

**St. Michael's Day
Confirmation Sunday
St. Michael's Episcopal Church
September 25th, 2016**

Welcome to St. Michael's Church

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we welcome and accept you, and we trust God to take you where God wants you in God's timing. We want to be a safe place for you to experience God's grace, love, and presence with us.

Welcome home.

Childcare

NURSERY CARE – Each Sunday morning, childcare is available in our Little Lambs Nursery starting at 9:45 am for the 10:15am service. The nursery accommodates infants through three-year olds and is located on the first floor of Rowe Hall.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Church school is for ages 3 (and potty trained) through 5th grade. Classes meet each Sunday morning at 10:00am. Our Youth Choir members will join the class before the first reading. The children are escorted back into the service to join their parents during the Peace for Holy Eucharist.

Camp Sonshine

(3, and potty trained, - Kindergarten)

Meet upstairs in Rowe Hall, Room 202 at 10:00am.

Camp Rock

(1st – 3rd grade)

Meet upstairs in Rowe Hall, Room 205 at 10:00am.

Club 412

(4th and 5th grade)

Meet in Fordham Hall in the Club 412 room at 10:00am

Introit**I am the Church****St. Michael's Angels Choir****Entrance Hymn****Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven****Hymn 410**

Unison or harmony

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;
3 Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
4 Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;
ran-somed, healed, re-store, for giv-en, ev-er-more his prais-es sing:
praise him still the same as ev-er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gen-tly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be-fore him, dwell-ers all in time and space.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ri - ous in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Liturgy of the Word

All standing, the Bishop says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Bishop then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

THERMOPHILIC BACTERIA

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

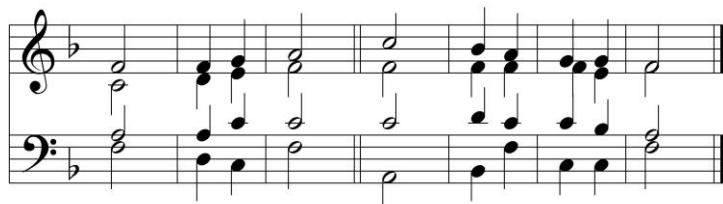
Genesis 28:10-17

All sit.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” And he was afraid, and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:19-22



19 The Lord has set his / throne in / heaven,
and his kingship has do-/-minion / over / all.

20 Bless the Lord, you angels of his, * you mighty ones who / do his / bidding,
and hearken / to the / voice of • his / word.

21 Bless the Lord, all / you his / hosts,
you ministers of / his who / do his / will.

22 Bless the Lord, all you works of his, * in all places of / his do-/-minion;
bless the / Lord,-- / O my / soul.

Second Reading

Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

Gospel Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Hymn 423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Alleuia & Verse

Sung 2 X before vs: Cantor / ALL; 1 X after

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him all you angels.

Holy Gospel

John 1:47-51

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Bishop :

The Candidate(s) will now be presented.

Presenters I present *these persons* for Confirmation.

or I present *these persons* to be received into this Communion.

or I present *these persons* who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

The Bishop asks the candidates: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate: **I do.**

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate: **I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.**

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying:

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in their life in Christ?

People: **We will.**

The Bishop then says these or similar words:

Let us join with *those* who are committing *themselves* to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death
of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his
resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who
lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

For Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says:

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant_____ with your Holy Spirit;
empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days
of *his/her* life. *Amen.*

For Reception

_____, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic
and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship
of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless, preserve, and keep you. *Amen.*

For Reaffirmation

_____, may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you,
direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his
kingdom. *Amen.*

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be
over *these* your *servants*; let your Holy Spirit ever be with
them; and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of
your Word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell
with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Peace

All stand.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Birthday/Anniversary Blessings

Announcements

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

The Offertory

I was glad

C.H.H. Parry

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces. (Ps. 122 – 1662 BCP)

The Doxology

(you may stand)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. *Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(you may kneel)

