



St. Michael's Messenger

August 2010

A Family Growing in Christ

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Worship Schedule

Holy Eucharists
Sunday
8:00 a.m. • 10:15 a.m.
6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.
Friday
7:00 a.m.

Noonday Prayers
Monday – Thursday
12:15 p.m.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus through service, worship, education, evangelism, pastoral care and stewardship. The Holy Eucharist, the worship commanded by Jesus Himself and celebrated in continuity through the ages, forms the center of our worship and spiritual life. It provides the strength for us to embrace all persons to become a family in Christ at St. Michael's.

FROM THE RECTOR

We never seem to be content for things to be what they are; we always seem to want to improve everything, making them bigger and better. But supersizing is not just something that happens at fast food restaurants anymore. It is even beginning to be true for seemingly unchangeable constants pictured in Holy Scripture. Take the Last Supper for example.

You will probably be surprised to find that the food portions depicted in paintings of the Last Supper have grown larger - in line with our own super-sizing of meals.

A Cornell University team studied 52 of the most famous paintings of the Biblical scene over the millennium and scrutinized the size of the feast. They found the main courses, bread and plates put before Jesus and his disciples have progressively grown by up to two-thirds. This, they say, is art imitating life.

Professor Brian Wansink, who, with his brother Craig, led the research, published in the *International Journal of Obesity*, said, "The last thousand years have witnessed dramatic increases in the production, availability, safety, abundance and affordability of food. We think that as art imitates life, these changes have been reflected in paintings of history's most famous dinner."

His team used computer-aided design technology to scan and calculate the relative measurements of items in the paintings, regardless of their orientation. The paintings studied include

works by El Greco, Leonardo Da Vinci, Lucas Cranach the Elder, and Rubens.

The meals grew 69% and plate size 66% between the oldest (painted in 1000) and the most recent (1700s). Bread size grew about 23%.

There is more to this than simply noting how the sizes of our plates and portions have increased. To me the change in portion sizes is an illustration of how our culture affects our theology and how we picture and relate to God. It's almost as if we, as human beings, are always positioning ourselves to have the last word. But it doesn't work that way when it comes to things like Scripture. While God may have created everything "Good," we have the audacity to think we can make it "better" and, now, "bigger." It's another example of the classic slippery slope we seem to find before us in our lives. "Super-sizing" has changed our perception of what is normal.

Gradual change seems harmless to most people and so we tend to accept it. It takes something like a study such as this to make you realize that where you started and where you are ending up are miles apart! The subtle changes that happen in our lives often have huge consequences. So be aware of where your faith is grounded. Stick with Jesus as the One True Constant in your life.

Roger+

PARISH FAMILY NEWS

Baptism

Rachel Maureen Bond
William Joseph Lichty
July 25, 2010

Wedding

Jenny Espinoza and Emery Galbraith
July 10, 2010

Burials

Ken Grogan, Mary Leona Welch
June 4, 2010
John W. Boone
June 23, 2010
Lillian P. Trubey
June 26, 2010

MINISTRIES FAIR

Sunday, August 29

following the 10:15 a.m. service, Quigley Hall
Theme: "Growing in Christ"

As Christians, we respond to God's love by offering our time, talent, and treasure. The purpose of the Fair is to inform our parish family of the ministries offered by St. Michael's and provide an opportunity for you to share your gifts through these ministries. The Nursery will remain open so that parents may browse through the exhibits. Lunch will be prepared by our own Chef Patrick.

You do not want to miss this!

HOLY LAND TRIP

This coming May Father Hamilton will lead a group to visit the Holy Land. We will leave Monday, May 2nd, and return on Saturday, May 14th. We will begin with three days in and around Egypt before crossing over for eight days in Israel. With nine trips to the area "under his belt" Father Hamilton has designed the trip to be both Biblically and Spiritually rewarding. We are looking for 25 persons to join him. The cost will be \$3490 and will be all inclusive (excepting lunch while on the road) - including air, first class hotels, breakfast and dinner, all tours and transfers as per the itinerary, English speaking guides, airport taxes and surcharges, and tips to guides and drivers. This is an excellent opportunity at a great price! Brochures with a detailed itinerary will be available in August.

PRE-SCHOOL

Summer Vacation is coming to an end! We are so excited about our upcoming school year.

"Meet Your Teacher" will be held on Friday, August 20th, and our first day of school is Tuesday, August 24th.

