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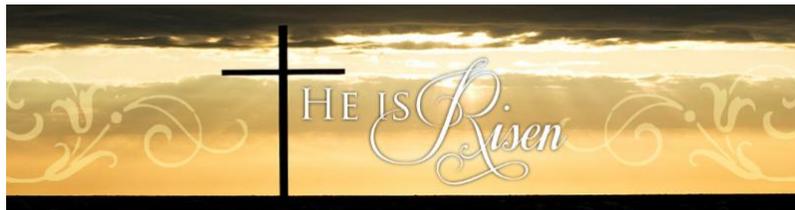
From Our Rector

The Rev. Jesse Perkins

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What a great Holy Week! Such a huge thank you to all who volunteered their time and their gifts to make this week such a great, amazing journey with Jesus through his death and resurrection. I am left with only gratitude, and I hope you have an amazing Eastertide. May God's light of resurrection shine in your hearts and lives.

See you in Church,
Jesse+



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 Schedule

*(Grades 6-12 will
still meet in the*



From Our Curate

The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon

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What a beautiful honor and blessing it was to serve with all of you last week, during my first Holy Week as an ordained priest! I could not have imagined a better week and more wonderful people with whom to witness and celebrate. Each service brought a unique experience, and I hope you click the links to enjoy a photo journey of St. Michael's Holy Week 2018.

On Wednesday, I sat in a pew, as [Taize](#) music washed over me. The choir sounded amazing; our musicians were truly talented; and it was a gift to sit in a pew during a worship service (perhaps my first time doing so at St. Michael's). It was an added treat to hear choir members as they read Scripture and Prayers (in addition to all the singing).

Sturtz House)

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).

At the [Maundy Thursday](#) service, I preached my first Triduum sermon and was moved in the servant ministry of washing feet. It was also a soul-wrenching experience to see the altar stripped, Jesse washing the stone, and the consecrated elements laid on the small altar in the garden of repose. I am proud of everyone who took time out of their night to sit and keep vigil that night too - thank you for doing what I could not do.

On Friday morning, I journeyed with the children for our [Walk through Holy Week](#). Sara, Tim, Dave, and Jenn led the children through the different experiences of Holy Week, ending with snacks and coloring Alleluias in anticipation of Easter. It was great to see the Passion narrative come to life for these children.

Then, the [Good Friday](#) services resembled the perfect starkness of what those dark days must have been like for the Apostles. And Jesse's sermon asked the perfect question, "What might have been?" had the story ended on Friday.

Thankfully, the story continues, and it was an absolute pleasure for me to preside and preach at Easter Vigil. Yes, I was terrified (large open flames do that to me), but the [Easter Vigil](#) is one of my favorite services - taking us through the whole narrative of salvation through Biblical history, reminding us of our own baptisms, and ending with an Easter Eucharist.

Finally, Sunday morning, [Easter Day](#), was sun-filled and "Son-filled" (see what I did there?), as we celebrated the Resurrection! I always love all the Easter outfits and the happy cheers of "Alleluia!" and this Sunday had all of that (plus a great Easter Egg Hunt between the services).

I hope everyone had a chance to join us for at least one of the Holy Week services, but even if you couldn't be here in person, I hope you enjoy the photomontages of each service. And mark your calendars now - Holy Week 2019 is only one year away! J

Guatemala Mission Trip Ready To Take Off

The morning of Saturday, April 7, Team Chicago will be departing again to Porch de Salomon for a week in Panajachel, Guatemala. We're on another mission to serve "the least, the lost, and the last of these," in the words of Porch de Salomon's motto. This will be the largest group from our congregation to



Quick Links



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Vestry Meeting
Summary
Mar. 19, 2018
Click [here](#).

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Click [here](#).

date; we have 16 travelers, 10 of whom are St. Michael's representatives.

As one of the leaders of this trip, **I am so very grateful** for the generosity of St. Michael's parishioners. We've done this a few times, and this time all expectations have been greatly exceeded! The mission and the people to whom which we go will benefit so much from your contributions, and I deeply appreciate what is being done in Christ's name in Guatemala by we the people of St. Michael's. Photos [here](#).

Please contact Dave Evans at 224-628-3654 or cyclothymic01@att.net if you'd like to learn more or contribute.

Lift Living in
faith together

Youth Advisory Committee

YAC

When you chair the Youth Advisory Committee and the meeting is on your birthday, you get a cupcake and serenaded by the rest of the team!

Happy Birthday Ric!



1: Calendar (attached [here](#))

With only two more months of Sunday School left, we have some exciting activities planned.

2: Night Watch Lock-In with Fr. Jesse

Friday, April 20 to Saturday, April 21

Join Fr. Jesse and teens from St. Luke's, Evanston, and St. Gregory's, Deerfield, for a Night Watch Lock-In. Gather here at St. Michael's at 5:00 p.m. on Friday; return here at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Enjoy a night of fun, prayer, and reflection, plus morning Eucharist on the Beach with Bishop Lee! **To reserve your spot**, please email youth@stmichaelsbarrington.org by Wednesday, April 18.

3. Mission Trip

Save the dates of Monday, July 23 through Thursday, July 26 for the Jr. and Sr. LIFT Mission Trip. We will be going to Miller Beach, IN, where we will work on several service projects, as well as have time for prayer and reflection and some good fun! This is open to anyone currently in 6th through 12th grade (for the 2017-2018 school year). Space

is limited, so **please reserve your spot now**, by emailing youth@stmichaelsbarrington.org (or confirming with [Kay Lewis](#) or [Mtr. Lisa](#)).

