

St. Michael Church

ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA 22003

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Celebrating
64 years:
1953~2017

RECTORY, 7401 St. Michaels Lane 703-256-7822

SCHOOL, 7401 St. Michaels Lane 703-256-1222

CONVENT, 7421 St. Michaels Lane

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) 703-941-9403

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. (Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite)

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

12:00 noon

Weekday Masses: See Inside Bulletin

PREGNANT AND NEED HELP? CALL 1-800-848-5683

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. SHARP.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. SHARP. Advent & Lent special schedule.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month, after the 12 noon Mass. All parents must attend a class prior to the baptism of their child. Please call the rectory for information and assistance. (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

HOLY MATRIMONY: Please notify one of the priests at least six (6) months before the wedding. Cohabitation (living together before marriage) is not lawful; such couples will be asked to separate.

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL:

Pre-K3 through grade 8. For information, contact the school office at 703-256-1222. Website: stmikes22003.org. Principal: Daniel V. Cinalli, daniel.cinalli@stmikes22003.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

For all children attending public school, Pre-School through grade 12. Director of Religious Education: Adina Ordonez, 703-941-9403 or ccdstm@outlook.com.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Registration forms are available from the ushers after Mass on Sunday or you may stop by the rectory during the week. Parish membership is required for the reception of either Baptism or Matrimony. Please notify the rectory when your telephone number changes and also when you are moving within or outside the parish.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: 9 a.m. — 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the Rectory for visits and/or Communion Calls to the sick, shut-ins and those in the hospital.

WEEKLY NOVENA: will start up again in *October*.

CLERGY OF PARISH

Pastor: Rev. Alexander R. Drummond

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Richard T. Carr

Permanent Deacons: Deacon David S. McCaffrey, Deacon Roger T. Ostrom (retired)



24th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2017

The Priest's Mass Intentions

Monday, September 18

8:30 a.m. Young Mee and James Fife

12 noon Angelito S. Soriente +

Tuesday, September 19

8:30 a.m. Charles W. Drummond

12 noon Cagno Family

Wednesday, September 20

8:30 a.m. Cavone Family

12 noon Lorna Malovic +

Thursday, September 21

8:30 a.m. Clare Lee

12 noon Frank Culosi +

Friday, September 22

8:30 a.m. Maria Ngo Nguyen +

12 noon Jose Manuel Santamaria +

Saturday, September 23

8:30 a.m. Dong Sok Han

5 p.m. Barbara Jean Hluboky +

Sunday, September 24

7 a.m. McEnrue & Siegfried Families

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Armano N. Cruz +

12 noon Jennifer Stahl

A Word from Father Drummond

We sometimes forget that the word catholic (small c) means universal. Even the Protestants when reciting the Apostles' Creed will say "I believe in the holy catholic church..." When we use the word Catholic (capital C) we generally mean the Church, and sometimes specify the Roman Catholic Church, which is not limiting the universality of the Catholic part but rather stressing that the head of the Church—the Pope—is in Rome. Within the Catholic Church there are many different "rites" which just goes to underscore the universality of the Church. We, here at St. Michaels as part of the Diocese of Arlington, are members of the Latin Rite, meaning that Latin is our liturgical language and the normative texts of our official documents, missals and lectionaries are the Latin texts. (This includes all the documents of Vatican II). Sadly, the sense of universality was greatly damaged when the Mass went from Latin to the vernacular. While I understand the appeal of attending Mass celebrated in one's native language can have for many people, the use of the

vernacular serves to accent and underscore the many national differences that exist within the Church which by its very definition is *supra* national or universal — Catholic.