We welcome our new teachers

•Michelle Conklin

2-day Two's and 3-day Three's

•Jessica Yopez

Pre-K

•Allison Johnson

Enrichment teacher

Our returning staff

•Ashley Brazell

Toddler classes

•Sandy Mantzaris

A Toddler class and
an assistant

•Damita Andreaus

2-day Two's and

3-day Three's

•Wendy Motzel

3-day Three's and an assistant

•Collisa Astle

4-day Three's

•Pat Jamison

4-day Three's

•Rachel Eichelberger

4-day Pre-K

•Katrina Geever-Collins

5-day Pre-K

•Jackie McCormick, Laura Spigener, and
Elizabeth Howes

Assistants

Please keep the Pre-School families, staff, and students in your prayers as we begin a new school year.

Note: We currently have several openings in our Toddler, 2-year-old and 3-year-old classes. If you, a friend or neighbor are interested in finding out more information about our program please contact me.

Susan Caruso

Director of Pre-School
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PASTORAL CARE



Feed My Sheep

One of the things that always amazes me about St. Michael's is the giving hearts of its people. Anytime there is a need, St. Michael's comes running. Yes, I know, we're a church and that's what we're suppose to do. But you

all do it not out of obligation or duty, but out of love and that makes a big difference. You love God's people.

For over twenty years, for example, The Gathering has collected, cut, chopped and cooked meals for the homeless every Tuesday. They feed between 300-400 homeless men, women and children at the Coalition for the Homeless **each week**. The Gathering figures they have donated some 300,000 meals! Sure, other churches sometimes do the same, but not with the regularity that St. Michael's does. We have always been a

church that the homeless could count on. But now we have a challenge.

As economic times get even tougher, the need for these meals grows greater. With more and more people who suddenly find themselves out of work there are ever-increasing hungry mouths to feed. While the homeless and the hungry wait for meals...sometimes the only meal they receive in a day.... the grocery stores in our area are giving less, especially produce goods. We have been able to purchase meat from Second Harvest Food Bank, but we still need greens and fruit. Frankly, The Gathering needs our help.

So, here's a rallying cry: If anyone knows a grocery store, a fruit or vegetable stand that could donate perishable goods, please contact them to ask for their support. The Gathering team will pick up anything that can be donated. If you would rather donate a monetary gift, say onions, lettuce, or fruit for a year, the team would be so grateful. And so will the hungry in our community.

Danielle+

Financial Information Through June 30, 2010

	YTD <u>Actual</u>	YTD <u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Pledges-Current	235,584	257,971	(22,387)
Pledges-Prior Year	1,490	5,000	(3,510)
Givers of Record	84,676	88,307	(3,631)
Spring Into Action	4,117	3,892	225
Total	<u>325,867</u>	<u>355,170</u>	<u>(29,303)</u>

Amount Drawn On Line of Credit - \$46,000

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Thank you to the many volunteers who gave of their time and talents to make VBS such a wonderful week of learning and sharing. It took 45 volunteers to help with set-up, snacks, stations, leading crews and teaching our children. With this abundance of help, we were able to share God's word with 94 children this year.

Our wonderful volunteers:

Father Hamilton, Andrew Walker,
Eddie Edmondson,
Melanie Olivier, Cindy Sills, Pat Booth,
Rachel Webb, Liz Jaberg, Linda Midkiff,
Ashley Bedell, Emily Strauss, Ronda Olson,
Kimberly Corso, Mikki Mathews, Emily Newbold,
Grace Newbold, Pilar Renfro, Sara Robertson,
Ellie Tschetter, Tim White, Kaitlyn England,
Austin England, Cole Sorvillo, Kacy Tramell,
Hayley Webb, Kalee Eichelberger,
Morgan Macgregor, Gylla Macgregor,
Lionel McGehee, Lawrence Motzel, Niki Nash,
Ally Nash, Eden Smalley, Savannah Webb,
Maggie Little, Molly Little, KatieScott Little,
Nia James, Sarah Nazarian, Marisa Bosko,
Olivia Corso, Elena Gierok, and Alex Link

Thank you to everyone who gave money, food, supplies, and for covering us in prayer. YOU do make a difference in the lives of our children and this ministry!

I would also like to extend my appreciation to the pre-school staff for taking care of our youngest children!



