



ST MICHAEL'S
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A Note From Our Rector

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Wars and rumors of wars... I will admit the news is harder to watch and read lately, with a constant feed announcing more war and violence in our world. Hamas and Israel this week, combined with the almost year and a half war between Ukraine and Russia, adds to the bloodshed and the worldwide fear of instability. Even across the globe and with oceans in between us, we too feel the anxiety and the worry. I am the first to admit that I understand very little of the politics and history that has led to these conflicts, and it seems impossible to reduce that history and these situations to simple, binary labels of villain/aggressor and victim/hero. Yet my heart goes out to the majority people living in these countries who have their lives turned upside down by the decisions of a few. I worry that, as it has been for thousands of years, the violence chosen today only plants the seeds for violence tomorrow. I remember a quote from Martin Luther King:

"The ultimate weakness of violence is that it is a descending spiral begetting the very thing it seeks to destroy, instead of diminishing evil, it multiplies it. Through violence you may murder the liar, but you cannot murder the lie, nor establish the truth. Through violence you may murder the hater, but you do not murder hate. In fact, violence merely increases hate. Returning violence for violence multiplies violence, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." (Martin Luther King Jr. (1967). *Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?*. p. 67.)

As a follower of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, I invite your prayers that peace may dawn in our hearts and in our world soon. That both aggression and retaliation may cease. That along with God our creator and Redeemer, we may continue the good work of Peace and Justice once again. Good Lord, Hear us.
Jesse+

A Note from our Sunday School Director

Kim Curtis

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Join us for hot dogs and trick-or-treating on Halloween.

We hope to see you there!

Music Ministry



All Souls Requiem Mass

November 5th, 6:30pm, St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 647 Dundee Ave, Barrington, IL 60010

This peaceful evening mass provides a place to remember departed loved ones, to sit with our grief, and receive hope and comfort through music, prayer, and scripture. The joint choirs of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Salem Methodist Church, and Atonement Lutheran will be singing movements from Gabriel Fauré's Requiem Mass setting, accompanied by string ensemble and organ.

Questions, Please contact Sara Torbeck, Music Director.

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Please click on the link below to list names of departed loved ones that you would like read and prayed over during our All Soul's Requiem Mass.

<https://forms.gle/9btKQbkMhMh2KRAc9>

Community Events:

Chicago Master Singers opens its 45th annual season with **Baroque Splendor** on Saturday, October 28 at 7:30pm and Sunday, October 29 at 3:00pm.

Three brilliant works will be featured: J.S. Bach's Magnificat, Handel's Dixit Dominus, and Vivaldi's Beatus Vir. The chorus, led by Music Director John C. Hughes, is joined by the Metropolis Symphony Orchestra and professional soloists.

Our Music Director, **Sara Torbeck** along with several of our volunteer bell choir members perform with this Choir!

Also upcoming, their Christmas concerts will take place December 9 and 10th and often sell out so get your tickets early!

All concerts are performed at

Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street in Glenview, Illinois

For tickets and information, please click here:

<https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/chicagomastersingerstickets/1978>

LIFT



FROM THE LIFT LEADER'S DESK

SENIOR LIFT NIGHT - THIS SUNDAY, OCT 15, 6:00-7:30 P.M.



Hey high schoolers, come on out for our First Senior LIFT Night this Sunday. As always, there's great food, a fun game, and the fire-pit warms up the body and the conversation (weather-permitting). *Friends are welcome and Encouraged!*

Parents, please let Miss Kay know by Sat. Morning 10/14 so our wonderful cooks can plan the meal.

Peace, Kay Lewis
LIFT Leader
847-909-8374

LIFT Schedule

Upcoming Events



The CROP Hunger Walk is this Sunday! Please walk with us and/or donate at crophungerwalk.org (search for St. Michael's under teams). Register with our team captain, Liz Gabis (lizgabis@mac.com ; 847-917-2920). See more information below.

October 15, 2023 at 1pm - 41st Annual Barrington Area CROP hunger walk

Join the St. Michael's team for the 41st annual CROP Hunger Walk on Oct 15, 2023 at 1pm. We are walking through the Village of Barrington to raise awareness and funds to fight hunger. You can choose a 1-mile or 5-mile route, or you can cheer on the walkers from the front of St. Michael's and pass out water. You can also make a donation online at crophungerwalk.org, and then search St. Michael's under team names. Liz Gabis is our team captain and you can reach out to her with any questions (lizgabis@mac.com ; 847-917-2920). Money raised by CROP Hunger Walks nationwide provides food, medical care, disaster relief and self-help development for needy people in our community and around the world. .



Oktoberfest

October 21, 4pm

Oktoberfest returns! Please join us for appetizers, brats, hot dogs, sides and dessert.

Singles \$15
Couples \$20
Families \$ 25

Sign up via the form by the community room.



Halloween Event

October 31, 4-7 PM

Join us for hot dogs and trick-or-treating.

Announcements

Peace and Justice Announcement

As a Sanctuary Diocese we have resolved that our congregations and institutions would strive to serve as places of welcome, refuge, healing, and other forms of material and pastoral support for those targeted by hate due to immigration status or some perceived status of difference, and to work alongside our friends, families, and neighbors to ensure the dignity and human rights of all people. Please join in this "[Call to action](#)" so that we can provide our newly arriving brothers and sisters with the means by which they can live in the Chicago metro area with dignity and respect.

The situation has become very dire. This is a humanitarian crisis, with eight buses arriving every day the week of September 24. If anyone in our congregation has access to housing that they are willing to share with newly-arrived immigrants, please let Ellen Lindeen (peacellen123@gmail.com) or Father Jesse know. If you own an apartment building and one apartment is unoccupied, the Peace & Justice Committee would work to furnish it. If you have an apartment in your home that is not being used, would you share it? At this point we are looking for shelter for 3 to 6 months. If you feel called to this work and want to donate money instead, we could rent a place. Please consider helping in any way you can. Please pray. Please read the "Call to Action" and contact the leaders and representatives who are making

decisions about this matter. Many thanks for your consideration and prayers.

Autumn Soiree Episcopal Charities Fundraiser



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Birthdays

10/16 Frederick Eaton
10/16 Frank Cesario
10/16 Abraham Holtermann
10/17 Kathy Randolph
10/18 Barbara Harris
10/19 Ellen Lindeen
10/20 Jim Blair
10/20 John Yerger

Anniversaries

10/18 Carol and John Schmidt
10/20 Whitney and Carter Brett

In Loving Memory

10/17 Eileen Owen
10/17 Elizabeth Strouse
10/17 Frederick Cole
10/17 Priscilla Marsh
10/19 Charles Cormier
10/20 Robert Sieb
10/21 Margaret Ford
Rollo Nessel

Prayer Requests

The Nessel family, Joe, Sharon, Danielle, Marti, David, Andy, Jeff, Marilyn and Pat, Cayden, Sadie, Cindy, Dave, Phyllis, Cameron, Maribeth, Ruth, Brian, Barb and Steve, Patty, and Amy.

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The Sword

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