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Father Michael's Musings

The Church has four major Holy Days. We are all familiar with Christmas and Easter, but we might not be as familiar with the other two Holy Days. The third of these Holy Days is Epiphany which is celebrated on January 6th. Epiphany commemorates the arrival of the three wise men to visit the infant Jesus, sacramentally their arrival is the announcement to the Gentiles of the Good News (the Gospel) that the Messiah has arrived, and salvation is extended to all people.

The fourth of the great Holy Days is Pentecost, also called Whitsunday. The Book of the Acts in the Bible contains the writings concerning the Ascension and Pentecost. Following the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter, Jesus remains with his disciples, teaching and comforting them, for forty days. On the fortieth day, Jesus and his disciples walk to a mountain where he returns to heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father and to prepare a place where we will be with Him, we celebrate this event as the Ascension. Prior to his Ascension, Jesus tells the Apostles that he will send his Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to give them the full understanding of his teaching and the power to establish His Church and preach the Good News. Ten days after the Ascension, the Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles, as tongues of fire. We learn also from the Book of Acts that although the room was filled with people whose native tongues were different than the Hebrew spoken by the Apostles, each person heard the preaching in their own native tongue. This miracle is the fulfillment of the command that the Gospel should be preached to the whole world, and the Church, as administered by the Apostles, would have the ministry of delivering the Word to all people. The Holy Spirit establishes, empowers and directs the church through the Apostles and their successors. Filled with the Holy Spirit, the Apostles emerged from hiding and boldly preached the Gospel. That gift is the reason we celebrate Pentecost.



We see the commemoration of Pentecost reflected by the Church in several ways. The hat worn by a Bishop is called a Mitre. Since the Bishop is a successor of the Apostles, by training and by special anointing, the Mitre is shaped as the tongue of flame that descended upon each of the Apostles at Pentecost. Pentecost is also a common day for the administration of Confirmation. Confirmation is the time when adults commit to the vows that were made on their behalf to God when they were baptized as children. It marks adult membership in the Church and access to the sacrament of Communion. At confirmation, the confirmand receives a special anointing by the Bishop, which confers the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit; wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.

Please join us as we celebrate Pentecost on May 19th.

God Bless,

Michael +

PARISH.LIFE.

Parish Life is open to all members of St. Patrick's Anglican Church. Parish Life plans and executes all parish events.

Cinco De Mayo Potluck Dinner

Saturday May 4th 6:00 PM

Make and Bring your favorite Mexican Dish to share.

Sign Up Sheet in
Dorman Hall.



Ladies Lunch Out & (Gentleman too)

No Ladies Lunch Out in May. Next Lunch out will be June 16th, Durango Steakhouse. Please let **Carolyn Kerouac** know if you plan to attend; 203-500-9098

Veterans, Veteran Spouses, and First Responder Breakfast

On the last Saturday of the month we hold our **Veterans, Veteran Spouses, and First Responder Breakfast**. Next scheduled breakfast is **Saturday May 25th at 9:00 AM** (last Saturday of the month). Flyers are available to distribute in Dorman Hall. A sign up sheet for Breakfast items is in the Hall as well. Please see **Fr. Chet or Andrea Mustafa** for items needed.



Ladies Fellowship & Craft Group

Meets the 3rd Monday of the Month. Next meeting is **Monday May 20th at 6:00 PM**. Bring a craft or project or come to learn a craft. Light snacks provided. Please see **Mandy Valko** for more information, 317-601-3216.



Student Sunday School

We continue to have Student Sunday School on **Sundays during the 10:00 AM service**. Sunday School is open to all Students in 1st grade to 8th grade. Students will exit after announcements and return for communion. We follow the church lectionary and seasons. The program includes bible study and activities.

If you have children or grandchildren who are not able to attend our Student Sunday School—**please see Linda Simmen** as she can provide you the curriculum to download. Last day of Sunday School is Sunday May 19th

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study will continue in May at 9:00 am. Fr. Mike will continue our study on the Psalms. Come join the study—coffee and good fellowship provided.