My point here is not to debate the merits or demerits of the Latin vs. Vernacular debate but rather to focus on the fact that being Catholic goes over and beyond all national, ethnic or racial boundaries. Many Americans like the hyphenate themselves: Irish-American, Italian-American, German-American, African-American and on and on. People want to find their "roots" which they often identify as their "heritage." Through DNA testing many people find out that their ancestry is rather different than they think — the Ancestry.com commercial where a Man initially appears in lederhosen then switches to a kilt as he finds out what he "really is" illustrates this (all the while he speaks with a New York accent). While seemingly benign, this desire to find out ones "background" strikes me as a latent form of elitism — what makes me different? As Catholics, our first and most important touchstone of identity needs to be our Faith. When asked "What are you" we should not identify by any national, ethnic or racial background but respond wholeheartedly, "I am Catholic. I am a child of God." This is one of the great truths of our Faith — that each and everyone of us is made in the Image and Likeness of God, each and everyone of us is a Child of God. That is what both makes us individually special *and* unites us as One. If we have to define ourselves we should do so in terms of our Faith. If we seek a heritage we need look no further than the sign of the Cross. In Christ crucified we are all made one and all divisive differences fall away. What are you? I am a Child of God. This is the Victory of the Cross.



40 HOURS DEVOTION

Come participate in this solemn Catholic tradition! Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (in the main church) will begin the evening of Wednesday, September 27th and end on the parish feast day of St. Michael and the Archangels on September 29th.

A rosary (in Vietnamese) will be said on Thursday at 6 p.m., followed by Mass at 7 p.m.; a rosary (in Spanish) will be said on Friday at 6 p.m., followed by Mass at 7 p.m.

In Our Parish

PARISH PICNIC!!!

Question: What sizzles, sears and sometimes smokes, and goes great with catsup, mustard, relish, cheese and onions? What tantalizes, teases, tempts, tastes of the world and will add a few pounds to your frame?

Answer: Those fabulous German brats and hamburgers that the Knights of Columbus are grilling during our Parish Picnic, Sunday the **1st of October from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Mark your calendars, plans are under way!

Games and prizes for the youngsters and the young at heart!
Volunteer! Pitch in! Help out! Participate! Become involved.
Support your local parish picnic committee! See sign-up sheets in the church's foyer or contact Linda Roberts at 703-642-9446. Plan to spend a fun afternoon with your parish family!!!

Angel of God my Guardian dear; to whom His love commits me here; ever this day be at my side; to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

The Christian Mothers -- will meet on Thursday, September 21, 2017 for Mass in the Convent Chapel at 7:30pm. A meeting will follow in the All Purpose Room. Please be on time for Mass and note that September is the month where we collect our annual dues. New members are always welcomed and this group is open to Mothers of all ages. If you have any questions, please call Patrice Connolly on 703-941-0017.

Altar Society -- Helpers needed, one Saturday a month. Teams of two or three to clean the holy water fonts, confessionals, and light dusting of the Stations of the Cross and entrance areas. (Great project for service hours for youth working with a parent!) Please contact Carol McCaffrey, 703-941-4573.

Commencing this Fall, the THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP -- (as a change of pace) will conduct a 20-session study of Church History called EPIC, published by Ascension Press and featuring the creator, Steve Weidenkopf, on DVD. The program covers the Catholic story from Pentecost to Pope Benedict XVI. (FYI: we will be studying about the biblical Mary in the Spring). Classes for EPIC are currently in session; we meet on Thursdays from 9:45 (a new time) to 11:30 AM in Room 3 on the lower level of the Junior School. Sessions are facilitated by fellow parishioners. Cost of course materials is \$30.00. Come early and enjoy refreshments and good fellowship. For more information and to pre-register, contact Bill Deshler at 703-321-9730, or Carol McCaffrey at 703-941-4573.

EnCourage -- is a support group for faithful Catholics with same-sex attracted loved ones. What distinguishes the work of EnCourage is its commitment to offer faithful witness to Catholic teachings on sexual morality while addressing the needs of its members with charity and compassion. To this end, the group both professes an orthodox position on the immorality of homosexual acts and respects the human dignity of persons who have homosexual feelings. For more information about Courage International and other resources, visit <http://couragec.org>.

The Second Collection -- this weekend is for Religious Education (CCD).

