



THE ANTIPHON

The Parish Newsletter of
St Matthias' Church, Dallas, Texas

JUNE 2018

The Summer Time for Solemn High Mass

10:00am

Begins Corpus Christi Sunday, June 3rd

Every Sunday, a Nursery is provided from 7:50am - 11:50am

Beloved in Christ,

As I write this, I am, once again, in the midst of the preparations for this year's Saint Michael's Youth Conference. This conference, which commences the afternoon of Sunday the 17th, will be our thirteenth conference! Praise God!

Each year, the immediate run-up to the Conference is a roller-coaster of triumphs and challenges. The challenges are manifold - How can we provide space for the number of boys that are registering. We have to maintain a certain ratio of counselors to kids, counselors are volunteers (*suitable volunteers!*) and then we are limited by the available space in the chapel. Always, no matter how much we beg, the registrations arrive in clusters and bunches and at the last minute. Schedules have to be made. T-shirts and medals have to be ordered. Classes have to be sorted out. Then there are the multiplicity of special arrangements - kids arriving late and needing to leave early. Gluten-free diets. Do we have enough counselors? Have we got enough supplies? The list goes on and on. Some of the difficulty is caused by fallen human nature (*procrastination and the like*) and some of it, truly is the work of the enemy! Satan despises Saint Michael's Conference, which is all the more reason why we do it! And it is because of that resistance that we depend upon the protection of the angels. And in the midst of all of that - we pray! You can help too. Please, please, please, pray for our Conference and all of those involved, from now straight through the 23rd when we get everyone safely home. (*Donations are always welcome too - wink, wink!*)

We begin our Summer schedule of 8 & 10 this Sunday. The Church School year has come to a close.

The choir's year is about to finish up. Many many thanks to our choristers, Lisa Crain, Lisa Wells and Da'on Hinton, and to Susan Williams, our Parish Musician, for all of your efforts this past season.

On the morning of Sunday, June the 10th we will be welcoming Bishop Iker on the occasion of his annual visitation. At his request, the schedule will be 9:00 Mattins and 9:30 Solemn Pontifical Mass. At that Mass, he will be formally receiving Lynn Mattingly and Dusty Hurry into full communion and fellowship. And after that service we will have a reception to celebrate all of this goodness...

And, a hearty Congratulations to Mac Hamilton upon his graduation from Forney High School this past week. Mac will be heading to San Angelo in August to begin college at Angelo State University. Mac, well done!!

Thanks be to God for all of his goodness to all of us.

God bless you all,



MEN'S GUILD RAMP BUILD

On Saturday, June 9th, the men of the Parish will build a wheelchair ramp for a disabled person in our community. We will be partnering with Dallas Ramps to construct a ramp that will restore freedom of movement to someone who has been unable to get out of their home as they like due to their wheelchair. The project will start at 7:30am at the Dallas Ramps warehouse, we will caravan to the build site, and start building. We need as many men as we can provide for this project, and generally speaking the build is complete by early afternoon. Each worker should bring water, lunch, work gloves and a drill if you have one. All other tools and materials are provided by Dallas Ramps. Sign up to participate in Duncan Hall. Contact Van Neinast (van@neinast.net) for more information.

THE VISITATION OF
THE BISHOP OF FORT WORTH
TO ST MATTHIAS' CHURCH

Sunday, June 10th

Mattins 9:00am // Mass 9:30am

(One Mass only this day. Please note the time.)

You will not want to miss this Mass at which two candidates will be Received. A reception follows in Duncan Hall.



FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
Country Church Picnic

Everyone likes a picnic, and our June Fellowship Supper will be an indoor/outdoor country church picnic! Our hosts, Tommye and Bill Marr, along with co-hosts Ida Perryman and Randy & Suzanne Jackson, are looking forward to gathering at the Marr house for some summertime fun. Bring your favorite potluck or picnic food, and a friend, and join us! The party is on Saturday, June 9th, and it starts at 7:00pm. The Marrs live at 3912 Weeburn Drive, Dallas 75229. Sign up on the form in the Sunday bulletin. Maps are available on the narthex table.

To help you decide what to bring, just select from one of the following:

If your last name begins with

A through H

I through P

Q through Z

Bring either

Main dish or vegetable

Main dish or dessert

Main dish or salad



PRAYERS AND SQUARES MINISTRY

The Prayers and Squares Ministry will meet **Thursday, June 14th** at 6:30pm in Duncan Hall. We have given over 175 quilts and many prayers to those in need. If you know someone who would benefit from extra prayers and support, please consider a quilt for them. Contact nitahinshaw@aol.com to make a request.



JUNE COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Shelter Team: *Captains* Ken & Jackie Martin, Danelle Harris, James Nugent, Dusty Hurry, Gene Polson, Paul & Sharon Walden, Van Neinast, Penelope Schuchat, Nancy Gaines. Team meets at church 4:00pm, Sunday, June 17th.

Sandwich Makers: Team 2 - Nancy Gaines, Penelope Schuchat, Brad & Eileen Sandy, Van & Margaret Neinast, Dusty Hurry, David & Rene Murray, Katy Coggins, Gene Polson, John & Linda Frith, Tommie Ragsdill.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

- Ladies, please join us on a field trip to the Heritage Homestead in Waco Saturday, June 23rd. Homestead Heritage is an agrarian and craft based intentional Christian community. Its literature stresses simplicity, sustainability, self-sufficiency, cooperation, service and quality craftsmanship. We will depart from the church no later than 9:00am, have lunch at their restaurant (which is a farm to table restaurant), then visit their Craft village which includes a blacksmith, grist mill, potter, woodworking, weaving studios and gift shop. For more information, visit their website at heritagehomestead.com. Nancy Perrine has been there so she can answer any questions you may have.
- Along with our Support the Girls service project, we will be making sleeping mats for the homeless out of plastic bags. Please be sure and save your plastic bags. When the Great Hall is back in commission, we will have a collection bin for the bags. Nita Hinshaw and Nancy Perrine went to the high school where Dixie Turnbull is a teacher and learned from the students how to make these mats. It's very easy and doable.