



St. Michael's Messenger

March 22, 2020

Dear St. Michaels family,

For the next two Sundays, Bishop Waldo has suspended services throughout the Diocese as a precaution as we are doing our best to get ahead of the spreading of COVID-19. Therefore, I encourage you to pray in your home *Sunday Morning* daily office the next two weeks. Bishop Waldo says he expects to lift this suspension by April 5, but this cannot be guaranteed at this point.

You might use Morning Prayer: Rite two on page 75; Noonday Prayer, on page 103; and Evening Prayer: Rite two, on page 109. Please pray for those on your heart, including the sick. A good resource is an app found at DailyOffice.app. Also, another good resource is our Trinity Cathedral in Columbia. They have a website with a full complement of services daily.

If you recite Daily Offices during this period of time away, keep a record of the service, date, and number of people praying in your house. When we get back together, I will collect your records, tally up the total, and enter it into the Church Register of Services as witness to St. Michael's constancy as a praying community.

In the short term all gatherings are canceled while we endure this situation. Tia is working regular office hours and I am always available. We will endure this challenge. Also, please contact folks that might be alone and encourage them and assist them if needed. Please let me know of anyone that needs help. It is important for us to stay in contact during this time, for each day seems to bring changes. Know you all are in my prayers, please keep me in yours.

Until further notice, we will cancel Sunday services, Wednesday 11:30 service, all meetings, choir practice, meet and eat, AA meetings, adopt a highway and all other activities until we get a handle on COVID-19. If we all help in this effort it will speed up the recovery time, and we can get back together.

"May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13 Amen

Faithfully,
Fr. Lee+



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WISH
LIST

We are still in need of UCM items, please drop by office

1lb Bag Rice - Grits - Oatmeal
Cereal - Saltines - Fruit Juice

SAVE THE DATE:

The ECW Yard Sale is Saturday,
May 2. Rain date is Saturday May
9. Details to come soon.



How long should you scrub your hands? At least 20 seconds, according to the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov). As you've probably heard, that's the same amount of time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday to You" twice.

OFFICE HOURS: The church office hours will remain the same as of right now. Tia will be in the church office Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9-2. If you need any assistance please call or visit the office during this time.

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| 1 BOB ATKINSON | 14 ASHLEY KEYES |
| 2 NEERAJ SHARMA | 15 BARBARA MARCY |
| 3 ANTHONY HANCOX | 16 REBECCA BOROWSKI |
| 4 PRICE ATKINSON | 19 EMMA JANE ZAHER |
| 6 MELVIN ERWIN | 20 ELAINE PARNELL |
| 8 JORDAN VALENTIN | 21 ALICIA KLING |
| 8 ROBBIE LAKE | 22 BUBBA KESLER |
| 9 JOHN CLEVELAND | 25 SANDY ARTHUR |
| 10 JUSTIN KEATING | 26 THOMAS MCCABE |
| 10 BETSY SMITH | 27 MARY BETH STROUD |
| 12 CHERYL BOROWSKI | 30 MYRNA PULLEY |
| 12 BRIAN ARTHUR | |

God Bless You On Your Birthday!

Please let Tia in the church office know if we missed your birthday.



Staying Safe

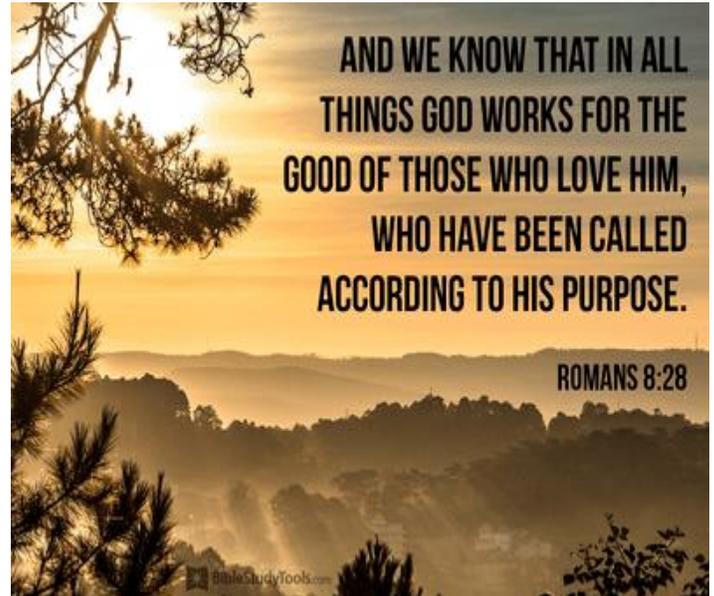
Some retail chains have released special shopping hours for the elderly and individuals with underlined health conditions. If you fall into this category please check with the store and try to shop during these time hours. Also, please reach out to others that may not be able to get out to make sure they have what they need. Please stay safe and healthy!

Blessings,

Tia

God is Love. 1 John 4:8

There is a Piano in the Parish Hall that needs a new home. We would like for it to go to a Parish Member. Anyone interested please contact Ethel Lawler.



Welcoming all to a relationship with God through Christ; serving in our community



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