The Weekly Trumpet



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THE SEASON OF ADVENT



The word "Advent" derives from the Latin adventus, meaning "coming." The season of Advent is a time of preparation and anticipation for the advent or coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, leading up to the celebration of Christmas and the mystery of Christ's incarnation. While preparation for the humble birth of Jesus is undoubtedly a focus of the season, Advent is equally focused on the second coming of Christ, inviting the faithful to reflective preparation for the coming reign of God. Advent is characterized by expectant restraint, which is reflected in the music, Scripture, and prayers of the liturgy. -- copied

Pick up a copy of the 2026 Advent Devotional Book: Living Well Through Advent:
Practicing Patience with All Your Heart, Spirit, Body and Mind.
They are available at no charge in the narthex and parish office.



GREETER-USHER

Ushering at Saint Michael and All Angels is first and foremost a ministry of hospitality. Ushers greet and welcome parishioners and visitors, distribute bulletins, assist with seating and special needs, collect and present the offering, usher communicants, in addition to a few more important and timely tasks to ensure the warmest of welcomes for all.. When available, ushers serve as needed for funerals and other special services. This is a very rewarding experience and offers opportunities to meet and make new friends. **Should you be interested in joining the Usher Ministry, please contact Lu Moseley** at (256) 343-3600 or **lumoseley@outlook.com.**

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL LEADER OR HELPER

There are a couple of opportunities open or persons who feel called to volunteer to lead or assist in our Children's Chapel Ministry. Routinely, notwithstanding modest preparation time, one could reasonably expect to help facilitate this important liturgical ministry with our children (presently, ages 6-12) an average of **one Sunday per month**. Children's Chapels follows the structure of Liturgy of the Word before joining their families/friends in "big Church" in time for Eucharist.

Life in community requires a cycle of leading and participating. Whether you feel called as a leader or not this year, please contact Father David at (256) 225-3625 or **dhodnett@stmichaelsanniston.org** to learn more about Children's Ministries and ways for you and your family to get connected here.

It's almost December…do you know where you pledge card is?
If you have turned yours in, please do so as soon as possible
to help us plan a stellar year of ministry and mission in 2027!

SUNDAY AT SAINT MICHAEL…

Childcare/Adult Christian Education: 9:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist: Rite II/Children's Chapel: 10:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour

The Rev. David Hodnett, Celebrant/Preacher

Serving Sunday:
Children's Chapel: Jana Garcia/Eula Mae Robinett
Altar Guild: Keith and Donna Timmons
Ushers: Lu Moseley and Danny Williams
Acolytes: Asher Reneau and Kennedy O'Dell
Lectors: Amanda and Michael Horne
Eucharistic Ministers: Erich and Aileen Reneau
Offering Counter: Lu Moseley
Coffee Hour Hostess: Lu Moseley:

THE WEEK AHEAD…

Monday, November 30, 5:30 p.m. – Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting (Parish Hall)
Tuesday, December 1, 11:00 a.m. Rector's Advent Study – Outreach Building Gathering Space—
A look at Music of Eternity: Meditations for Advent with Anglican Writer and Mystic Evelyn Underhill (1874-1941) by Robyn Wrigley Carr
Wednesday, December 2, 11:30 a.m. – Midweek Holy Eucharist: Rite One (Chapel)

'TIS THE SEASON…



It is time to place orders for poinsettias to adorn the altar at Christmas in honor and/or in memory of loved ones. Each year, our beautiful poinsettias come from Rainbow Omega, a faith-based, non-profit organization that provides vocational and residential programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The cost for each poinsettia is $15. Dedication forms with envelopes are available in the narthex and parish office. **The deadline for ordering is Monday, December 16.** If paying by check, please make payable to the church and write "Christmas poinsettia" on the memo line of the check. Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS…

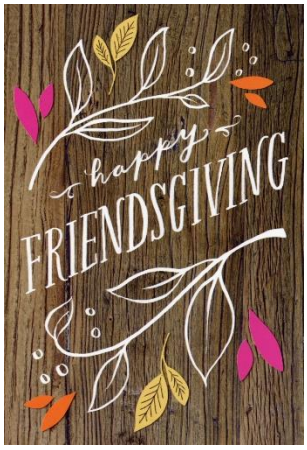
Our daily prayers for one another and those we love strengthen our bonds and help form us as a loving community, truly a parish family.