Rally Day

Time to kick off our new church school year! Rally Day is on September 12th @ 9am. We will join together in Quigley Hall from 9:00–9:30 a.m. for breakfast then head up to the classrooms to meet the children's teachers and get a look at the curriculum. I hope to see everyone there!

Remember our parish children and youth as they return to their respective schools over the next few weeks.

Tiffany Stieger
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extension 230

FLOWER GUILD

Sponsorship of Flowers

The flowers which adorn our parish are an appropriate way to remember our loved ones and to offer thanks to Almighty God for special blessings.

The following Sundays are open: **August 15, October 3, and November 7.**

Please call the church office (407-843-8448) if you wish to sponsor flowers. Flowers are usually placed by more than one person or family. In this way, special days, as well as the cost, can be shared.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

• Summer Choir Returns

Sundays of August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

The Summer Choir program involves showing up on a Sunday we're singing at 9:45 a.m., running through the choir anthem [always an old favorite that can be put together in 5-10 minutes], sitting in the congregation, coming up to the choir pews to sing at the Offertory, and returning during the Doxology. Contact Andrew if interested in participating.

• Annual Diocesan Choir Camp

*Wednesday – Sunday, August 11-15
Camp Wingmann*

The annual gathering of 30-40 choristers from around the Diocese at Camp Wingmann for five days of great singing, recreation, worship, and fellowship returns! As of today, writing in early July, it looks like Andrew will be joined by up to nine of our St. Michael's Choristers. Closing service is the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist at St. Paul's, Winter Haven.

• Annual Beginning-of-Year Youth Choir Workshop

Wednesday – Saturday, August 25–28

• **Wednesday/Thursday** – 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Rehearsals
• **Friday** - 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal/Activities/
Compline/Sleep-over
• **Saturday** - 7:00 a.m. Leave for Annual trip to
DeLeon Springs!

• Music Department 2010-2011 Year Begins!

All groups resume their normal schedule beginning Monday, August 30.

• "WOW! ...our son/daughter has been singing NON-STOP during the Summer!"

> Your kids go about the house singing?
> You've always known that THIS one may have musical talent?
> Not enough music in your house, and you'd like more?
> You'd really like your kids to be more involved on a weekly basis with church? ...learn about ministry?

If any of the above applies,
joining **YOUTH CHOIR** can fix that!!

Contact Andrew ASAP to arrange an interview for you and your 2nd Grade good reader through 6th Grade son(s) and/or daughter(s), to discover the benefits of being a member of this exciting group of kids.

>> Singing around the house **guaranteed** - now including choir songs!
>> Develops and challenges musical talent!
>> Yup - you'll definitely be hearing more music!
>> Being a part of the Youth Choir IS ministry; each member is a Minister of Music, leading the congregation in song and prayer.

The 2010-2011 Performing Arts Series

OKTOBERFEST

Sunday, October 10
With the German Beer Band
from Epcot!

ONE-MAN-CHRISTMAS-CAROL

Sunday, December 12
Local actor David McElroy

FAMILY ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday, January 29, 2011
Featuring WIND instruments

CHAMBER MUSIC "HARP +"

March 13, 2011
Duets & trios using the harp

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR WITH ORCHESTRA

Palm Sunday, April 17, 2011
Will include Fauré's Requiem

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For Young Adults & Students

A GREAT way to give to our community is to help out with “*Be a Player*” Sports Day on Saturday, August 14, from 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. This outreach to students who otherwise can’t afford physicals for sports NEEDS you!!

We’ll need “ambassadors” to help folks know where to go, to play with them in the Youth Room, and SO much more. We’ll give community service hours to you and your group for helping out. Contact Rev. Danielle for more information.

Tickets for **Night of Joy**, Disney’s celebration of Christian music, are available through the Youth Office. We’ll be attending on Friday, September 10. We’ll be able to get in early and play on the rides in Disney’s Magic Kingdom starting at 4:00 p.m. and return around 12:30 a.m.! Cost for tickets and transportation is \$55. We have LIMITED space on the van so sign-up FAST!!! Young Adults can drive themselves. Get ready for the David Crowder Band (one of Mike’s *faves*), Chris Tomlin, Casting Crowns, Thousand Foot Krutch, and BarlowGirl.

