



St. Michael's Messenger

March 16, 2025



The Rector's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Michael's,

From the time that I interviewed with the Search Committee, I heard all about The St. Michael's Annual Oyster Roast. Having just experienced it, I am in amazement. The event takes everyone to make it happen. It takes all of us giving our all – our time, talent, and treasure (and yes, energy!). Thanks be to God, our net from the event is \$6,564.05. It is my understanding that this is our highest total to date. My thanks to Rick Parnell and Marie Miller and the whole committee who took our talents and placed them in the right places. It will be a joy and honor to send these funds back into the community as we love our neighbors. One final note about the Oyster Roast. Mosely Hardy took lots of pictures.

Recently, Sue McClure fell at her apartment and that has required her to undergo in-house rehabilitation. Sue is doing great and will be released shortly – Thanks be to God! She looks forward to being reunited with her dear Oliver. Why not send her a note of love and support? Sue's address is:

Sue McClure
5130 Wescott Blvd.
Apt. 3136
Summerville, SC 29485

As a reminder, we continue with our Lenten Study – Bridging Lent to Easter. In this discussion, we study the Gospel lessons in Lent (video and discussion). On Wednesdays, we have our Healing Service at 11 AM and then the class roughly ten minutes later. Plus, we have a brief Order of Evening Worship at 5:30 and then the class. On Fridays, we have Stations of the Cross at 5 PM. This service is a quiet one that traces Jesus' steps from Pilate to the Cross and the Tomb. It is a great spiritual discipline (something to consider to take on in Lent instead of refraining from something).

On Sundays, we will use the Penitential Order (Confession at the beginning of the service), Prayers of the People (Form IV), Eucharistic Prayer C (which has the Lenten invitation to "Return to God"), and a Lenten Solemn Prayer instead of a blessing. At this time, Nancy Owens has broken her left hand. Tomorrow, she will have surgery. Let us all keep her and Ken in prayer. Consequently, our music might be reduced some.

However, given the Lenten season, it is appropriate to have "muted" worship. When you come to church on Sunday, see if you notice anything different in the Nave... Speaking of music, thanks for responding well to The Great Litany!

Finally, we will have a Commissioning of Candidates during The Peace at our 10:30 AM Service. Ethan Carroll will be our candidate for Happening (March 21-23) and Sheree Chapman will be our candidate for Cursillo (March 27-March 30). Cursillo and Happening are spiritual renewal events for adults and youth, respectfully. Please hold them both in prayer.

Have a great week everyone. I pray all of us are now used to Daylight Savings Time. I'll see you at church!

Faithfully,
Fr. Dan

LENTEN SEASON: Please remember that alleluias are omitted from the Liturgy during the Lenten Season, as this is a pertinent time and our worship is muted. After we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, we will return to including alleluias in our Worship.

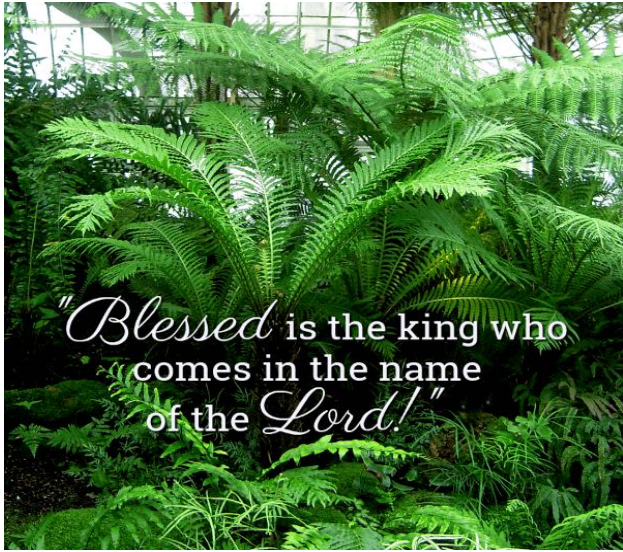
LENT WORSHIP: As we are in Lent, we will use the Penitential Order (BCP 352) and Eucharistic Prayer C (BCP 369). This Sunday 3/16, we will use The Decalogue (BCP 350). The aim of using these offerings is to enhance our Lenten experience and use as much of the Prayer Book as possible within a year.

LENTEN STUDY: We will have a video and discussion of the upcoming Gospel lessons during Lent. We will have our 11 AM Healing Service and class following that service. At 5:30 PM, we will have brief worship and the same class for those who are unable to make it earlier in the day. Come and try these worship and education opportunities.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: While Stations of the Cross have been done on Good Friday only, this year we will offer them each Friday in Lent in the Church at 5 PM. This is a quiet, though powerful, spiritual discipline. We will have Stations on Good Friday as in previous years. With any questions, please see Fr. Dan.

MARCH MEET 'N' EAT: We will meet Thursday, March 27 at 6 PM at Merrell's Pizza in the Doodle Station in Easley (101 NE Main St). Sign-up on the Parish Hall bulletin board.

EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS: Forms for Easter Flowers are on the visitor table. If you would like to dedicate a flower, please turn a form into the office no later than April 13. The suggested amount for a flower is \$25 and can be placed in the offering plate or turned into the office. Checks need to indicate Easter flower in the subject line.



*"Blessed is the king who
comes in the name
of the Lord!"*

CALENDAR

03/19	11:00	Mid-week Healing Service & Class
03/19	4:30	Choir Practice
03/19	5:30	Mid-Week Service & Class
03/20	6:00	Vestry Meeting
03/21	5:00	Stations of the Cross
03/22	10:00	DOK Quiet
03/26	11:00	Mid-week Healing Service & Class
03/26	4:30	Choir Practice
03/26	5:30	Mid-Week Service & Class
03/27	6:00	March Meet 'n' Eat
03/28	5:00	Stations of the Cross
04/02	11:00	Mid-week Healing Service & Class
04/02	4:30	Choir Practice
04/02	5:30	Mid-Week Service & Class
04/04	5:00	Stations of the Cross
04/09	11:00	Mid-week Healing Service & Class
04/09	4:30	Choir Practice
04/09	5:30	Mid-Week Service & Class
04/10	6:30	April ECM Social
04/11	5:00	Stations of the Cross

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DOK QUIET DAY: The Daughters of the King will host a Quiet Day on Sat., March 22 from 10:00 AM to Noon. It's a time to reflect and pray or simply sit quietly in the presence of the Lord. All are invited.



MARCH

2	Neeraj Sharma
6	Rebecca Borowski
8	Robbie Lake
9	John Cleveland
10	Justin Keating
	Betsy Smith
12	Cheryl Borowski
13	Clarise Colon
	Kerin Colon
15	Barbara Marcy
20	Elaine Parnell
26	Thomas McCabe
27	Mary Beth Stroud
30	Myrna Pulley

*May God Bless You
On Your Birthday!!*

SERVING SUNDAY 03/16/25

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Daniel A. Wagner

Organist and Choirmaster: Nancy Owens

Altar Guild: Ethel Lawler

Eucharistic Ministers:

8:30 Sarah Mikell

10:30 John Dickey

Lectors: 8:30 Sarah Mikell

10:30 April Morris

Acolytes: 8:30 Betty Jo Shaw

10:30 Ethan Carroll

Greeters: 8:30 Robbie Lake

10:30 Bob & Ellie Cook

Vestry Open-up Church: Wardens & Fr. Dan Wagner

Vestry Lock-up Church: Prissy Golas