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

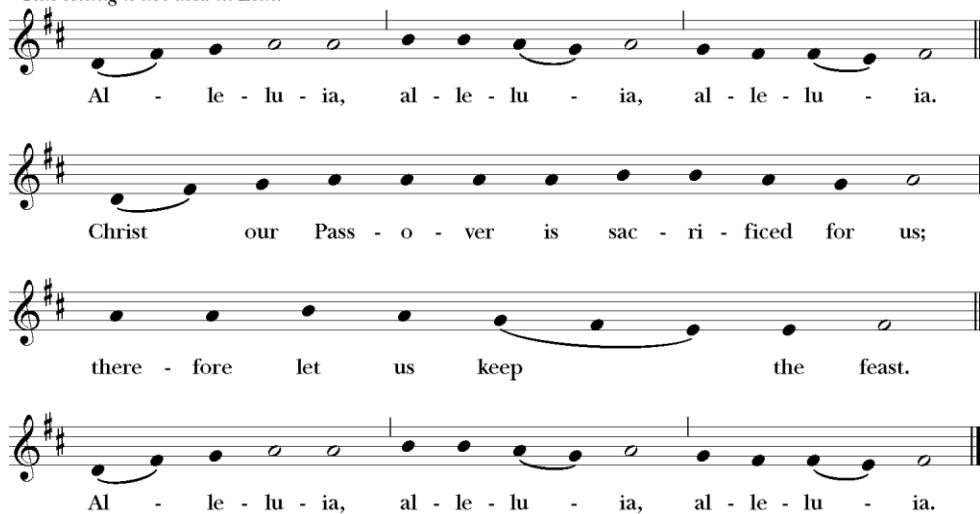
People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

This setting is not used in Lent.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(The Daughters of the King are available for prayer in the Chapel.)

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at St. Michael's Church. The customary way is to consume the bread and then take a sip from the cup. Persons not wishing to sip from the cup and still desirous to receive in both kinds should leave the bread on the palms of their hands for the chalice bearer to dip it in the cup and then place it on their tongue. Persons who wish to bypass the cup entirely should cross their arms over their chest as the chalice bearer approaches.

Communion Anthem

Locus iste

A. Bruckner

Locus iste a Deo factus est, inaestimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est.

[Trans: This place was made by God a priceless mystery; it is without reproof.]

Communion Hymn

Surely the Presence

Sure - ly the pres - ence____ of the Lord is in this place, I can
feel his migh-ty pow-er____ and his grace.____ I can feel the touch of
an - gels wings, there is glo - ry on each face;
sure - ly the pres - ence____ of the Lord is in this place.

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Communion Hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Hymn 324



1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its van-guard
 4 At his feet the six-winged seraph; cher-u-bim with



trem-bling stand; pon-der noth-ing earth-ly -
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu-man -
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -
 sleep-less eye veil their fac-es to the



mind-ed, for with bless-ing in his hand
 ves-ture, in the Bo-dy and the Blood
 scend-eth from the realms of end-less day,
 Pres-ence, as with cease-less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de-scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may va-nish
 "Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!"



our full hom-age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the dark-ness clears a way.
 Al-le-lu-ia, Lord Most High!"

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread and one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.
(you may kneel)

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Blessing

The priest blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Hymn 618

Unison

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - aphs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - them

Harmony

Unison

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince-doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Pièce Solennelle

J. Ibert

Today we give thanks to God and we celebrate with all those who were confirmed,
 received, and reaffirmed, at the 10:15 service:

Connor Higgins
 Gylla Macgregor
 Cynthia Sills
 Dale Urbaniak

Michael Higgins
 Ramelle Macgregor
 Beckett Stieger
 Benny Woodlief

Katrena Luoni
 Edye McNickle
 Yvonne Traylor
 Linda Woodlief

Those Assisting in Worship Today

Vestry of the Day – Todd Pittenger

Subdeacon – Christine Overstreet

Chalice Bearer – Ed Murphy

Chalice Bearer – Jon Nash

Chalice Bearer – Greg Favazza

First Lector – John Hackler

Second Lector – Cathy Kerns

Intercessor – Holly Hatcher

LEVs – Ron and May Lu Nelson

6:00 pm Peggy Trubey

Altar Guild: Kathy Shearer, Dottie Harris, Dale Urbaniaik

Flower Guild: Ruth Einsig, Kimberly Corso, Mary Ruth Houston

Greeter: Kathy Cox, Holly and Mike Hatcher

Acolytes

Thurifer – Robert Carpenter

Crucifer/ Offertory – Robert Krohn

Altar/ Bells – Kate Krohn

Torch – Garrett Stiell

Torch - Blake Stieger

Sermon Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers

Today's flowers are offered to the Glory of God and celebration of St. Michael's Day.

