

All things come of thee, O Lord;
And of thine own have we given thee.

- I Chronicles 29:14

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Three conversions are necessary:
the conversion of the heart,
the conversion of the mind, and
the conversion of the purse.

- Martin Luther

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I do not believe one can settle how much
we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe
rule is to give more than we can spare.

- C.S. Lewis

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One gives freely, yet grows all the richer;
another withholds what he should give,
and only suffers want.

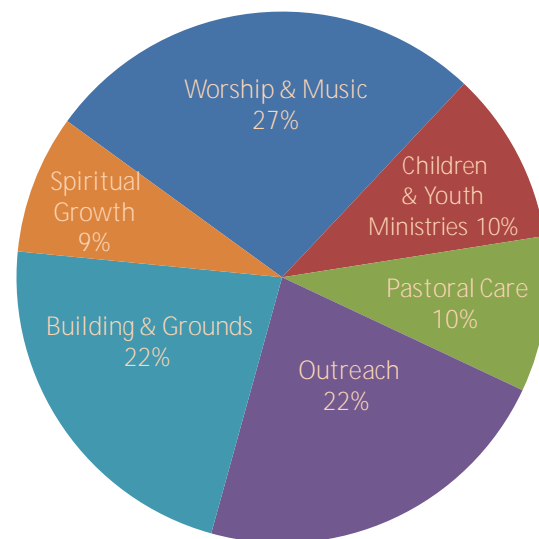
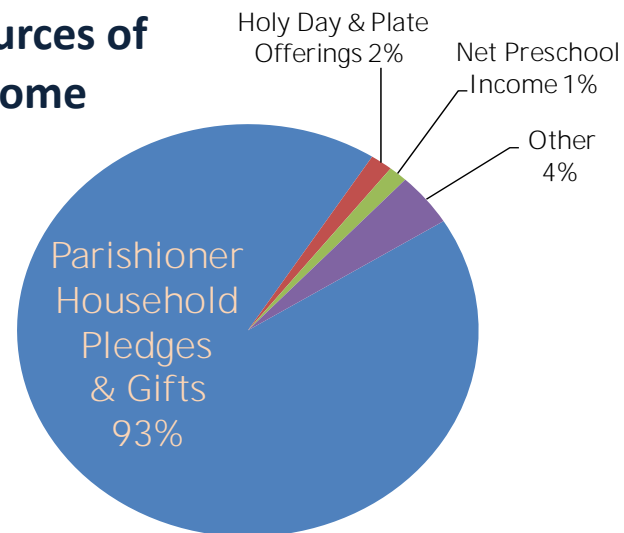
- Proverbs 11:24

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Almighty and eternal God, so draw our
hearts to thee, so guide our minds, so fill
our imaginations, so control our wills,
that we may be wholly thine, utterly
dedicated unto thee; and then use us, we
pray thee, as thou wilt, and always to thy
glory and the welfare of thy people;
through our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ. Amen.

- Book of Common Prayer, page 832

Sources of Income

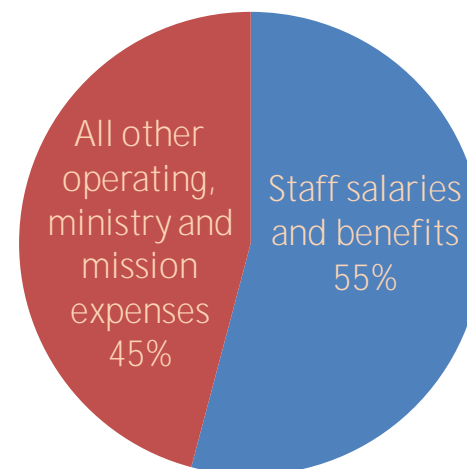


Expenses

by ministry area, with
clergy and staff
expenses distributed
among the ministries.

Clergy & Staff Payroll vs. Other Expenses

The payroll includes cash salaries
plus benefits such as health
insurance and pensions where
applicable for a clergy and staff
team of thirteen.



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St. Michael's Episcopal Church

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Growing and learning together through
worship, fellowship and service.



Time, Treasure, Talent – Growing Our Faith Through Generosity 2017

September 26, 2016

St. Michael's has begun a new chapter with the calling of Rev. Jesse Perkins to lead our congregation into the future. We welcome Jesse, his wife Katy and their son Gaius.

