



The Archangel's Voice

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Happy Anniversary, St. Michael



"Good things are happening at St. Michael.

Come and see!"

One hundred and thirty-seven years ago, in 1882, a mission congregation was authorized by then Diocese of Florida Bishop J.F. Young, and organized by Jacob R. Ballard, the second black deacon ordained in the Episcopal Church. The name St. Michael and All Angels was given to the mission six years later by Bishop E.W. Weed. Fast forward over the next century and 37 years to a time when our parish gives God the glory as we gratefully acknowledge that "good things ARE happening."

Leading up to St. Michael Day, the parish commemorated the 137th milestone with a concert in the parish hall on Friday, September 27th featuring the reggae gospel band, Positive Vibes Redeemed, and Florida State University's Mas N' Steel.



One year ago, in 2018, St. Michael launched a capital campaign, **Building with Christ**, which goal is to raise \$500K over three years to fund facility renovations, improvements and furnishings that support our congregation's spiritual growth as well as community outreach and service. This year's anniversary celebration on Sunday September 29th began with a Solemn High Mass at which The Rev. Elizabeth Pessah, Chaplain at Holy Comforter Episcopal School and Associate Rector of Holy Comforter Episcopal Church preached the sermon. Following the Mass, with the congregation gathered to witness the event, a symbolic groundbreaking was led by our Rector The Reverend Hugh Chapman, supported by Senior Warden Dr. Neil James and Junior Warden Charlie Clark.



As Senior Warden Dr. Neil James noted, "We finish to begin", a motto adopted by a Tallahassee High School class in the 1960s. The groundbreaking is complete; now begins the next phase. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace.

KEY DATES

November 1
ALL SAINTS' DAY

November 2
ALL SOULS' DAY
Commemoration of All Faithful Departed

November 3
ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

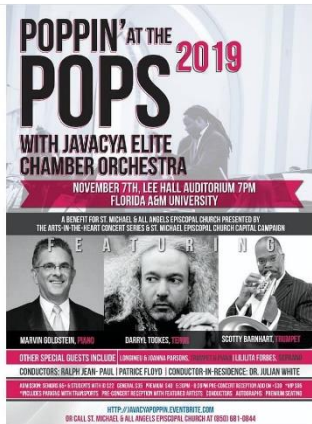
November 11



November 24
The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King

November 28
THANKSGIVING DAY

December 1
The First Sunday of Advent



The General Gifts Sub-Committee of the St. Michael Capital Campaign announces the **POPPIN' AT THE POPS** concert featuring the Javacya Elite Chamber Orchestra in concert with Darryl Tookes, Scotty Barnhart, Lililita Forbes, Marvin Goldstein and Duo Paloma (Longineau and Joanna Parsons) on **Thursday, November 7th at 7:00 pm at Florida A&M University's Lee Hall Auditorium**. A pre-concert reception will be hosted from 5:30 to 6:30 PM at the Meek-Eaton Black Archives Museum. Online tickets may be purchased at the following site: <http://javacyapoppin.eventbrite.com>

For additional information, contact J. Byron Greene at 850.591.0285.

Upcoming Events



Ongoing

Capital Campaign

Tuesdays, Thursdays
12:15 pm
Contemplative Eucharist

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
Bible Study

November 3
Daylight Saving Time Ends



November 3 thru 24
ECW & UBE Thanksgiving
Food Drive

November 7
POPPIN' at the POPS
Concert

November 8, 6:30 pm
Apalachee Region Ultreya

November 10 & 17
UTO Fall Ingathering

November 17
UBE Sunday

December 15
Service of Lessons and
Carols

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Around the Parish

*But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them. Wisdom 3:1.*

So began The Lessons at the service celebrating the Life and Legacy of **Reverend Carl Cyrus Murray**. Father Murray was the fourth rector of St. Michael and All Angels, serving for twelve years, from 1988 until his retirement in 2000.

Father Murray passed on Friday, August 30th. A Requiem Mass in his honor was held on Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00 pm. Following the Mass, his daughter, The Rev. Canon Hilary Anne Murray, Vicar-Christ Church Cathedral, Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, hosted a repast in the parish hall. A memorial service for Father Murray will be held at a later date.



The Union of Black Episcopalians More than 200 years of Black leadership in The Episcopal Church

A chapter of the UBE has been formed at St. Michael & All Angels! **The Father David Henry Brooks Chapter of UBE** was approved by the national organization at the 51st annual conference held in Los Angeles, CA, with a charter date of July 25, 2019. Installation of the local chapter's officers was held on September 15th at St.

Michael & All Angels. The Southeast Regional Director of the UBE, Alma Flowers from Jacksonville, conducted the installation. Elected officers of The Father David Henry Brooks Chapter are: President–Margaret Edwards; Vice President–Byron Greene; Secretary–Angela Bruton; Treasurer–Leslie Baker. Advisors are St. Michael's Rector The Rev. Hugh Chapman and The Rev. Kathy Walker, Associate Rector for Pastoral Care and Parish Life at St. John's, Tallahassee. The chapter will sponsor UBE Sunday on November 17th following the Holy Eucharist at St. Michael.

Remembering Joseph Weldon Wiley, Jr.

Mr. Wiley served as organist and choir director at St. Michael from 1999 to 2009. His love for the organ and church was obvious to all who knew him and was, indeed, infectious. Mr. Wiley departed this life on February 21, 2019 in Lexington, KY.



A memorial concert in his honor was held at St. Michael on Friday, October 11th at 7:00 pm at which he was remembered as a teacher, mentor, organist, choir director, and dad. The concert featured performances by organists Linzie "Bo" Bogan II, Joseph Kraus and Iain Quinn; vocal soloists Rasheen Jamison Richardson and Fred Lee; an enhanced St. Michael choir performing selections written or arranged by Mr. Wiley; and son David and his wife Leah, singing a few family favorites. A reception in the parish hall followed the concert, with refreshments provided by a generous contribution from The Rev. Canon Hilary Murray in memory of her late father, Rev. Carl Murray, and Mr. Wiley.

Breast Cancer Awareness



Sunday, October 20th was chosen by St. Michael to remind the congregation that regular health screenings are a key factor in early detection of breast cancer. In a repeat performance, our own Dr. Shaun Laurie shared information from the American Cancer Society, and observations from his years of practice as an internal medicine physician in Tallahassee. Although breast cancers are found most often in women, Dr. Laurie reminded men that they are not immune from this disease and should be aware of symptoms.