Church Work Day

On the 3rd Saturday of every month we have a **Parish Work Day**. The facilities inside and out are maintained by the hardworking people of St. Patrick's with the exception of Lawn Cutting. On **Saturday May 18th from 9am-12pm** we will be doing our normal monthly maintenance—Come for an hour or the entire time. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Contact **Linda Simmen 321-480-0927 or Patrick Valko or Greg Spak** if you have questions.

Volunteers Needed

Do you have a gift and or some time on your hands that you can share with St. Patrick's? We are seriously in need of some help in the following areas outside of the monthly workday.




- Facebook Live Recording (Sunday, Wednesday, & Fridays)
- Taking the Trash Cans to the curb & putting them back (Monday & Thursday-Take to curb-Tuesday & Friday Put back)
- General cleaning of the church, library, bathrooms and parish hall. Wednesday's 8am by arrangement.
- Greeters and Coffee Hour hosts.

See Fr. Michael Kerouac



Our Parish offers prayers daily for people on the Prayer List. To add a name to the Prayer List please contact one of the clergy of the church or call 321-802-1311 or add on our website: www.stpatrickspsj.org

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Paula Allen Wayne Croghan Samenta Gonzalez Angela Hueter	Birthdays & Anniversaries Troy McCurrin David & Gina Otero Isabella Rivira Allen & Carol York Remi Kerouac Allan Hallaby & Emmy Santiago		1 <i>St. Philip & St. James</i> Morning Prayer (Streamed) Eucharist 6:00 PM Live & Streamed	2 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	3 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Streamed)	4 Celebration of Life: Gloria Kleba 1:00 PM
5 <i>Rogation Sunday</i> 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Student SS.	6 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	7 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	8 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Eucharist 6:00 PM Live & Streamed	9 Ascension Day Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Service 6:00 PM	10 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Streamed)	11
12 <i>Sunday after Ascension—Mother's Day</i> 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Student SS.	13 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	14 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	15 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Eucharist 6:00 PM Live & Streamed	16 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	17 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Streamed)	18 Church Workday 9:00am—12:00 pm 
19 <i>Pentecost</i> 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Sunday School Party Vestry Meeting	20 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Ladies Fellowship & Craft Group 6:00 PM 	21 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	22 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Eucharist 6:00 PM Live & Streamed	23 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	24 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Streamed)	25 Veteran's Breakfast 9:00 AM 
26 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) No Student SS	27 Memorial Day Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	28 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	29 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Eucharist 6:00 PM Live & Streamed	30 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	31 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	

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St. Patrick's Anglican Church is a caring loving community. Please join us for one of the Sunday or Weekday Services.

The Diocese of the Eastern United States is a vibrant and growing family of parishes serving our Christian family from Pennsylvania to Florida. As members of the worldwide Traditional Anglican Church, The Anglican Church in America, we are part of Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. Our teaching and practice are based soundly on the Holy Bible and the traditional Book of Common Prayer.

Archbishop Juan Garcia

Bishop William Bower, SSC

Rev. Fr. Michael Kerouac, Rector

Rev. Fr. Tim Gouge, Vicar

Rev. Fr. Chester O'Brien, Curate

Service Times

Sunday Communion Service

8:00 AM Service – Live

10:00 AM Service –Live & Streamed
5th Sunday Healing Service and Fellowship –Next June 30th.

Wednesday Communion Service

6:00 PM Service—Live & Streamed

Morning Prayer Services

Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Thurs.– Fri.

9:00 AM—Streamed

Evening Prayer Service

9:00 AM—Streamed

Vestry: Senior Warden: Andrea Mustafa; Treasurer: Lea Malarae; Secretary: Linda Gould, Vestry at Large: Georgia Weston, Linda Simmen & Mike Brady

Count Down to Synod 2024

7 week countdown to Synod 2024 (June 25-28)

Registrations are just coming in. We expect 35 people to attend and need as many hands helping !

Here are some of the jobs:

- Welcoming bags for each attendee will be assembled.
- Setup for tables and chairs in Parish Hall.
- Planning and cooking for light breakfast, lunches and Hospitality Room snacks.
- Clean up crews.
- Transportation if needed.
- Checking all bathrooms for a freshening and TP supply.
- Greeters. Registration.
- Check coffee and drinks to restock or refill.

Sign up in Dorman Hall on table.

See Carolyn Kerouac 203.500.9098 cell