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**Sunday
Worship Times**



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

**Sunday
Church School**



● **9:45 drop-off ~**
**Church school for
children ages 3-5th**
grade starts at 10am
in the lower level
classrooms. They will
join their families in
time for communion.

● **9:00am ~ JR. & SR.**
High LIFT gather at



**From Our Associate Rector
for Christian Education**

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Happy New Year!

I hope you are having an excellent start to 2019.

Around this time last year, I wrote about New Years resolutions; I even listed a couple of mine. And several of you shared with me your own resolutions.

And, if any of you are like me, most of those resolutions were probably put aside and forgotten about by March.

The good news is, as Christians, we are constantly invited to assess and reassess our lives throughout the year, and we have seasons of repentance (like Lent) and seasons of celebration (like right now, Christmas). These offer additional opportunities to improve our lives-make new resolutions.

But before we write off 2018, dismissing those resolutions we failed to keep, let us not forget to review our previous year. A blog I recently read talked about how we should re-frame our concept of "failed resolutions" and instead look at them as "opportunities to grow." Maybe, that financial resolution didn't come true, but now you can look back and see what was the hiccup and maybe work around that. Or maybe you didn't maintain that professional resolution, but perhaps it's because something greater happened.



Whether you were able to keep your 2018 resolutions or are trying new resolutions for 2019, I hope you will join me in continually trying to improve yourself, in whatever way you are called as a Christian.

And in the meantime, I'll see you this Sunday. Don't forget the Epiphany Pageant is during the 10 o'clock service!

the Sturtz House & join the service at 10am.

- **9:00am ~ Adult Formation** meet in the Conference Room 12/2 - 12/23 (watch calendar for seasonal class dates)

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

For Church School information please contact [The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon](#), Associate Rector for Christian Education.

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

Quick Links



[Our Website](#)



[Little Angels Preschool](#)



St. Michael's Children's Ministry

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You are all invited THIS SUNDAY....



Dress rehearsal: Saturday, January 5 at 9:00 a.m.

#Happy New Year! I love starting the New Year with a new daily planner the old fashion way. In college, I used the Franklin Covey Planner system. A,B,C prioritizing and then moving what was not accomplished to the next day. Now as a parent, I feel my list is A-Z. However, I still use the same philosophy, continually adding new goals and adding important alerts to my phone.

One of my favorite motivational apps on my phone is called SHINE. It is a daily pep talk in your pocket. One of the ideas SHINE has is to pick a one word "Theme" for the year instead of a New Year's Resolution. My one word theme for the Sunday School for 2019 is "UPGRADE"! My goal is to upgrade the Children's love for Jesus. A while ago, we had one child draw on his coloring page, CHURCH ROCKS! I will never forget that. This is what I mean by "UPGRADE." Continue to increase our love for Church and God. #UPGRADE their smiles, eagerness to come back every Sunday and glow when they pray together.

"They Saw A Star" Epiphany Pageant is this Sunday. I wish everyone could have seen how excited the kids were when assigning the parts. They were laughing and already having fun during rehearsal. This is the first time I have organized a pageant! It is challenging. I keep reminding myself to pray and trust the Holy Spirit will guide us so it



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Little Red Wagon

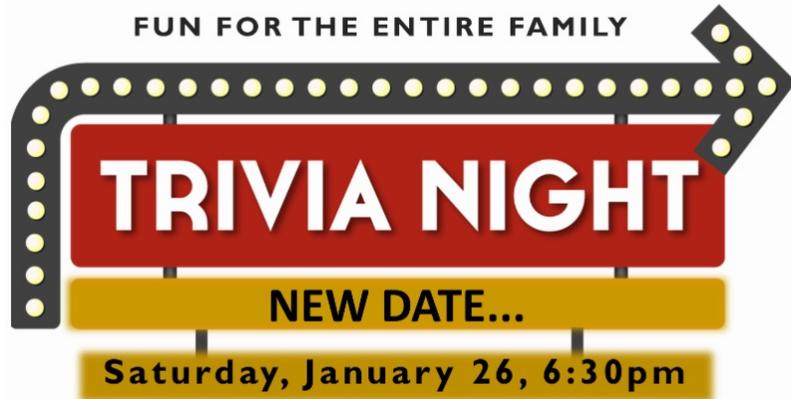
will all come together. I appreciate all the parental support so far and hope we all have fun watching the kids in their costumes on Sunday. #Enjoy the show!

Lift Living in
faith together

JR. and SR. High LIFT students WILL meet this Sunday, January 6 at our regular time - 9:00 a.m. See you Sunday!

[Click here](#) for a calendar of upcoming events in January and *action items*.

FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY



- **Grown ups** will play a rousing rendition of St. Michael's Trivia upstairs in the Community Room. Sean Harrington will reprise his role as Trivia MC.
- **Kiddo's** will have their own Game Night downstairs overseen by Kim Curtis.
- **Nursery care** will be available.
- **Bring your favorite comfort food for sharing-** appetizers, casseroles or crockpot dishes and desserts and BYOB (Bring Your Own Beverage).
- **Pleas RSVP:** nholmes@stmichaelsbarrington.org. Let us know how many adults and how many kiddos in your family will be attending.

No reason to stay home this Saturday night - come on over to St. Michael's for a rollicking good time!

Come To Hear Randy Lewis
Wednesday, January 16 ~ 7:00 p.m.



Barrington Township Food Pantry is our focus in January.

Needs are: oils, salad dressing, Ramon noodles, mayo, ketchup, bar soap, tooth brushes. Thank you.

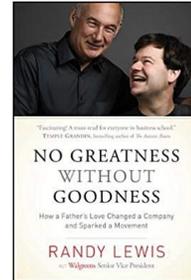
Those who have asked for our prayers:

The Alton family, Moira, Anita, Virginia, Joy, Jack, Mary Jean, the Plescia family, Scott, the Waring family, Vincent, Ceres, Nicholas, Ryan, Felix, Christopher, Dolly, Ann, George, the Harms family, Donald, Paula, Mark, Ted, Barb & Steve, Patty, Phyllis, Amy.

[Typically names placed on the Parish Prayer List are listed for four

As a senior executive at Walgreens, Randy Lewis hired over 1000 people with disabilities to work its distribution centers throughout the US. Most had never been able to find a steady job before and now perform as well, earn the same pay and perform the same jobs as those without disabilities.

Since then, Randy spends his time advocating and helping other employers to launch similar initiatives. The model has been copied around the world and has been called the "gold standard of disability employment". His book, *No Greatness Without Goodness-How A Father's Love Changed a Company and Launched a Movement*, was named by Fast Company magazine as one of its "10 Books You Need to Read This Year" when it was released in 2014.



Two years ago, Randy successfully introduced into Barrington a paid summer jobs program for students with disabilities so that they may develop employability skills and to expose local employers to their hidden talents (Barrington-SET.org). Just as the Walgreens initiative was created with the intent to spread it to other employers, the intent of student jobs initiative is to share it to other communities.

Come hear Randy's story about how he became an accidental advocate and about the program in Barrington. And most importantly, to be reminded that each of us can make a difference.

Sunday, February 3
after the 10:00 a.m. service



[Click here](#) for the list of candidates with their personal bios and other important information concerning the Annual Meeting.

weeks. The newly departed are also prayed for during the Prayers of the People on Sundays for a duration of four weeks following their death. Please notify any member of the clergy or [Nancy](#) to add a name to the prayer list.]

Little Angels Preschool Registration for 2019-2020

In-house registration begins on Monday, January 14.

Public registration will begin on Monday, January 28.



COMMUNITY NEWS



'Dancing with the Barrington Stars' 2019 Fundraiser. February 9, 6:00 - 10:00 pm at the Stonegate Conference & Banquet Centre, West Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates, IL. Sponsored by the Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA). [Click here](#) for more information.



Remembering This Week

Birthday

1.6
Donna Brooks
Steven Miner
1.7
Ann Dickson
Lindsey Murphy
1.8
Dolores Curran
1.9
Jan Semerad
Mike Savage
1.10
Bill Nagy
1.11
Susan Johnston

Anniversaries

1.9
Cherry & Don
Stoddard-Babo
7.10
Vickie & John
Schnure
1.11
Marti & Steve Kahn

Rest in Peace

1.6
Robert Johnson

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Frank Faust
Antionette Lutsky
1.7
Lloyd Silver
Anna Toll
1.8
Julia Ward

St. Michael's Vestry

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Wes Kimes, Senior Warden; Dayna Imhoff, Junior Warden
Bill Ferry, Jim Stevens, Rob Wisnowski, Gwynne Johnston, Lora Gier, Greg Michaels,
Lisa Farran, Tim Raynor, Gene Dawson, Michele Phillips, Suzanne Fleeer, Renee
Buxton. John Davis - Treasurer, Craig Anderson - Clerk

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The Rev. Jesse Perkins, Rector; The Rev. Lisa Erdeljon, Associate Rector for Christian  
Education; The Rev. Elizabeth Ward, Priest Associate; The Rev. Alvin Johnson, Priest  
Associate; The The Rev. Laurie Michaels, Deacon; Mark Sikkila, Organist & Director of  
Music; Sara Lloyd Torbeck, Director of Children's Music; Caren Hunter, Director of Little  
Angels Preschool; Ric Lindeen, Jr/Sr High Youth Ministry; Kim Curtis, Director of  
Sunday School; Kim Lessner, Parish Operations; Nancy Holmes, Parish  
Administrator/Rector's Assistant; Rich Hornickel, Sexton

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St. Michael's Episcopal Church

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