Hurricane Irma -- if you wish to make a donation to Hurricane Irma relief, please place your donation in the Poor Box this week.

Faith Direct -- is an easy, convenient, and secure way to make your weekly donations to St. Michael parish! Enroll online today by going to www.faithdirect.net. If you have any question about the Faith Direct program, please call 1-866-507-8757 [toll free] or e-mail info@faithdirect.net.

Mass Change Starting in October -- the 12 noon SUNDAY Mass will be celebrated at 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP -- the Sunday Scripture Study Group will be studying THE PROPHETS published by Ascension Press. The course covers 8 important prophets from Hosea to Malachi, and features Thomas Smith, a frequent guest on EWTN and Catholic radio, on DVD. For future reference, we plan to start another study in December called "EPIC" on Church history. We will meet on Sundays from 9:45 to 11:15 AM in Room 3 on the lower level of the Junior School. Sessions are facilitated by fellow parishioners. Cost of course materials is \$30.00 for The Prophets. Come early and enjoy refreshments and good fellowship. For more information and to pre-register, please contact Bill Deshler at 703-321-9730, or Pavo James at 703-642-8378.

It has been 49 years since the Encyclical, HUMANAE VITAE, was issued (July 25, 1968) -- You are invited to explore this beautiful encyclical in a series of three talks given by Fr. Drummond. Father's talks will focus on (1) the scriptural basis for the Church's teaching on contraception, (2) the encyclical (it's true spirit), and (3) the Church's teaching on marriage. SEPTEMBER 17, AND SEPTEMBER 24. ALL AT 7 PM IN THE ALL PURPOSE ROOM, JUNIOR SCHOOL BUILDING.

Rite of Christian Initiation For Adults -- If you are interested in the Catholic faith or in receiving the Sacraments or if you know someone who is interested, instructions will be **starting on Monday evening September 18th at 7:30 p.m.** To learn more, contact Deacon McCaffrey by phone (1-571-643-6895 or email dsmjrl@gmail.com). Or leave a message at the Church office (703-256-7822). All are welcome.

The Wednesday Miraculous Medal Novena -- will now resume in October, after the 40 Hours Devotion.

Celebrating A Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary This Year? -- Were you married in 1967 or 1992? Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2017 Marriage Jubilee Mass to be celebrated on Sunday, October 15th at 2:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church in Potomac Falls, VA. Contact the parish office to register, *no later than September 22nd*. For more information, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM.

Perpetual Adoration -- St. Michael is one of the few parishes in the entire Diocese with perpetual adoration. How lucky we are! If you have been considering signing up for a regular hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament, please contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468. Currently, we are in most need for members on: Mondays 2-3 p.m.; Wednesdays midnight-1 a.m.; Thursdays 9-10 a.m.; and Fridays 4-5 a.m.

FORMED – What is it and why is it a unique source of all things Catholic? -- FORMED is something like Catholic Netflix only better. It has the full scope of media – video study material (many with study guides), audio study material, ebooks, movies, and audio books. The number of resources has almost tripled since a year ago when we first took a parish subscription. The material is age appropriate from pre-reader to senior adult. If you already registered, check out what is now to study, watch, listen to, or read. Go to FORMED.org with your email and password; if you did not already register, go to FORMED.org and register (St. Michael’s parish code is: **6VZDHB**). The code is for anyone registered in the parish or living in the parish bounds. Call Deacon McCaffrey (571-643-6895) if there are any questions.

ST. MICHAEL’S SENIORS (50+) GROUP

What: Bus trip to Emmitsburg, MD -- includes lunch at Shamrock Inn, Mass & tour of Seton Shrine.

When: Friday, October 13, 2017

Time: Leave St. Michael’s parking lot adjacent to the church promptly at 9:30 a.m. Return approx. 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$59 for group members; \$63 for non-group members

Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, October 3, 2017.

Reserve early as we are limited to 36 attendees.

