

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

On Sunday, November 27th, The Brotherhood of St. Michael elected its new officers for the year 2005. These new officers are: Bob DuVall - President, Bob Weekley - Vice President, Mark Bidell - Treasurer, Chuck Gardinier - Secretary, and Gary Kadow - Chaplain.

It has been an honor to serve as the President of the The Brotherhood of St. Michael these past two years, and I know that your new officers will do a wonderful job for the Brotherhood, and for St. Michael and All Angels. Please give them your support by becoming a member of the Brotherhood this year. Our dues are only \$10.00 a year, and there is an exciting year being planned. In His Love, Gary Kadow, President 2003-2004

ATTENTION LADIES!

Unfortunately, a few weeks ago one of our parishioners had money stolen from her purse when she left the pew to receive Communion. Please either take your purse with you or leave it with someone you trust when you leave your pew. Thank you.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Wardens and Vestry for the generous Christmas bonus. Thank you to all of my friends at St. Michael's as I retire after 18 years. It has been a pleasure to be with you all these years as your Sexton. I look forward to spending time with my wife and family. May God bless you all and help your church to grow in His love. *George Baer*

2004 STATEMENTS are on the tables by the elevator. Please pick up yours to save postage. Thank you.

Thank you to the Vestry and Wardens of St. Michael's for the generous Christmas gift. And thank you to all my friends in the congregation who remembered me with cards for my birthday and Christmas. You are all so much my "family" and, just as we do for any family, I keep you all in my prayers. *Madeline*

Thank you to all who have donated thus far for the Relief Effort, especially to the Episcopal Relief and Development Fund. Also, thank you to those who donated for a cow and goat. *Jan & Mike Rickard.*

Vestry for 2005

C.E.O. –

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit

Vicar – Fr. Charles Wheeler

Term expires:

Sr. Warden Jack Bidell Dec. 2005

Jr. Warden Chuck Gardinier Dec. 2006

Vestry

Mike Ham Dec. 2005

Mike Rickard Dec. 2005

Gordon Allen Dec. 2006

Bob Howard Dec. 2006

Addie Broome Dec. 2007

Carol Weekley Dec. 2007

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Beginning the first Sunday in Lent, February 13th at 10:15, there will be a class for Grades 7 and up, led by Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Gorczyca and Mrs. Weekley. Plan to attend this class to learn more about the history of our Faith.

LOST AND FOUND

There is a box in the coat room downstairs with many items which have been found. If you are missing glasses, gloves, etc. check it out. Thank you.

VICAR'S VIEWS

TWO MONTHS – AND COUNTING

I've said it often; it's a joy to be here at St. Michael and All Angels. It's hard to believe, but two (going on three) months have passed since I came as Vicar.

So much has happened during my tenure. Advent and Christmas Seasons have passed. We are now into Epiphany. Soon – very soon – it will be Lent. Our Advent Quiet Day, the Guild Luncheon, the Greening of the Church, the Christmas Eve services (complete with the traditional mini blizzards) and our Annual Meeting have been occasions of joy and community gathering. Worship, fellowship, Bible study, prayer and caring continue to characterize our common life together. Again I want to take this occasion to thank each of you for your support and love.

We look forward in the coming months to welcoming new members. Several have joined our ranks recently. The Worship Committee with Sarah DiLiberto is being reorganized and re-energized. Plans for the Celebration of New Ministry on January 30th are complete. Please plan to attend. We will welcome our new Minister of Music and Organist, Linda Seitz. She will begin this ministry in February. Thanks to Don Bliss for his faithful service.

Our Sunday Children's and Youth School is experiencing a re-birth. Thanks to our leadership team of Peg Gorczyca, Carol Weekley and Christine Wheeler.

The Men's Group has made plans to paint and do repairs in the Sacristy. Plans for needed work in the rest rooms are underway.

Two fish fries are being slated in February. Please get behind these. They won't succeed without your help! What a lively (and busy) church we have!

Above all, please pray daily

- ✓ Thanking God for His many blessings
- ✓ For our sick and shut-ins
- ✓ For our ministers, lay and ordained
- ✓ For each other
- ✓ For our church, community and the world

“May the peace of God that passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Amen

Blessings,
Father Wheeler+

WOMEN'S GUILD

Before we know it, Lent will be upon us. So many of our members will be attending Bible Study on Wednesday mornings after the 9:30 Holy Eucharist and Healing Service in the Conference Room. One of the projects Father Wheeler asked us to take over was the Library. So at our meeting last month we agreed to take this on. If you have any good books you would like to share, please mark them to the attention of Georgia Peden or Virginia Bradley when you bring them in.

Also, Olive Beutler has agreed to make some Spring floral arrangements which will be available in the Gift Shop, at least during the 2 Fish Fries on February 18th and 25th and thereafter.

Speaking of Fish Fries – though our bodies are telling us to “slow up”, many of us have volunteered to do what we can to make them a huge success. All are invited to come and give us a helping hand.

We are planning our usual Spring Roast Beef Sandwich Luncheon and Auction, which not only benefits The Garden Fund, but increases our ability to continue our Outreach Projects. Remember, Canaan House continues to be one of the Guild projects. Keep well – and join us in our service to St. Michael's and all of God's Children. Love, *Virginia Bradley, President*

LAUGHTER

Bob Hope said, “The most universal welcome I have received is the sound of laughter. It needs no translation. It means happiness and joy. Most important, it means freedom. In any country where liberty has been banished, the next thing to disappear is laughter.”

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Bea Haley
2 Betty Gould
8 Sherry DuVall
11 Mary Jane Noonan
16 Dennis DiLiberto
17 Robin Meyers
18 Jillian Meacham
21 Helen Neubert
23 Jack Miller
28 Bob Weekley

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

We show none in our records.

A BIG THANK YOU to the Wardens and Vestry for your generous Christmas bonus. It is one more evidence of the generous spirit of St. Michael's. *Father Wheeler*