrounding community. Learn more at www.st-michaels.org/stephen-ministry. If you'd like a Stephen Minister, please contact Jeff Robinson (jarobinson100@gmail.com), Julie de Wette (julie@losmadrone.com), or Fr. John Newton (jnewton@st-michaels.org).

Altar Guild The Altar Guild is always looking for women and men to join this ministry. This group makes sure that the sanctuary is clean and readied for services and other liturgical events that happen at St. Michael's. If you are interested in serving or for more information, please contact Gail Reid at reid.gail@gmail.com.

DAY SCHOOL PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

The Puppies class made rainbows this week and enjoyed the lovely fall weather at a picnic.

A big thanks to Teacher Nicole for these photos.



THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

Please email Christine Havens at chavens@st-michaels.org with prayer requests or to receive the weekly Prayer Chain emails.

Parish Prayer List

For Glen Reid as he recovers from surgery.

For Hen Kennedy & Adam Varner, who welcomed a newborn daughter, Lily; for Grace & Luke, her siblings.

For healing for Luke Mayhew, who has a torn esophagus, and for a good long-term treatment plan for esophageal issues.

For healing and hope for Michelle Kim, whose breast cancer has spread from liver and bones to brain.

For healing and treatment for Julie Chapman, who continues to fight breast cancer in her liver.

For all victims of gun violence.

COVID-19

For all children and teachers during this unexpected style of attending school.

For all who struggle with loneliness and isolation.

For all those living in eldercare facilities, and for the staff, and for their families.

For all those without employment at this time.

All of our hospital and healthcare workers, including Rosa, J'aime, and Patty, who are keeping healthcare services running.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, San Augustine; Holy Trinity, Port Neches

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church

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ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God. Sponsoring altar flowers is a wonderful way to honor loved ones or celebrate an occasion. Dedications can be emailed to: chavens@st-michaels.org. Your donation can be mailed to the church office or given via the "Give" page of our website: <https://www.st-michaels.org/take-action>.

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Genesis 28:10-17
Revelation 12:7-12
John 1:47-51
Psalm 103 or 103:19-22

FOLLOW ST. MICHAEL'S ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: @St.Michaels.Austin
Instagram: stmichaels_atx
Twitter: StMichaelsEpiscopal @StMichaelsATX

CONNECT TO THE WIDER CHURCH

Episcopal Diocese of Texas (EDOT): www.epicenter.org
The Episcopal Church (TEC): www.episcopalchurch.org

THE TRUMPET SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Have a submission for the Trumpet? Please send your ideas, stories, or photos to Christine Havens, Communications Assistant, (chavens@st-michaels.org) by 12:00 pm on Wednesdays.

*Your extravagant generosity is appreciated.
Text SMEC1500 to 73256 and follow the prompts to make an e-offering.*