

ST. MICHAEL'S

MESSENGER

February, 2009



Our Purpose

*To bring the light, love and joy of
Jesus Christ into this world – by living the written
word, sharing the living word, and loving without
exception.*

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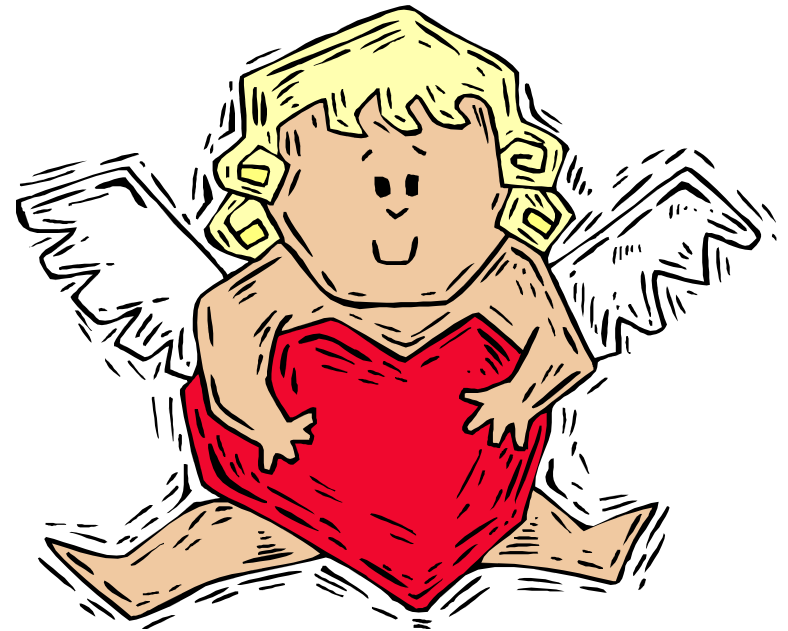
Mike Ham, Sr. Warden; and Jack Bidell, Jr. Warden

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Bob Weekley and Bruce Von Hasseln
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A Valentine from God

For God so loVed the world,
That he gAve
His onLy begotten Son,
That whosoEver
Believeth iN him
Should noT
perIsh, but have
everlastiNg
lifE.

John 3:16



PARISH NEWS

Christian One Liners

Quit griping about your church;
If it was perfect, you couldn't belong.

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If a church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray
for the one it has.

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God Himself does not propose to judge a man until
he is dead. So why should you?

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Some minds are like concrete
Thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.

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Peace starts with a smile.

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I don't know why some people change churches; what
Difference does it make which one you stay home from?

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We are called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges

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Be ye fishers of men. You catch them – He'll
Clean them.

From the Vestry:

The financial report for last month looks like this. Income was \$12,692 with expenses being \$11,106. At the year end we had a \$2230 loss as reported in the annual report.

There is no salary expense for a full/part time priest is at the current time but we still have to pay our Deacon and supply priests. With our faith budget, we are sure that our congregation has made the commitment to support our financial needs. Please keep up your pledge so that we will be able to keep up with the increased winter bills and be able to support our new priest as we search for the one God has waiting for us.

FAT TUESDAY CASUAL DINING

Mark your calendars on Tuesday, Feb 24th from 5-7PM there will be a casual dining experience in the parish hall hosted by your Vestry. This is the day before ASH Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. There will be sign-up sheets posted in the parish. This will be different in as much as it will be a "Taco & Burrito" make your own dinner. There are many different items that you can put together for a total dining experience and each person attending will be a party to that experience.

You will be asked to provide a small item, such as, 2 cups of chopped onions or tomatoes or refried beans. There will be a \$1 donation for each person attending and that will go to the St Al's Food Pantry.

After that, there will be a Eucharist Service upstairs at 7:30PM. We hope that you will bring your family and friends to this wonderful event to start off the Lenten season. Watch for more information next week. Any questions, contact Mike Ham @ 871-1190 (daytime).

Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, February 4th: WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING**
Lunch provided at 12:00 noon; meeting to follow. Please bring donations of personal care products and/or cleaning supplies to be given to Canaan House.
- **Sunday, February 8th 9:30 am:** Deacon's Service
- **Tuesday, February 10th – 7:00 pm:** Vestry Meeting
- **Saturday, February 14th: HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY**
- **Sunday, February 15th - 9:30 am:** Service of Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing with Father Sam
- **Judges' Row Block Club Meeting – 7:00 pm**
- **Tuesday, February 24th - Fat Tuesday Celebration**
- **Sunday, February 22nd at 9:30 am:** Deacon's Service
- **Wednesday, February 25th – 7:00 pm:** Ash Wednesday Service – Deacon Shirley.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

FEBRUARY

Happy Birthday to:

1st Bea Haley – 90th Birthday

2nd Joseph Colin Dedde

11th Mary Noonan

16th Dennis DiLiberto

21st Helen Neubert

28th Bob Weekley