Mail reservation checks, payable to St. Michael’s Seniors (SMS), to Geri Owen, 7119 Falcon Street, Annandale, VA 22003. **Must include choice of entrée for lunch:**

- 1.) Crab cake with caper tartar sauce
 - 2.) Sauteed chicken breast with mushroom basil butter
 - 3.) Baked Irish bourbon glazed salmon with herbed tomato
- All are accompanied (family style) by red bliss potatoes, and green beans, home baked breads, beverages and dessert.

Come join us on a bus trip to Emmitsburg, MD with lunch at the Shamrock Inn, Mass at Seton Shrine Basilica followed by a guided tour (handicap accessible) of the Shrine & areas/buildings surrounding the Basilica. These include the Stone House — Ann Seton’s first permanent home in Emmitsburg. On July 31, 1809 she established the first congregation of sisters founded in the US, the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph’s. She also founded the first free Catholic School for girls in the US. As always, there is a gift shop in the Visitors Center.

Please Pray for: John Carlson; Charles Salvo*; Elizabeth Medved*; Beatrice Clark*; Robert and Courtney Villareal*; Tracy Wilson; Maria Pozar*; Rosemary Dooley*; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Kerrinckx*; Richard Owen*; Marissa Ann Wuerthele*; Jean O. Cole; Lilia Prieto; Tuy Nguyen*; Cathy Callaghan*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland*; Rose Guinan*; Dan Keller; Lili Lang; June & Norman Grimm*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Carlton Hanson; Sr. Paul Marie; Dan Weiler*; Delia Sinn; Julie Molony Lee; Joe Meister; William Jeoff Robbins; Mary Roche*; Marco Tulio Gamba; Terry Spragens; Madelyn Respicio Cabatic; Rose Bledsoe; Bob Cafarella; Terry Chuppe; Elsa Noriega*; Paul

McEnrue*; Lois McEnrue*; Julia Garcia; John and Marie Si-benik*; Margaret Johnson*; Charlie Wisecarver*; Theresa Corcoran*; Jean Kratochvil*; Irma Barrera; *with apologies to anyone we dropped; to re-add names call the Parish Office for next week.*

Here are the names of family members -- of parishioners who are serving our country overseas: PFC Mark Haugh, USMC; Cdr. David Stabish, USNavy; Alex Puentes USNavy; Sgt. Ramsey Hamilton; LtJG Grace Dalton, USNavy; Ens. Andre Acevedo, USNavy; Maj. John D. Barringer, III, USAF; LCpl Benjamin C. Martino, USMC; Lt. Matthew Becker USNavy; and... [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we’ll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE
OLD RELIGIOUS PICTURES, CARDS, BOOKS,
OR OTHER OBJECTS IN ANY
OF THE CHURCH VESTIBULES OR LIBRARY—
THEY WILL BE THROWN OUT.**

School News

Saint Michael School is having their first fundraiser of the school year. Students are selling 'Mixed Bags'. You can order on line at www.mixedbagdesigns.com/?fundraiserid=58339. If you would like a catalog please call the school office at 703-256-1222. This fundraiser ends on September 19th.

Registration is NOW OPEN for Preschool 3 – through 8th Grade — Saint Michael School is dedicated to teaching the whole child. Our teachers and staff are committed to the success of each student. For a tour of our school, or if you have any questions, please call Michelle Kennedy at the school office 703-256-1222.

Religious Education

CCD Classes (Kindergarten through 8th grade) -- have begun! Sunday afternoon classes are from 1:45 to 3 PM. Monday night classes are from 6 to 7 PM. All classes take place in the Junior School Building.

HIGH SCHOOL -- age students meet Sunday evenings (6 - 7 PM) to explore, discuss, and expand their knowledge of the Catholic Faith. All young adults of high school age in the parish are strongly encouraged to attend (whether Catholic, private, public, or home schooled). We meet in the All-Purpose Room of the Junior School Building.

"COFFEE TALKS" -- 2-3 PM All Purpose Room. This week's discussion topic - "Back to Basics: Let's recover them."