Exploring Sacred Music

Join us in the library on Sunday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m. for this last class in the series.

We will visit The Mystical Experience of God with Hildegard of Bingen. This audio and video sampler is open to all who love sacred music.



Cost is free, beverages provided, feel free to bring a light snack to share.



Announcing the formation of
**St. Michael's
Gardening Alliance**
Growing with Purpose

LAUNCH:

- Sunday, April 22, Earth Day

GOAL:

- Manage St. Michael's grounds for both beauty and bounty.

WHAT CHANGES:

- Expand ornamental flower beds to augment altar flowers.
- Establish small fruit orchard and vegetable gardens for benefit of local food pantries.
- Establish a network of St. Michael's gardeners to produce and distribute the bounty of our gardens.

HOW CAN I HELP:

- **Support** the Gardening Alliance **Plant Sale (May 26, 27)**
- Help with periodic work days on maintenance (details to announced).
- **Donate!** Funds will be administered through Building & Grounds to install irrigation, build raised beds, and

Little Red Wagon



St. Cyprian Food Pantry in Chicago is our focus in March.

Items needed are: toilet paper, paper towels, napkins & cleaning supplies.

Thank you to all who donated food

items for Easter dinners. Ruth Silver delivered those items to St. Cyprian last week.

buy plant material.

Join the alliance! Share your talents and garden resources!

Vestry Contacts: [Rob Wisnowski](#), [Greg Michaels](#), [Bill Ferry](#)

Happy To Share...BUT...

Little Angels Preschool is always open to sharing their toys and resources. It has been noticed that children are in the undercroft unsupervised on Sunday's playing with preschool toys and 'just throwing' them back into the closet. We have also heard that children have been on the outside playground unsupervised which is most unsafe.

So, as a reminder to keep people & resources safe:

- + If you borrow something please be respectful and return it to the closet exactly as you found it.
- + The playground is designed for children 18 months - 5 years old.
- + MOST IMPORTANTLY: An adult must be present on the playground and/or undercroft at all times when children are playing.

Thank you for Keeping God's Children Safe!

Remembering This Week

Birthday

4.8

Steve Knoop

4.9

Patrick Duncan

Jaqueline Allen

George Lorenzo

4.11

Martha Callahan

Anniversaries

4.8

Beth & Court

Rejman

4.9

Katie & Jim Blair

Anna Alexander wins the 2018 Golden Halo



The Supreme Executive Committee of Lent Madness offers its hearty congratulations to 2018 Golden Halo winner - Anna Alexander. [Click here](#) to see how Anna was propelled to earn the golden halo.

Little Angels Christian Preschool Summer Camp 2018

Kay & Randy
Lewis
4.11
Shan Atkins &
Jim Erbs4.12
Judy & Jeff Tolle

Rest in Peace

4.8
Kenneth Barton
Richard Lareno
4.9
Babbie Wastcoat
4.10
Ralph Crist
John Arthur Ward
IV
4.12
Jacob Guss
Barbara Kohlhasse
4.14
Lawrence Dickson

Easter Blessings!

ALL children ages 2-6 years old are welcome to attend.

In House sign up will begin on
Tuesday, April 3.
Community enrollment will begin on
Monday, April 16.



Click [here](#) for camp and registration information.

Concert for a Cause: An Evening of Peace Music - Saturday, April 7

The Chicago Diocese Peace & Justice Committee, St. Michael's Peace & Justice Committee, and Episcopal Peace Fellowship National are hosting "Concert for a Cause: An Evening of Peace Music," on Saturday, April 7 in Lincoln Park at Church of our Savior in the Parish Hall, 530 West Fullerton, in Chicago at 6:30 pm.

[Read more...](#)

To reserve advance tickets, go to tinyurl.com/EPFconcert or <https://www.classy.org/chicago/events/concert-for-cause/e166820>.

CONTACT ELLEN LINDEEN NOW to reserve a seat on the St. Michael's bus: peacellen123@gmail.com.

In The Parish Family

Those who have asked for our prayers: The Ryba family, Amy, Nathan & Kallyn, Millie, Sage, the McEnhill family, Dot, Kay, Ryan, Judie, Laurie, Ann, Mark, Ted, Christina, Barb & Steve, Patty, Phyllis, Amy.

COMMUNITY NEWS



The Community Meal will be held tonight, April 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 410 N. First Street, Cary. All are welcome.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Barrington Hills, invites you for a floral demonstration, lunch, music and raffle on Saturday, April 21. You'll learn how to incorporate movement and color balance for large and small flower settings. Click [here](#) for additional information.



Love INC Lake County SW is excited to announce the launch of Serving Saturdays. On the last Saturday of the month (starting April 28 from 8:30-11:00 a.m.) Love INC will open their doors to youth groups, outreach ministries, families and individuals and provide opportunities to serve our neighbors in need. Ways to serve include: delivery team, writing/creating compassion cards, assembling and delivering Blessing Baskets and more. Please let us know if you are able to share in the fellowship and spread love in the Name of Christ. For questions or to reserve your spot call us at 847-469-8835.

St. Michael's Vestry

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Wes Kimes, Senior Warden; Dayna Imhoff, Junior Warden
Bill Ferry, Ann Ross, Jim Stevens, Rob Wisnowski, Greg Michaels, Lisa Farran, Tim Raynor, Deb Blohm, Gene Dawson, Michele Phillips, Suzanne Fler, Renee Buxton
John Davis - Treasurer, Craig Anderson - Clerk

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**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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St. Michael's Episcopal Church

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 647 Dundee Avenue, Barrington, IL 60010

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

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