Students

When I say “Lock-In”, are you now “locked-in”? We’re having our annual Back-to-School lock-in here at St. Michael’s, but it’s BIGGER, BETTER, and WETTER, from Saturday, August 21-22 at a Disney water park, until the end of the 10:15 a.m. service the next morning. This event of *pure* fun can be yours, AND your friendz. Games, music, mayhem, and worshipping in our jammies! What could be mo’ fun!?!? Sign-up outside the Youth Room or on Facebook.

EYC is on vacation and will resume on Sunday, August 29. It’s a combined EYC, so everyone meets for dinner at 5:30 p.m. and we end at 7:00 p.m. Bring your friends!!!

Senior High Bible Study returns Thursday, August 26th at Einstein’s in College Park. We start at 6:15 a.m. and end at 7:00 a.m. Bring \$ for breakfast.

Middle School Bible Study returns Wednesday, August 25th, at 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. with a \$6 dinner! HEY, why not go to choir practice at 4:30 p.m. and then come to Bible Study? Moms, doesn’t sound too good to be true? Well, it’s not!!!! Your students gets music, dinner, Jesus, AND we’ve taken good care of them for 2 ½ hours!

5th Tuesday Club

Our night to serve dinner at the Coalition is August 31st. Come be the hands and feet of Christ to those in need from 6:15 p.m.—8:00 p.m. You’ll need to wear a hat of your choosing. Bring some friends and ALL can earn community service hours.

For the lowdown on all you need to know on these and other youth/young adult events, contact Mike at (407) 843-8448, ext. 228, e-mail: mike@stmichaelschurch.com, or check out our Facebook pages (St. Michael’s EYC or St. Michael’s Young Adults).



Our Members In College

We need to know the addresses (mail and e-mail) of our members in college so that we can keep in touch with them. Please call the Church Office or mail us the new address.

COMING IN SEPTEMBER...

• Dinner on the Grounds

The Feast of St. Michael is Sunday, September 26! This has been a cherished tradition here at St. Michael’s for many years. Bring your family, covered dish, and join this special day. Meat, drinks, and paper supplies will be furnished. More information will follow in the Sunday Bulletins. A basket will be available for donations to help defray the cost of the food.

• Holy Baptism

The next regular opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be on St. Michael’s Day. Please call or speak to Father Hamilton.

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August Birthdays

1 Marci Arthur, Olivia Yergey **2** Tom Cardwell, Vesta Zilch
4 Viktoria Ulrich **5** Freddy Clayton, Jack McEwan **6** David Gay, Ruth Hubbard, Gene Yasuda **7** Caitlin Boulanger, William Morris
8 Graham Harris, David Michels, Brian Mullin, Ron Nelson, Emily Newbold **9** John Bedell, Joseph Glackin, Cole Sorvillo, Bill Traylor
10 Chris Gosselin, Bill Horton, Jan McPherson **11** AnnMarie Calo, George Stiell **12** Julia Bouldin, David Lane **13** Jean Kennedy, Bridgett Van Horn **14** Hillary Brightman **17** Benjamin Bankowitz, Butch Ellars, Henry Steinhaus **18** Don Boone, Vicki Booth, Janina Garner, Rachel Webb **19** Lisa Lacey **20** Linda Midkiff **21** Ann Rush **23** Billy Boltin **24** Kristen Scott, Jack Sommerville **25** Chapman Brownlee, Penny Galbraith, George Hart, Greg Macgregor, Danielle Morris, Annalee Webb **26** Anne Brownlee, Michael Candes, Susie DiDea, Meghan McMullen, Timothy Terry **27** Lila Midkiff, Chet Parker **29** Rebecca Palmer, Kyle Smith, Reed Watts, Pam Webb, Cooper Welch **30** Elizabeth Barnhart, Jim Garner, Ellis Searl **31** Logan Baker, Cole Kelley, Phillip Madison

August Anniversaries

1 J B & Dinorah Fulmer **2** James & Cynthia Provencher **4** David & Katie Terry **5** Colonel & Susan Airth, Freddy & Susan Clayton **6** Brad & Sloane Hester **7** Roston & Kay Shuman **9** Tyler & Kim Piercy **14** Roger & Peggy Trubey **18** Chad & Kylie Luff, Trey & Anna McPherson **21** Brian & Sarah Boone **23** Gregory & Briget Pope **24** Andrew & Angelica Cole **25** Bill & Viki Leedy, Jason & Ellis Searl **26** Bill & Yvonne Traylor **30** Tom & Deborah Cook **31** James & Vicki Booth, David & Katherine Pace