St. Michael's Rector's **Notes**

The Last Sunday after Pentecost, Christ the King, November 24, 2024

Readings

The First Lesson Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 The Response Psalm 93 The Epistle Revelation 1:4b-8 The Gospel John 18:33-37

The Collect Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Calling all families! You are invited to join us for our

Christmas Eve service at 4 pm on December 24th. The

service is presided by mostly children and young adults and is children and baby friendly! So, come and make this Christmas a meaning-filled one! There's even a Youth Choir that your child, of any age, can join!!

JOIN THE TEAM! A CALL FOR VESTRY NOMINATIONS!

We are accepting nominations for election to the Vestry to replace three outgoing members in February 2025. The vestry is the lay leadership of the parish working with the Rector to support the spiritual and operational success of the parish. We are very grateful for those who have served and are serving now.

If you would like to nominate someone (they must agree to be nominated and serve) or if you would like to nominate yourself, please email stmichaelselsegundo@gmail.com with the name of the person nominating and name of the person nominated. Please state that you have spoken to this

person and they are willing to serve! All Nominees should be active, pledging members of the church, have a love and enthusiasm for the ministries at St. Michael's, and the desire to grow and support our new ministries.

The Vestry responsibilities include:

- Attendance at monthly meetings (approximately one hour on a weekday morning, or in an emergency, by zoom)
- Willingness to serve on a committee
- Pledge financial support in the annual stewardship campaign
- Attend church services on a regular basis
- Have a willingness and commitment to understand and learn the spiritual, business, and fiduciary responsibilities of the parish
- Work well with others and enjoy collegiality

Please turn in your names by Sunday, January 1.

Gift cards for CASE This Christmas, we will be

gifting the families at CASE with \$25.00 gift cards from Target. You may buy one or a few and drop them off by the front door near the Guest book by December 8. We will make sure they are delivered to them with plenty of time to shop. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

For those who purchased their Thanksgiving centerpieces,

please remember to collect them after this coming Sunday's 10 am service in Yeaton Hall from Gerri Pisciotta. She has made a few extras. Thank you for your support of St. Michael's.

There is a new flyer at the front table call, "If you are new, start here." Please invite any new comers to take one which introduces them to what we believe, who we are, and where they can connect with us.

Visit us at <u>stmichaelselsegundo.org</u>. Our new website is now live, and share it with your friends who are looking for a parish. This is where you can find

all our church information, upcoming events, past sermons, Rector's Notes, The Guardian, and Sunday service videos. All future Sunday service videos will be uploaded onto YouTube. Our Facebook page will still be up to serve our friends and share our news. From now on, please find all current church information on our website, under the "News, Calendar, Video" section.

There are three ways to worship at St. Michaels: The Rite One service with no music is at 8 am; The Rite Two service at 10 am uses contemporary language and is family friendly; and lastly, you may worship online during the week on Youtube, which is linked to our website.

Consider a special Thanksgiving or Advent gift this year to St. Michael the Archangel. Your offering is kindly received via our Sunday plate; by sending a check to our church: 361 Richmond St. El Segundo, CA 90245; or soon by clicking on the "Donate" button on our website: stmichaels-elsegundo.org

f you would like pastoral care, or request a prayer, please reach out to me.

See you soon!
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