Parish Family: Ellen and Tubby Bass; Jason Frazier; K. C. Hayes; Philip Haynes; Charles Johnson; Philip Laminack; Joan McKinney; Dave Marshall; Charles Moffett; Ken Perry; Carol Potter; Christine Marsh Sullivan; Eleanor Youngblood; and Roger Zeimet

Family and Friends: Jack Bowen (Long); Carol Calton (Brown); Jerry and Joan Colson (Laminack); Taffy Cruse (Knight); Darlene and James (Cuneo); Kent Davis (Ford); Greta Deaver; Tavares and Felicia Donerlson (McNulty); Shirley Doty (Robinett); Aubrey and Patti Duke (Patrick Duke); Betty Lou Greene (Reneau); Dixon Hayes (Ford); Cooper Houston (Katie Houston); Danny Hubsky (Weeks); Lauren Johnson (Bass); Kenneth (Marshall); Ashleigh Lambert (Tuerke); Charlotte Linn (Ghee); Sarah Hope McBrayer (Marshall); Doris Mason (Knight); Donna Morgan (Laminack); James Richardson (Galeano); Will Shipman (Hollingsworth); Stefanie and Keith Smith (E. Wilkins); Richard Thompson (Ghee); Casey Turner (Ghee); Jimmy Tyson (Hollingsworth); and Marty Winters (Hodnett)

Active Duty Military: Capt. Ben Glass, USAF; Capt. Charles Lewis, Jr., USAF; Kalan McKinney (Marshall); Parker Moore; Clifford "CJ" Roberts (Harris); Brittney Smith (Harris); and Eryn Wolfe (Marshall)

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP TODAY FOR OUR ADVENT FRIENDSGIVING...IT'S FOR EVERYONE!
Sunday, December 6, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Lagarde Hall



It will be more wonderful...and certainly more fun... if we ALL get together!! Plus, invite a friend a two!!
(Car rides available, upon request: Contact David Hodnett (256) 225-3625

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D4EAFAC23A7FB6-67636031-friendsgiving

Difficulty Signing Up? Questions? Contact Aileen Reneau: **aileen.reneau@gmail.com** or (256) 343-9002

MISPLACED YOUR PLEDGE CARD?
YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR PLEDGE ONLINE!

Plenty Good Room

How is God *calling* you to share your love, your time, your abilities, and your financial gifts to strengthen and expand God's kingdom through the church?

When we each respond faithfully and generously, we help make this parish a living expression of Christ's love—a community with ***plenty good room for all***. **If you have not yet made a pledge, please do so as soon as possible so that the work of 2027 budget preparation can begin in earnest.** While none of us is exactly alike in what we are able to contribute, it truly takes all of us working--and giving--together to support the full ministries and missions of the parish. **Pledge online (follow the link below) or fill in and return a pledge card.** Additional pledge cards are available in the narthex.

bit.ly/27Stewardship

Thank you for your faithfulness, your generosity, and the many ways you make possible the ministry of our beloved parish.

Sign up TODAY to participate in a Foyer Group…especially if you are new to the parish and looking for a way to connect with people!



GOOD FOOD, WARM LAUGHTER, AND REAL COMMUNITY SHOULDN'T JUST HAPPEN ON SUNDAYS!

- *Intentionally informal and purely social (no politics, church gossip allowed!)*
- *A commitment of only couple of hours each month*
- *A fun way to really get to know each other*
- *A chance to make new friends and deepen connections*
- *The only agenda is FELLOWSHIP and EVERYONE is welcome!*

http://bit.ly/Foyer-1126

Questions?
Contact Sherry Kerr: (205) 366-0232 or sherryomr@gmail.com or
Father David: (256) 225-3625 or dhodnett@stmichaelsanniston.org.



THOUGHT ABOUT HOSTING, BUT HAVE BEEN PUTTING IT OFF?

CHECK AVAILABLE DATES ON THE SIGN-UP FORM IN THE PARISH HALL
And thanks for helping us BUILD COMMUNITY
by hosting a coffee hour!

If you have never hosted, consider teaming up with several others to do so.
Hosting a coffee is a wonderful way to share your gifts, and get to know more people

For guidance, feel free to contact Father David Hodnett
or the parish office (256-237-4011) for guidance.

A sign-up form in the parish hall or call the parish office to reserve the date.
As always, thank you for your willingness to serve and enrich our fellowship!

SAVE THE DATE: CHRISTMAS EVE FESTAL HOLY EUCHARIST – 9 P.M.