The flowers are also given in honor of those who are being confirmed, received, and reaffirmed today at the 10:15 service.

Club 412 Event: Today!

Club 412, our special club for our fourth and fifth graders, will begin meeting once a month for social and outreach activities in September. Club 412 members are encouraged to bring friends along.

September 25th, 3:30pm - 5:30pm - Let's race at Lil' 500! Meet at St. Michael's at 3:30 to carpool over to Lil' 500. Pick up at St. Michael's @ 5:30. Pizza and drinks provided. Cost is \$15 per driver. To RSVP contact Tiffany Stieger @ Tiffany@stmichaelschurch.com.

Christmas Wreaths and Swags

It's that time of year again to order your beautiful Christmas Wreaths and Swags! These lovely mixed greens are from the Pacific Northwest and are accented with pinecones.

All orders will be available for pick up after Thanksgiving making it the perfect time to decorate your homes, offices or to give as gifts!

Please order immediately following the 10:15 service during Coffee Hour.

(we can accept orders through 10/14)

Wreaths are \$25.00 and Swags are \$22.00.

All proceeds will go to benefit the Flower Guild.

This is our one and only fundraiser and we greatly appreciate your participation!!

Any questions? Contact Kimberly Corso at kcorso@mac.com

Check us out on the web:

www.stmichaelschurch.com

Twitter: @StMichaelsOrl

Facebook - St. Michael's Church Orlando, FL

Flower Sponsorship at St. Michael's

The flowers that adorn the altar every Sunday are given to the glory of God and as an offering of worship! We invite you to join in sponsoring the flowers each week in memoriam or thanksgiving for family, friends and occasions. This is a beautiful and vital ministry as we worship God through His creation!

In order to sponsor flowers there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Sign up for your desired date/dates to honor and remember your loved ones throughout the year. Please do so no later than the Sunday prior. You will then receive a confirmation call the week your flowers will be placed on the altar.

Mission Nights in October

Mission nights will be held on Wednesday nights starting October 5th and ending October 26th from 6:15pm - 7:15pm in the Camp Rock room. These four classes will be focused on Mission work and will include a mission project we will do together. This class is open to K-5th grade. Pizza will be provided. Please let us know if you will be attending so we can plan for food. [Tiffany @stmichaelschurch.com](mailto:Tiffany@stmichaelschurch.com).

Women After Hours at St. Michaels Church

The Group meets every 4th Tuesday at Dubsdread. All women are welcome.
Please RSVP to Ann Redmond at ARedmond@BrwnCald.com.

Name Tags

We have welcomed over 50 new members to St. Michael's this year. So even if you think everyone knows you and you know everyone – that is not always the case. We have become a little lax in wearing our name tags. Please wear your name tags. It's important as we continue to get to know one another and grow in fellowship! If you have lost your name tag and need another or are new to St. Michael's and need a name tag please contact me at

Kathy Cox 407-797-6903 or ckjgo1@msn.com

Youth and Young Adults

Our split EYC starts tonight with middle school @ 4:30-6, and high school @ 5:30-7. Everyone has FREE dinner & games together in Quigley Hall @ 5:30-6 so bring your friendz!

Bible Studies have started but it's never too late to join us! All supplies provided!!! Bible Study W meets at Fallas home in Ocoee on Thursdays @ 8pm-8:45pm, high school (HiS) at Einstein's bagels across from EHS on Thursdays @ 6:15am-7am & bring \$ for breakfast, and middle school gurlz meet at the Airth's house (3203 Ardsley Dr. @ 4:15pm-5:15pm.

Sunday School starts next week @ 10:15am-10:50am with FREE breakfast for everyone. You'll be back in time for Communion with your family!

To get information on our summer events, check out our Facebook page at either "St. Michael's EYC" or "St. Michael's Young Adults", or on Twitter at "@StMichaelsYYA".

BLESSING OF THE PETS

Saturday, October 8th 10:00 a.m. on the Patio.

