

# St. Michael's Messenger

November 10, 2024



The Rector's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Michael's.

"I sing a song of the saints of God, patient, brave, and true..." (Hymn 293) Sunday's All Saints Service was beautiful. The flowers, music, servers, the faithful in attendance, the renewal of our Baptismal Vows, etc., everything was a joyful praise to God and remember all of our saints. I was glad to see a good number of our 8:30 AM service population present at the later service. Plus, it was great for all of us to get an extra hour of sleep following the time change. It is too bad that 6 PM now feels like 10 PM, but I hope that changes soon...

Yesterday, we had our first mid-week healing service. We had eight present. I was over the moon that we had more than just me. The service is at 11 AM on Weds. All are welcome! Remember, if you know someone who might benefit from this service, please invite them and please come with that person as a visible sign of your Christian love for them.

In the life of our Diocese, this weekend is our Diocesan Convention. It is being held at Trinity Cathedral, in Columbia. For all things convention, you can <u>click here</u> for information. Our delegates are Tom McCabe, Mark Pesnell, and me. In your prayer time, please remember us. Look for some convention pictures next week and on social media.

Last Saturday, we had the investiture of our new Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Sean Rowe. Thank you, Bishop Curry for your presence these last nine years. I pray he can rest. It has been tough to watch him struggle with his health. The Office of Presiding Bishop is an amazing calling. It has to be an incredibly stressful calling, though. There is a great write up about the service <a href="here">here</a>, complete with the new Presiding Bishop's first sermon.

Last week, I mentioned that I was working to get the most up to date Upper South Carolina disaster response for our neighbors in Western North Carolina. I am still struggling to get good information. I hope that while at convention, I can learn more. Until then, please use this link.

Finally, I am working to develop a good rotation to visit our home bound parishioners and I need folks' help. First, if you know of a home bound person, please let me know of the person. Second, if you feel moved by the Holy Spirit, please reach out to me so we can have discernment about you becoming a Lay Eucharistic Visitor. My thanks to Elaine Parnell who has worked tirelessly to bring Holy Communion to those who cannot make it to services.

Have a great weekend, everyone. Pray for others. Love others. Respond to the needs of others. Share the Good News with others. See you Sunday.

Faithfully,

Fr. Dan

St. M's has adopted a highway to clean on Sat, Nov. 23 at 9am. We will meet at the church. Adults only please as we are working along a busy highway. Remember your work gloves and plan to join us for breakfast afterwards! If you plan on participating, please sign up, so that John knows who to notify if the clean-up is postponed.

FR. DAN'S CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY SERVICE: All are invited to Fr. Dan's installation service on Wed, Nov. 29 at 6:00 pm.

**NOVEMBER ECM:** The ECM meeting will be <u>NEXT</u> Thurs. Nov. 7. The social is at 6:30 and meal at 7:00. The meal will be chili, salad and cornbread. Come early to fellowship. The cost of the meal will be split among those attending. Please signup so we know how much food to prepare.

**PLEDGE CARDS:** We will be preparing the 2025 budget soon. To date, we have received 20 pledges cards. Please, prayerfully consider making a financial commitment to St. Michael's. The deadline to return them is Sun., Nov 24.

LET THE MEN DO THE COOKING: The ECM will prepare your Thanksgiving Day ham or turkey as a fundraiser to support community outreach. Fried or smoked turkeys and smoked hams are \$40 each. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board to place your order (be sure to put the phone number for the day of pickup). All orders due by Sun., Nov. 24. Pick up will be Wed., Nov. 27. Please be sure to tell your family and friends.

## **SERVING SUNDAY 11/10/24**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Daniel A. Wagner

Organist and Choirmaster: Nancy Owens

Altar Guild: Teri Swann Eucharistic Ministers:

8:30 Robert Pinkston 10:30 Mark Pesnell Lectors: 8:30 Robert Pinkston

10:30 Bob Cook

Acolytes: 8:30 Jay Achterhoff

10:30 John Dickey

Greeters: 8:30 Rick Parnell

10:30 Bob & Ellie Cook Vestry Open-up: John Cleveland

Vestry Lock-up: Ellie Cook



11/10	11:30	Finance Meeting
11/13	11:00	Midweek Healing Service
11/14	6:00	Vestry Meeting
11/17	9:30	DOK Meeting
11/20	11:00	Midweek Healing Service
11/20	6:00	Fr. Dan's Celebration Service
11/23	9:00	Adopt A Highway
11/27	11:00	Midweek Healing Service
11/27		ECM Ham & Turkey Pickup
11/27	4:30	Choir Practice
11/28		Happy Thanksgiving!

JESUS CALLED HIS DISCIPLES TO
HIM AND SAID, "TRULY I TELL YOU,
THIS POOR WIDOW HAS PUT MORE
THAN ALL THE OTHERS INTO THE
TREASURY.
- MARK 12:43



## **NOVEMBER**

- 1 Salvina Cascio-Brewer
- 5 Joy Moss
- 7 Zoe Wyatt
- 9 Jay Achterhoff
- 10 Gail Reuning
- 12 Sally Goller
- 13 Craig Stone
- 18 Carr Lee March
- 22 Sheree Chapman
- 24 Mary Jane Ashmore
- 28 Edie Smith

May God Bless You
On Your Birthday!!

### **DOK PROJECTS:**

#### -TITLE ONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

-Please join our DOK in providing socks and underwear donations for Title 1 elementary schools in our county. **Project end date 12/08/24**.

-WARMTH & COMFORT FOR THE ELDERLY: The DOK is also helping with a project for the elderly in our county. If you have any new travel size toiletries to contribute, please place them in the marked basket on the table in the Narthex. **Project end date 11/24/24**. Thank you for your participation.

-SAVE THE DATE: The <u>first 2 Sundays in</u>
<u>December</u>, St. M's will be collecting your gently used, clean coats for all ages, sizes, and genders to help UCM with their coat drive.



HOW ARE WE DOING: We have received 27 shoeboxes to date. Last year we sent 28 boxes. Can exceed that number this year? Remember to include \$10 in each box for shipping and a label for girl or boy. Make check for shipping, payable to Samaritan's Purse. Your boxes are due NEXT SUDAY 11/17/24.