In one word, the theme of our 2017 Stewardship Campaign is **COMMITMENT!** We are asking not only for a commitment of money, but also a commitment of your time and talent. **The commitments of our God given gifts are crucial for St. Michael's to survive and grow.** Our church exists because members volunteer their time and talent to lead or serve on committees, teach Sunday school, sing in the choir, organize social events, or serve through community outreach functions. Equally as important as our time and talent is the commitment of our treasure. Our financial giving is necessary to pay salaries, utilities, and support the outreach that we provide to those in need. Without your support of time, talent and treasure, St Michaels will not survive or prosper.

We know that every single parish family has their own set of unique circumstances. Some are caring for elderly relatives, some in between jobs, and some have health concerns while **dealing with medical bills of their own. With that said, we don't want any of you to place undue hardship upon yourself when it comes to making your pledge.** Neither should your pledge be easy. Rather, it should reflect a serious commitment to the place you have chosen as your spiritual home, the place where your children will be educated in religious matters, and the place where you continue your own search for religious meaning.

Enclosed are your 2017 pledge card and a form listing all the ministries which serve St. Michaels. The pledge card is the commitment of your treasure. The ministry form is for a commitment of time and talent. Please give prayerful thought to increasing your total **commitment to St. Michael's. As you give, may you know the joy of giving and the satisfaction of knowing what an important presence St. Michael's is in your life.**

Please return your pledge card and ministry form to the church on or before October 23, 2017*. May God bless you and your family and may God bless St. Michaels.

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Stewardship Co-Chairs

* If you prefer, you can also complete your pledge card and time and talent surveys online at www.stmichaelsbarrington.org. Click on the stewardship banner on the home page to be directed to the forms. Also with our new website, we have an online giving portal so you can set up monthly recurring payments for your pledge. You can also do one time gifts or use our Text Giving by messaging 847-232-6331.



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WORSHIP & MUSIC

The worship and music we share are at the heart of our common life. We welcomed our new rector, The Rev. Jesse Perkins in September. Sara Lloyd Torbeck has started in her role as the Childrens Choir Director. There are many opportunities to serve in ministry—Acolytes, Lectors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Choir Members, Ushers to name a few.



LITTLE ANGELS PRESCHOOL

The 2016/2017 school year has seen an increase in enrollment for our preschool program. New enrichment programs for the students are being offered. The preschool is currently raising funds to redesign their outdoor playground space .

Let us focus on generosity, or return God's gift with increase, through the generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

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FUN & FELLOWSHIP

There were opportunities to gather together as a community, to deepen our relationships and make new connections. Whether marching in the parade, attending a festive event like Mardi Gras or participating as a coffee hour host, we grow our faith by sharing time together.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

This committee continues their work on engaging St. Michael's more widely with our local community. A major accomplishment to do this work was the launch of our new website. They have also taken the lead on getting our pictorial directory completed. Look for more creative ideas from this group in the coming year.



YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Youth Pastor Nate Nesbit and Family Ministries Coordinator Julie Allord provide many vehicles for our young people to grow their faith through service. Opportunities include the annual youth mission trip, baking pretzels to support kids in Haiti and baking pies for the recruits attending our Thanksgiving dinner. This is just a sampling.

ONGOING CARE FOR OUR BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

In 2016, we prepared the rectory for Fr. Jesse and his family—installing a new boiler, water softener and carpet. The most noticeable change at the church was the installation of a building access system. This provides a more secure environment for all who enter the doors of St. Michael's.

St. Michael's reaches out to the world

The many needs and opportunities to which we respond with hands-on service and/or financial support include:

- Ashes to Go
- Barrington Area Council on Aging
- Barrington Area Ministerial Association
- Barrington Giving Day
- Barrington Youth and Family Services
- Bishop Anderson House
- Christmas Gifts Ministries
- Chicago House & Social Service
- CUMALI
- Feed My Starving Children
- FISH of Barrington
- Food for Greater Elgin
- Franciscan Outreach
- Grace House
- Habitat for Humanity
- Haiti Project: St. Marc's, Jeanette
- Holy Family Ministries
- Journeys the Road Home
- Little Red Wagon
- Lawrence Hall Youth Services
- Love INC
- Lydia Home
- Meals on Wheels
- Porch de Salomon
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Primo Center for Women
- Ravenswood Community Services
- Redeemer Families in Crisis
- ReVive/Cathedral Shelter
- Sentinels of Freedom
- Shelter Care Ministries, Rockford
- Soup Kettle at Church of the Redeemer, Elgin
- South Sudan, Diocese of Renk
- St. Cyprian's Food Pantry
- St. Leonard's House
- Thanksgiving Community Meal
- Wauconda-Island Lake Food Pantry

