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Desserts will be served after the meeting at an Open House at the Rectory.

Childcare, lunch and activities for elementary school children will be offered during the meeting downstairs in the undercroft. Contact [Julie Allord](#) with questions or needs.

Annual Meeting Materials:

(a few hard copies will be available at the meeting)

[Click here](#) for Annual Meeting Financial Statements.

[Click here](#) for Annual Ministry Report Booklet including Nomination Slate with bios.



St. Michael's

Worship Times Sundays

8:00 a.m. Rite I
10:00 a.m. Rite II
Coffee & Fellowship after each service.

For additional service information, events and activities, please visit our website by [clicking here](#).

Church School



From Our Rector

The Rev. Jesse Perkins

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So many things around this church are done by people who are rarely seen or acknowledged. I believe that is true for any active, healthy parish where its members care greatly about the church, and it is certainly true here at St. Michael's. Unlike most of these events and activities, I was made aware of one last week involving the cleaning of our Library room, and I would like to add my thanks to the ladies on the altar guild to took the extra time on Saturday to clean that room and make it more hospitable to our guests. Throughout the week, many people use that room: it is used for funerals, weddings, ministry meetings, Bible study, and the occasional vestry meeting. I want to thank Ann Ryba, Jane Hyla, Vicki Ridges, Judie Buckley, Kerry Kean, and Jean Gale for their care of our facilities (and if I have missed any, please know I am appreciative). I need your help in keeping it welcoming and clean: if you

Schedule

Children ages 3 through 5th grade:

9:45 drop-off.

Church school for children ages 3 thru 5th grade starts promptly at 10am in the lower level classrooms. They will join their families in time for communion.

Nursery (infants and children up to 3 years old) is available downstairs from 9:30am through the 10am service.

Junior High

9:00am ~ Junior High meet in St. Michael's library & join the service at 10am (or earlier if serving).

Senior High

9:00am ~ Senior High gather at the Sturtz House & join the service at 10am (or earlier if serving).

setup, please also cleanup. In our current staff configuration, we do not have a daily cleaning for our church rooms, so the regular ongoing upkeep falls upon us. Thank you for all the care and love you give our facilities, and in turn show a welcoming spirit to our guests.

My time and energy has been completely focused on our annual meeting coming up this Sunday following the 10:00 a.m. service. As you probably read last week, we have some budget discussions before us, as well as our regular vestry and diocesan convention elections. There is one wrinkle that I need you help with: after the 20 days deadline for the vestry slate we realized that we had one more seat opening up this year that would be a 1 year term. We have a volunteer, Renee Buxton, who is willing to serve that one year term. According to our bylaws, she will need to be nominated by three people on the floor of annual meeting to be added to the slate. Once that is done, the slate is complete and we can vote by the raising of hands instead of paper ballots. However, if there are others you wish to nominate from the



floor, remember it takes three voting members to concur to add someone to the ballot during annual meeting, and with additional names we will print a ballot and vote that way (instead of raising hands), with the candidates receiving the most votes taking the full terms.

I know it's complicated... I've been rereading those bylaws all week to make sure we are doing it the right way. It is kind of like a puzzle where you have to figure out how all of the pieces fit together! If you're interested, you can read the by-laws instead of counting sheep by going to the Members section of our website (<http://www.stmichaelsbarrington.org/members>).

See you at the meeting!
Jesse+



From Our Curate

The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon

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Next week, I'll be on vacation, and earlier this week, I got an email from the company with whom I booked my trip. The headline was:

Quick Links



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Longest. Week. Ever.

It made me laugh, but it also made me think.

I'm sure we've all had those weeks-the ones that seem to never end. Maybe because we're super busy, preparing for... I don't know... say, an Annual Meeting? Or maybe because we don't have enough to do, and next week is something really exciting.

Whatever it is, we can probably all agree that time is a weird and inexplicable thing. Yes, there are 60 seconds in a minute and 60 minutes in an hour and 24 hours in a day, but sometimes those seconds must arbitrarily change length! That seems to be the only explanation for why time stands still for some people and rapidly passes by for others.

In Peace Corps, I used to say that it was the fastest time would ever stand still. Sometimes, in a week, I would feel like it was Friday, but it was only Tuesday, while simultaneously feeling like I just got to my country of service, but really I had been there six months.

However time is treating you this week, I hope you are ready for a relaxing weekend and a productive Annual Meeting. Don't forget, St. Michael's is your community, and your voice is needed to make it successful.

Lift Living in **Lot's of News for our**
faith together **Jr./Sr. High Students!**

Paint Your Heart Out

This Sunday, **January 28, at 9:00 a.m.**, the youth will gather in the Conference Room for a painting activity. Ms. Heidi will lead the activity, which involves painting hearts with acrylics on canvas. Once the paintings are done, we will create a wall mural of your beautiful and creative work.

Jr./Sr. LIFT Meal-Movie-Game Night

Please join us on Friday, **February 2, 6:00 p.m.** at the Chan's house for this fun evening. Please RSVP by 1/31 to Donna BrooksDonnaBrooksMusician@gmail.com. or 224-623-1527. Click [here](#) for more information.

Mission Trip Update and Action

Last Sunday, teens and parents gathered to talk about Mission Trip options for this coming summer. [Please click here](#) for the handout used to facilitate discussion.

We are considering three options:

- Local, in downtown Chicago (social justice and urban development)
- National, in Houston, Texas (hurricane relief)
- International, in Guatemala (rural development)

Each trip requires a different level of commitment for both time and money. If you/your teen is interested in going on a mission trip this summer, please **confirm your interest to youth@stmichaelsbarrington.org by February 1.**

Any questions can also be directed to any of the [youth leaders](#) or to [Mother Lisa](#).

