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"Good things are happening at St. Michael.

Come and see!"

KEY DATES

May 31

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

June 11

SAINT BARNABAS, THE APOSTLE

June 17

Father's Day

June 25

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 29

SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL, APOSTLES



Fighting Gun Violence

By Anne Powell



On Tuesday, April 24th, about fifty members of the Tallahassee Chapter of **Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense** attended their monthly meeting in St. Michael and All Angels' parish hall. This group of men and women promotes sensible public safety measures to reduce gun violence while respecting the Second amendment right of citizens to own guns.

Moms Demand Action (MDA) is a non-partisan group of volunteers with chapters in every state and is part of **Everytown for Gun Safety**, the largest gun violence prevention organization in the country. Since the shootings at Parkland, Florida, the number of MDA chapters in Florida has more than doubled to thirty.

After a brief orientation for those attending their first meeting, the agenda included reports on recent events related to gun violence including the April 4th Leon County Commission decision to close the gun-show loophole by requiring background checks on all gun sales in public places; the National School Walkout Day; the Tallahassee Pridefest; and Florida's new law related to gun sales in response to the Parkland shootings and the ensuing law suits against that law.

Members learned about MDA's Be SMART Program which teaches five important ways to keep children safe from guns in the home:

- **Secure** all guns in your home & vehicle.
- **Model** responsible behavior around guns.
- **Ask** about the presence of unsecured guns in other homes.
- **Recognize** the risks of teen suicide.
- **Tell** your peers to be smart.

Join us on June 2nd from 10 a.m. to noon for the Wear Orange Day celebration to fight gun violence at Anita Favors Thompson Plaza (just 2 blocks from St Michael).

Wedding bells were ringing...



...on Friday, April 20 when Cassandra Chapman and Daniel Warner were joined in Holy Wedlock at a service officiated by the bride's father and our rector, Fr. Hugh Chapman. The ceremony took place on Hawaii's Big Island. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Upcoming Events



Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:15 pm
Said Mass

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
Bible Study

June 6,
First Wednesday Supper Service at The Kearney Center

June 26
Fourth Tuesday Supper Service at Grace Mission

June 2
ECW International Pretty Hat Tea



June 21
FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

June 30
Breakfast Service at Grace Mission

June 10 thru July 15
Summer at Camp Weed
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Around the Parish

This Spring has been a busy time at St. Michael, both for the parish and for individual parishioners. The collages below show highlights of many of the events we celebrated.

May 5, ECW Graduation Recognition — St. Michael extended hearty congratulations to our graduates for their accomplishments. High school graduate Winston Bogan gave the Address during the Holy Eucharist.



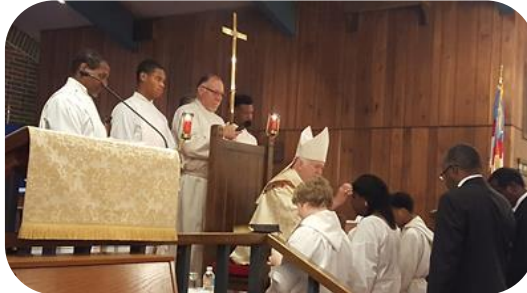
May 13 — Our **Mother's Day Celebration** was executed beautifully by the Men of St. Michael's Guild, whose members presented carnations to mothers and mother-figures in the sanctuary followed by a scrumptious meal in the parish hall.



The Day of Pentecost — We celebrated the birthday of the Christian church, recognizing "the transformative power of the Holy Spirit to rekindle the fire of Pentecost in our lives." (From the Rector's Desk)



The Sacrament of Holy Confirmation



On May 27, St. Michael welcomed Assisting Bishop of our Diocese, the Right Reverend Dorsey Felix Henderson to preside at the Pontifical High Mass and confirm/reaffirm five of our members. Bishop Henderson

also administered a special blessing on high school graduate Winston Bogan who will attend Tuskegee University in the fall. To the delight of Sierra Mongerie, Bishop Henderson was photographed with her wearing his mitre.