

THE MESSENGER

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Thank You....For the very kind card and generous gift that was presented to me at the luncheon after our St. Michael and All Angels patronal celebration. Your kindness towards Cyndi and I has been such a blessing over these past 15 months. We are very blessed to be here and pray it is the Lord's will for us to be here long into the future. - Fr. Beutell

Pastoral Musing...If you do not have a subscription to The Trinitarian, I suggest you pick up a copy of the September-October edition (or see the pdf. file attached to the email the newsletter came in). In it are three articles written by three of the G3 bishops, two ACC and one APA, on evangelism. Each has a unique yet complementary perspective on faithful Anglo-Catholic evangelism. What I found most complementary is how each bishop emphasizes that true evangelism comes from the "inside, out" (my words). It's ineffective for a parish to launch public schemes of evangelism (often under the guise of "church growth") without first living the evangel (the Gospel) personally and internally. Evangelism isn't generically calling people to Christ. It's calling people to *a life in Christ*; a life that priest, parishioner and parish are already living. To quote Archbishop Haverland's article "Effective parishes tend to have strong internal life, built around common prayer, the daily and weekly round of the community's Eucharistic celebration and ongoing learning. Effective parishes have strong a community life with mutual care, nurturing, service, and love. This internal life, built with sound teaching, produces something attractive to others." There are three ways to strengthen the internal life of a parish: 1. A commitment to holiness of life. Priest and parishioners must be set apart for God and have a Biblical and Catholic worldview that guides their thinking and manner of living. 2. Obedience to the Great Commission. This is as simple as telling what we know to whom we know (and then backing it up with our manner of life). 3. Being Prayerful. Pray for our parish and parishioners daily. Pray for a deft touch when visitors come, that we welcome but not smother. Pray we find ways as a parish to connect with and serve our community. The "success" of evangelistic efforts is in the hands of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:47). Our part is to be faithful and provide fertile soil for those whom He leads to us to be able to plant roots and grow. – Fr. Beutell

The 2024-25 Wednesday Bible study session has begun...We have mass each week at 10:30 a.m. and then study afterwards from 11:30 a.m. to no later than 12:45 p.m. We are studying the Book of Revelation. The study guide we are using is Coming Soon: Unlocking the Book of Revelation by Michael Barber (published by Emmaus Road). A recommended reference book is The Apocalypse Code by Hank Hanegraaff (published by Thomas Nelson). Parishioners attending the study are welcome to invite interested guests.

Sunday Catechesis...has also begun. On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month we meet in the living room of the Lagdon-White house from Noon to 12:45 pm and discuss the book Guide to the Mass (From the 1928 Book of Common Prayer) by Jackie Jamison with Fr. Sean McDermott. Whether you are new to Anglo-Catholicism or a seasoned parishioner, this book is helpful for understanding the "what's and why's" of our liturgy.

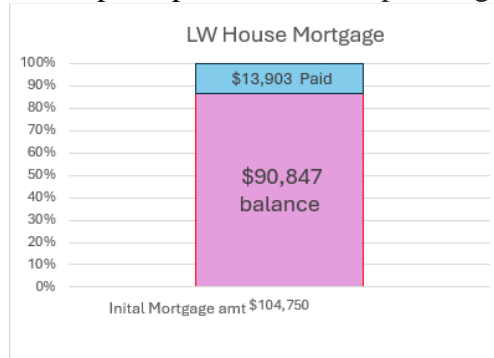
The Newsletter is now being posted on the Website... If you want to share what's going on in our parish, please tell those interested to our parish website: www.stmichaelsanglican.org and have them click on the Newsletter page. Also remember to follow our Facebook page and like and share the posts. It's also very helpful to leave a review on our Google Business listing. Here's a direct link to leave a Google review:

<https://g.page/r/CfJftlhfsiSnEAE/review> Thank you to those who have already liked, shared or left a review!

Society of Mary News... At the Saturday, September 14 meeting, Tom Garcia was installed into membership. Tom is a member of and the organist at a local LCMS church. Fr. Beutell blessed all in attendance with water from the Holy Well at Walsingham, which ward member Alan DiMaio-Leach brought back when he visited

there earlier this year. On October 12, our ward will be going to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche in St. Augustine. We will not have mass that day, but will pray the rosary at the shrine chapel and share a picnic lunch afterwards. For more information please see Sue Krall.

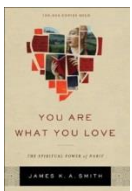
The Vestry met on September 15...Treasurer Todd Allerton reported tithes last 6 weeks were \$1977 and for the last 3 months: \$6800 (July was significantly below average) Expenses the last 3 months were \$7278 (this includes extra principal toward LW Hall mortgage). The mortgage has been shortened by seven months by paying an extra \$1000.00 per month on the principle. Here is an updated graph on the LW Mortgage pay down:



November is being designated a Stewardship Month. Information will be attached to the November newsletter.

Parish Workday and BBQ on Saturday, October 19 We'll start working at 9:00 a.m. and then eat lunch and stop for fellowship around Noon. A sign up sheet will be posted in the parish house. Family and friends are all invited to the picnic portion of the day. See Laurie McDonagh for more information.

Theology on Tap...Our second theology on tap will be Sunday, October 27 from 5-7 pm. We will meet either at the Longhorn Steakhouse on CR 220 on Fleming Island (in front of the Home Depot) or again at the Loop. The book we will be discussing is You Are What You Love by James K.A. Smith. New copies of the book cost about \$15.00 and good used copies cost about \$6.00. There's a signup sheet in the parish hall for those who plan to attend.



In October...Fr. Beutell will be staying at the church through the day on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. If you would like to meet with him or have suggestions for places he can go to learn more about the area and / or represent the parish, please let him know.

40 Days for Life... is a campaign directed to lead women (and men) away from procuring abortions through the power of prayer. The faithful gather at abortion clinics across the world to participate in prayer vigil and, when the opportunity presents itself, engage in conversation with women seeking services at the clinic. 40 Days for Life is non-confrontational. We gather to pray, *not* to intimidate or bully. The Jacksonville vigil site is Planned Parenthood Powers Avenue (5978 Powers Ave.). The Fall 2024 vigil campaign began on Wednesday, September 25 and continues through Sunday, November 3. This video link provides information on what a vigil looks like <https://vimeo.com/744344266> Fr. Beutell will be joining the Fall vigil for one hour on select days. If you are interested in going with him or would like more information, please let him know.

Pre-Advent Day of Reflection...On Saturday, November 23 from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. we will have a day of reflection led by The Reverend Canon John Jacobs, rector of St. Peter the Apostle Anglican Church (ACA) in East Palatka, FL. More information will be made available in the November newsletter.