The Youth Advisory Committee wants to make the youth ministry here something for all teens, but we need your input. If you/your teen is not interested in mission work this year, please let us know, too. This would offer a great opportunity to discuss what other activities might be of more interest.

Little Red Wagon



Barrington Food Pantry is our aim for January. It serves mostly senior citizens. Their requests are mostly basic foods: ketchup, mayo, cooking oil, chicken broth, crackers, green tea, decaf coffee, bar soap. Thank you.

Authors Needed for Lenten Devotional Book

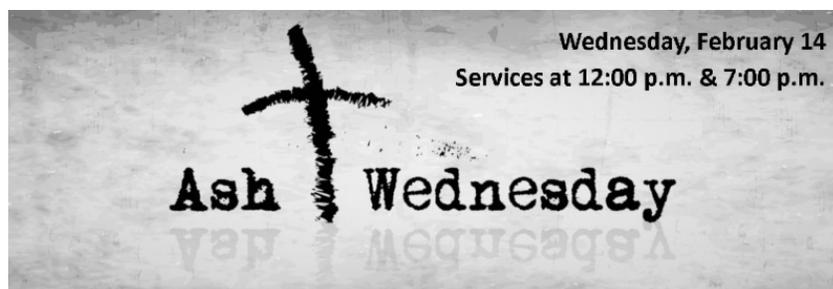
The Healing Prayer Ministry is crafting a booklet of short prayers to be used by those wishing to pray each day during Lent, perhaps considering this a Lenten discipline to undertake. Each day's prayer is based on a personal, community-oriented or world-oriented need, or a ministry need here at St. Michael's. Click [here](#) for full details.



Preparing for Lent



This was so much fun last year so please come again or come for the first time. Bring the entire family! [Click here](#).



We invite you to enter into a Holy Lent.

Adult Lenten Confirmation Class

If you are considering being confirmed as an adult, reaffirming your baptismal vows or simply interested in learning about the Episcopal Church, Fr. Jesse will be leading an Adult Lenten Confirmation Class. The classes will meet February 18 through March 18 at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. The classes will focus on worship, the Creed and church organization. Please email Fr. Jesse at jperkins@stmichaelsbarrington.org if you plan to participate or have any questions.

Save the Date: Lenten Study

Look for more information about a Lenten Study, led by Mother Lisa, on prayer. We will read a different theologian or scripture passage and discuss how prayer is reflected in the passage and how we can live into our own prayer lives.

Volunteers will be asked to provide a light supper each week.

Remembering This Week

Birthday

1.30

Justine Savage

1.31

Jay Younger

Liam Nance

2.2

Florence Compton

2.3

James Dillon

Anniversaries

2.2

Patti & Jeff Cross

Rest in Peace

1.28

Edwin Tukey

1.29

Patricia Magnuson

Bishop of Maridi elected to lead the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

The Bishop of Maridi, Justin Badi Arama, has been elected as the new Primate and Archbishop of the Church of South Sudan in a very-tight election. Click [here](#) to read entire story.



Little Angels Preschool Registration 2018/19

Registration for in house/alumni/church members begins

1.30
Alice Peto
Albert Lockett
2.1
Clara Penney

January 16. Registration for the community begins January 29. Please contact Caren Hunter at 847-381-5490 or chunter@stmichaelsbarrington.org.

In The Parish Family

Those who have asked for our prayers: Dot, Dean, Cindee & mother, the Franczyk family, the Hackman family, the Ventimiglia family, Julie & family, Madeline, Nancy D., John, Catherine, Ann, Vicki, Nathan & Kallyn, Millie, Laurie, Ted, Christina, Barb & Steve, Patty, Phyllis, Jean, Amy.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Bishop Anderson House Spiritual Care Visitor Program

2018: This program equips students with basic skills necessary for compassionate care, and provides self reflection and spiritual growth as a vital component of the coursework. It is a 10 week course beginning February 24 held locally at St. Simon Episcopal Church, Arlington Heights. Click [here](#) for questions and application process.



Sounds of Faith Interfaith Concert. January 28 at 4:00 p.m. Youth coming together for peace! Click [here](#) for more information.

"Parish Preparedness: What Happens After A Mass Shooting?" St. Augustine's Church, Wilmette, is hosting this evening to help us begin building a vocabulary around preparedness and action steps in the event a tragedy were to happen here. Mtr. Lisa is planning to attend and invites anyone else to join. [Read more.](#)

St. Michael's Vestry

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Leslie Yerger, Senior Warden; Wes Kimes, Junior Warden
Pat Kane, Marti Kahn, Lou Longo, Dolores Kampert, Bill Ferry, Ann Ross, Jim Stevens,
Rob Wisnowski, Greg Michaels, Lisa Farran, Tim Raynor, Deb Blohm
John Davis - Treasurer, Craig Anderson - Clerk
Hayden Harris, Youth Representative

Clergy and Staff

The Rev. Jesse Perkins, Rector; The Rev. Elizabeth (Betsy) Ward, Assisting Priest; The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon, Curate; The Rev. Laurie Michaels, Deacon; Caren Hunter, Director of Little Angels Preschool; Mark Sikkila, Organist & Director of Music; Sara Lloyd Torbeck,

Director of Children's Music; Ric Lindeen, Jr/Sr High Youth Ministry; Julie Allord, Family Ministries; Kim Lessner, Parish Operations; Nancy Holmes, Parish Administrator/Rector's Assistant; Rich Hornickel, Sexton

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The Parish Office is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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The Sword

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