On Saturday, October 8th, you will have the chance to bring your pets to a special service as we mark and celebrate the life of St. Francis. We hope all of our children and friends will join us for this event. Pets should be on leashes, in cages, or somehow manageable. Please join us after for a time of lite refreshments and fellowship. Dog and cat treats will be available but all pets are welcome. For more information please contact Rev. Diane at

Diane@stmichaelschurch.com

Men's Bible Study: New Course

Men's Bible Study: Every Tuesday; 7:00 to 8:00 AM in the Main Conference Room
New Study: Starting on 27 September: Jesus and His Jewish Influences (THE GREAT COURSES) This course consists of 24 30 min lectures on DVDs. After each lecture the men discuss the topic. Come learn with us each Tuesday Morning!

Women's Bible Studies have Started Back!

Monday Morning Bible Study takes place in the Parlor (Fordham Hall) at 9:00 am. This fall the Study will focus on the Sermon on the Mount. For more information on how you can join contact Susan Tayloe sttayloe@outlook.com.

Monday Night Bible Study meets at 6:45 pm in the Choir Room (**Fordham Hall**) and will begin a Beth Moore Study on 2 Timothy entitled *Entrusted*. For more information or to join contact Kim Bignon kimlynbin@yahoo.com.

**Operation Christmas Child
Kicks off on
Sunday, October 9th, 2016**

GOOD NEWS!!! GREAT JOY!!!

**A small shoebox can teach a child about the love of God,
lead him or her to faith in Christ, inspire pastors, and plant new churches.**

What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out is eternal!

Be a part of changing lives through the power of a simple gift!

Every shoebox gift that we place into the hands of a child in need provides an opportunity to demonstrate God's love and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Each shoebox is packed with love and covered in prayer, bringing the true meaning of Christmas to children around the world. Shoeboxes will be available in the narthex of the church and in the chapel **beginning October 9th.**

Look for more information to come next week!

St. Michael's Prayer List

Those who have commended themselves to our prayers:

Alex, Angela, Anita, Ann B., Ann R., Arel, Art, Barbara, Beth, Bob, Brittany, Britt, Burke, Butch, Carolyn, Carter, Darcy, Darshan, Deborah, Deanna, Debbie, Dick, Dinorah, Don, Donna, Douglas, Elbert, Elgin, Eric, Ethan, Francis, Frank, George, Jacob, James R., James W., Jane, Jenny, Jim, Jeff, Jean K., Jean M., John N., John S., Judy, Marc, Mary B., Mary C., Marci, Miriam, Missy, Naomi, Robert, Ron, Scott, Ted C., Ted G, Tom, Trisha, Vic, Vicki, Walter, Wilma.

Those serving in the armed forces and in harm's way

Jonah H., Will M., Kenneth K., Martin T.

This Week's Birthdays:

Alexis Bond, Lawton Evans, Amy Daniel, Janine Berstein, Collin Robertson, Alice Davidson, Joanie Fiebrandt, Charleigh Berry, J B Fulmer, Mike Hatcher, III, Megan Booth, Katie Murphy, Kaitlyn DiDea, Maggie Renfroe, Chapman Leedy, IV, Ashlyn Cummings Perrin, Amara Walker

This Week's Anniversaries:

Rick & Pam Arkins, Toby & Marion Arnheim, Mike & Holly Hatcher, Chad & Amy Hutyra

Rest in Peace

Angela Cockman

The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer, *Bishop*

The Rev. Rick Luoni, *Rector*

The Rev. Diane J. Souder, *Pt. Assoc. Pastoral Care*

The Rev. Carter A. Smith, *Deacon*

Andrew J. Walker, *Director of Music* -- Ella Eagen, *Assistant Director of Music*

Michael Beam, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Tiffany Stieger, *Director of Children's Ministry* --Melanie Olivier, *Director of Preschool*

A LITANY of the PERSON

Image of God
Born of God's breath
Vessel of divine Love
After his likeness
Dwelling of God
Capacity for the infinite
Eternally known
Chosen of God
Home of Infinite Majesty
Abiding in the Son
Called from eternity
Life in the Lord
Temple of the Holy Spirit
Branch of Christ
Receptacle of the Most High
Wellspring of Living Water
Heir of the kingdom
The glory of God
Abode of the Trinity

God sings this litany eternally in his Word

This is who you are.

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) *N.* as *they* begin(s) another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life (lives); through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: continue to send your blessing upon *this couple(s)*, that they may love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home(s) may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thank You for Worshiping with Us Today



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