

The Sword April 20, 2023

St. Michael's Weekly News & Updates



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Time to update your info!

In the spirit of spring cleaning, we're updating our member database so that can have more accurate records and better serve our parishioners. Click the link below to go to the member update form where you can fill out your information, along with that of any of your other household family members. We only require the name and date of birth, but any additional information you can provide would be appreciated!

Member Update Form

Upcoming Photo Directory

We are also working on a new photo directory for our members! We aim to have a draft ready and printed by mid-May so that we have time for corrections and updates for our final version which we plan to release mid-Summer. Photos are not required, but since it will be a photo directory, we do encourage you to provide one. The directory uses one photo for the member entry, so families should submit a group photo if more than one person wants to be included. Photos can be uploaded in the member update form linked above.

A Note from Deacon Tim Tim Murray tmurray@stmichaelsbarrington.org



Please enjoy a video presentation of a daily reflection from Richard Rohr's Center for Action and Contemplation using the link below.

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A Note from our Sunday School Director Kim Curtis kcurtis@stmichaelsbarrington.org



Recently, I had a conversation with Kay Lewis about the Sunday School's Bridge

class. These are our 3rd to 5th grade children. We discussed the transition for the age appropriate group next year, youth Sunday, May 7th as well as my urge to teach the Sunday school more about Jesus' Parables. Having said that, I thought now and over the summer we could incorporate the Parables into our lessons. Jesus often turned to parables to communicate the deep spiritual messages he was trying to convey. I can't wait to start these supplemental lessons with the children. I will be able to send home weekly the specific parable to the parents. This way if your family does not attend Church every Sunday during the summer, you can still facilitate an AT HOME church discussion.

Below are some upcoming dates for future planning:

May 7th is Youth Sunday and the Bell Choir will be playing. The kids will be singing as well. Kay will direct us on Sunday School kid involvement.

May 14th Mother's Day (will have something planned like flowers or TBD)

May 29th is Pentecost we will have a ladybug craft and ice cream truck after church outside. Hotdogs will be grilled and a jazz trio again.

No Sunday School June 4th
No Sunday School June 11th
Yes to Sunday School on June 18th Father's Day

No Sunday School July 2nd

Start of Summer Sunday School - July 9th

VBS is the last week of July (Monday - Thursday 10am - 12:30pm)

September 10th is kick off Sunday

LIFT



Jr. & Sr. LIFT meets EVERY Sunday morning - 9:00 a.m. Sturtz House

LIFT Schedule

Upcoming Events

Communion Bread Baking Saturday, April 23, 11:15 am

Anyone interested in learning how to make communion bread, or those who already know, please join in on Sunday April 23, right after the 10:00am service in the kitchen. Due



to a freezer mishap at church, we need to replenish our stock of communion bread. If you have an extra rolling pin, please bring it!

Any questions, please contact Mary Ann Seagrist at seagrist5@comcast.net, 847-212-4218 Or Amy Hoff at ahoff9032@gmail.com, 281-793-4137



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 28

Please join us for the ladybug release, hot dogs, and ice cream on Pentecost Sunday!

We will be serving hot dogs; the ice cream will be self-pay. We will be ready to serve starting at 11:15 AM. We hope to see you there!



Youth Sunday

Join us for Youth Sunday on May 7.

St. Michael's 75th Anniversary Lindsay Taylor, Senior Warden

I am excited to write to you all this week about 75th Anniversary festivities at St. Michael's Episcopal Church this fall! (Yaaaaay! Party! Woo!) There will be a series of events, including:

- A kickoff Sunday potluck on September 10 (fire up your Crock Pots!)
- A formal event on Saturday, September 30
- A St. Michael's Sunday after-church reception on October 1

An annual meeting luncheon on February 4

NOTE: When this schedule was posted last week it included an error regarding the October date, the date above is correct.

These events will be sure to offer many opportunities to use your special skills and gifts to be a part of the planning and execution of these exciting celebrations. While I am sure everyone at St. Michael's will be involved, I am sharing an initial opportunity to sign up to express interest in volunteering.

If you are interested in volunteering your time and skills to making the 75th anniversary of St. Michael's the best it can be, please share your information at the following sign-up link: St. Michael's 75 Anniversary Events Volunteers Sign-Up

Announcements

April 13 and April 25 programs on Resurrection Hope

Please accept the invitation of Bishop Paula Clark, the **Peace and Justice Committee**, and the **Antiracism Commission** of the Diocese to participate in two diocesan-wide online discussions as a part of the "One Book, One Diocese" discussion of the book **Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter** by **the Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas**. They will take place on Zoom:

- from 7 to 9 pm on Zoom on Thursday April 13 (Please register here to attend).
 And
- from On 7 to 9 on Tuesday April 25 (Please register here to attend.)

The author, the **Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas** will join the April 25 discussion to speak to the Diocese of Chicago about the book.

Congratulations to Juliet Duncan!

Dear St. Michaels!

As you may or may not know, I have been working towards becoming a nurse since 2017 (prerequisites). I was accepted into the nursing program at ECC in February 2020 to be in the Fall 2020 cohort. I was elated! My lifelong dream could become a reality! After MANY bumps in the road, including the death of 7 people, including my dad, and being delayed by a year to graduate, I FINALLY made it! I will be graduating on May 20th and will be hosting a graduation party on Sunday June 4th from noon until 6pm. You can come and go as you please. The location is at Lord's Park in Elgin: East Shelter: 325 Hiawatha Drive, Elgin, IL 60120. We will be grilling burgers and hot dogs. There will be sides, chips, pop/juice, desserts, cake etc. If you feel so inclined, you may bring a dish to share (but do not feel obligated). I hope you will be able to come celebrate this momentous occasion with us! If you have any questions, my email is: Juliet2384@gmail.com.





Rebuilding Together: Leticia's Home in Blue Island

We are very grateful for the generous team of volunteers who will work on April 29th to spruce up Leticia's home. For those of us who can't volunteer, there is still an important way we can be part of St. Michael's effort to support Leticia and her 3 sons--purchase supplies and gift cards for home supplies.

Items needed are queen and twin bed sheets, bath and hand towels, cleaning supplies, toiletries and storage bins. She also shops at ALDI, so gift cards are a welcome donation.

In order to have the right amount of items, please sign up on the Sign up genius link below.

If you wish to purchase via Amazon, please use the Amazon link below.

Bring your generous donations to the green wagons near the community room prior to April 23, and the volunteers will deliver to Leticia and her family on April 29.

Sign up genius

Amazon List

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Birthdays

4/25 Cindy Neff 4/27 Carolyn Schaefer 4/29 Tina Summerfield

Anniversaries

4/24 Christina and Robert Robbins 4/25 Judy and Bill Heinrich 4/25 Lynn and Forest Mayberry

In Loving Memory

4/24 David Capulli

4/25 Aileen Greenberg 4/26 Margaret Linde 4/26 Angus Ray 4/26 Patricia Kean 4/27 Dorothy Duffy Louis McMahon Theodore Nicholas Vanderent

Prayer Requests

Juliana, the Vanderent family, Sadie, Roberta, Janet, Barb, Leslie, the McMahan and Perkins families, Bill, Jackson, Jack, Cliff, Sharon, Allison, Maelyn, and Conner, Cindy, Art, Ann, Dave, Phyllis, Cameron, Maribeth, Pat, Ruth, Brian, Ted, Barb and Steve, Patty, and Amy.

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