



# The Archangel's Voice

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## A Note from Our Rector

*Dear Good People of St. Michael's,*

*This note comes to you in the midst of the Christmas season. Thank you for the gift of ministry in the life of the parish which you daily raise up by being who you are! We look for gifts at Christmas and cannot imagine anything as good and as right as your combined giving of yourselves in our Lord's name. Karen and I want to thank you also for your thoughtful gift of the citrus trees which will soon be as firmly planted in the ground around our house as our appreciation is for you.*

*Our best in this Christmas season and the year before us!*

*Cal*

*"Good things are happening at St. Michael. Come and see!"*

## 'Tis the Season for STEWARDSHIP

January 2016 is the key month of our Stewardship Campaign with encouraged personal reflections on our faith, time, talents and countless blessings bestowed upon each of us by the grace and mercy of Almighty God. Our Stewardship Committee's planned program extends from January 3<sup>rd</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup> with a purpose of spiritual enrichment and growth for all parish members. The Committee's hope and prayer is that you will realize personal inspiration through the following Stewardship Program highlights:

Sunday, January 3 - Stewardship Sermon by Father Cal Goodlett  
- Stewardship Program Overview and Message of Testimonial Appeal by Linda Dilworth  
- Distribution of Faith Cards and Time and Talents Inventory



Sunday, January 10 - Stewardship Program Message of Testimonial Appeal by Senior Warden J. Byron Greene  
- Distribution of Faith Cards and Time and Talents Inventory

Sunday, January 17 - Stewardship Sermon by Father Cal Goodlett  
- Stewardship Message of Testimonial Appeal by a Parish Member  
- Target Date for Return of Faith Cards and Time and Talents Inventory

Sunday, January 24 - Consecration of Faith Cards and Time and Talent Inventories  
- Stewardship Program Message of Testimonial Appeal by a Parish Member

Our scriptural focus for personal growth is **1 Timothy 6:17 – 19 NIV:**

<sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

<sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

<sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

*The above message is brought to you by our Stewardship Committee members: Father Cal Goodlett, Interim Rector; J. Byron Greene, Senior Warden; Alexis Roberts McMillan, Vestry Liaison; Linda G. Dilworth, Chair; Charlie Clark; Elizabeth Humes; Neil James; Sam Oliver; and Edith Onyeozili.*

### KEY DATES

**January 3-24**

*2016 Stewardship Program*

**January 6**

*The Epiphany*

**January 18**

*Martin Luther King Day*

**January 22-23**

*The Diocese of Florida Annual Convention*

## Upcoming Events

**January 1**  
Parish Potluck Lunch

**January 8**  
Apalachee Region Ultreya

**January 11**  
Vestry Meeting

**January 30**  
Breakfast Service at  
Grace Mission

**January 31**  
ECW Executive Board  
Meeting



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## Around the Parish

**Daughters of the King** — The **St. Monica Chapter** of the Daughters of the King welcomes its newest member, Dr. Jean Hyche Jackson, whose installation took place at St. John's Chapel.



**ECW Fall General Meeting** — The Fall General Meeting of our Episcopal Church Women was held on Thursday, November 12 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at The Golden Corral. The Executive Board for 2016 was elected: Melanie Martin, president; Felita McNeil, vice-president; Elizabeth Humes, recording secretary; Margaret Edwards, financial secretary. The first ECW Board meeting for 2016 will be held on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Thanksgiving Food Drive** — On Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> members of St. Michael assembled 15 boxes of food for distribution the next day. After seeing to the needs of others, the group set to work collecting pecans from the church grounds to add to their Thanksgiving delicacies.

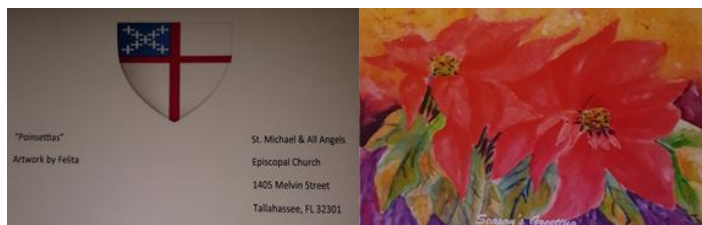


**Children's Christmas Pageant** — Our youth demonstrated their theatrical skills during the service on the Third Sunday of Advent when they presented a Christmas pageant. The kids did a great job and had fun in their various roles.



**Spiritual Development** — Join us for Bible Inspiration, every Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the Brooks Room.

**Health, Wellness and Fitness** — Zumba Fitness is offered weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Contact *Fitness with Leslie* at <http://www.zumba.com/en-US/profiles/14141> for more information.



**Season's Greeting**, the first in a card collection designed by Felita McNeil to raise funds for St. Michael's ministries. Quantity is limited; purchase one for \$4 today.