

# The Red Door

## JUNE & JULY 2026



### MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

## Summer

I welcome summer's slower pace as an opportunity to slow down and spend more time in contemplative prayer. Fr. Richard Rohr suggests that this enables us to "look at ourselves with the eyes of God" and with a "mutually loving gaze:" He says:

"Much of the early work of contemplation is discovering a way to observe ourselves from a compassionate and nonjudgmental distance until we can eventually live more and more of our lives from this calm inner awareness and acceptance. In a contemplative stance, we find ourselves smiling, sighing, and weeping at ourselves, much more than needing either to hate or to congratulate ourselves—because we are finally looking at ourselves with the eyes of God.

In these moments, we are letting God gaze at us, in the way only God can gaze—with infinite mercy, love, and compassion. God initiates a positive gaze, which now goes in both directions. (Unfortunately, we seldom allow that to happen.)

As we receive God's compassionate gaze in contemplation, all negative energy and motivation is slowly exposed and eventually falls away as counterproductive and useless. There will be no mistrust, fear, or negativity in either direction! If we resort to any form of shaming ourselves, we will slip back into defense, denial, and overcompensation. We will not be able to "know as fully as we are known" (see 1 Corinthians 13:12).

But if we can connect with the Indwelling Presence, where the "Spirit bears common witness with our spirit" (see Romans 8:16), it can and will change our lives! This mutually loving gaze is always initiated by God and grace. Once we learn to rest there, nothing less ever satisfies. This is foundational.

To keep this space within ourselves open, we need some form of meditative practice—something much more than "saying" prayers. Authentic prayer is invariably a matter of both emptying the mind and filling the heart, and often one follows the other. We have to move beyond recited, formulaic, and social prayers to bring the mind down into the heart."

Slow down and spend some time "bringing the mind down into the heart" this summer.

*Peace,  
Bill+*

### A Prayer for Summer

*Gracious God,*

*We thank you for the gift of summer — for longer days and warmer sunshine, for the beauty of creation all around us, and for moments of rest, renewal, and joy.*

*As the pace of life changes with the season, help us to remain attentive to your presence. In the laughter of family and friends, in the quiet of morning light, in the rhythm of waves upon the shore, and in the work and service that continue each day, may we recognize your grace at work among us.*

*Protect all who travel, refresh those who are weary, comfort those who are lonely, and strengthen those who care for others. Bless our communities, our neighbors, and all who visit our shores, that they may find welcome, peace, and kindness.*

*Teach us to be faithful stewards of your creation, to cherish the earth you have entrusted to our care, and to share generously the gifts we have received.*

*May this season draw us closer to you, that our hearts may be renewed, our spirits refreshed, and our lives more fully dedicated to your love and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

## 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Series #4: Sunday After Sunday: The Gift of Common Prayer

One of the greatest gifts of parish life is its steady rhythm. No matter what the week has held—joy or sorrow, calm or chaos—we gather again to pray, to sing, to listen, and to receive God’s grace. Week after week, worship becomes a holy anchor, reminding us who we are and whose we are.

At St. Michael’s, that rhythm has carried us through generations. From the earliest days of our parish to the present, the heart of our life together has been the same: to offer praise to God, to hear the Gospel proclaimed, to intercede for the world, and to be renewed by the sacraments and by the presence of one another. Whether it was held in a building, or outdoors due to COVID, people gathered in gratitude.

In the Episcopal tradition, we are shaped by common prayer—prayer we hold together. The words and patterns of the liturgy form us over time. They teach us how to be honest before God, how to give thanks, how to ask for mercy, how to hold hope when our own words run thin. There is a quiet strength in praying familiar prayers alongside others, knowing that even when one person is weary, the community carries the prayer forward.

Worship also creates memory. We remember palm processions and candlelight, baptisms and confirmations, weddings and funerals, Christmas joy and Easter triumph—moments when God’s presence felt especially near. And we remember the simpler gifts too: a hymn that steadied us, a Eucharist that restored us, a sermon that opened something new, a hand extended at the Peace when we most needed it.

This month, as we reflect on *Worship Through the Decades*, we invite you to consider:

**Memory Prompt:** *What service or season most grounds your faith?*

Is it the beauty of Holy Week, the joy of Easter, the wonder of Christmas, the quiet of an ordinary Sunday, or the comfort of Compline or Evensong? We’d love to hear what worship at St. Michael’s has meant to you; email

[communications@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:communications@saintmichaels-sanibel.org).

**Call to Action:** Please share your favorite liturgy memories, worship photos, and milestones—processions, baptisms, confirmations, Easter celebrations, Christmas services, or any “ordinary Sunday” that became unforgettable. Include names, dates (if you know them), and a sentence or two of context. Your stories and photos will help us celebrate the continuity of worship that has shaped St. Michael’s for 65 years. Email

[communications@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:communications@saintmichaels-sanibel.org).

**Photo Collage on the next page St. Michael’s at worship—across the decades**

Top row left: Fr. Madden instructing the children in the early 1960’s

Top row right: Fr. James Hubbs celebrating Leslie & Brian Almas’ wedding.

2<sup>nd</sup> Row left: First Christmas Service 1961

2<sup>nd</sup> Row right: Christmas Drive in Church in the parking lot during COVID

3<sup>rd</sup> row left: Celebrating baptisms of young and old, grandmother Myrtle Hann (mother of Wendy McGaha) and her granddaughter, Sophie Kemp, being baptized together by Fr. Bill Van Oss

3<sup>rd</sup> row right: A baptism by Fr. William Dodd

4<sup>th</sup> row left: Celebrating Thanksgiving outdoors distanced 2020

4<sup>th</sup> row right: Acolytes 2009 (L-R: Emma Neill, Marvell Bradley and Abby Neill)

And watch a fun video of Easter 1965 we discovered here: <https://youtu.be/87z5uDWcgT4>

~ Submitted by Sue Van Oss



## Love Sanibel Back:

### Summer in Full Swing

As summer settles into a slower rhythm on Sanibel, Love Sanibel Back 2026 is once again gaining momentum across our island. What began as a simple invitation to *Buy Local, Spread Joy, and Give Back* has already inspired neighbors, businesses, nonprofits, and visitors to celebrate the community spirit that makes Sanibel so special with marvelous Kick Off Events at the Sanibel Farmer's Market and Sunset Happy Hour on the rooftop of Shalimar.

Throughout June and July, residents and guests alike are discovering that supporting our island doesn't require grand gestures. A meal at a local restaurant, a visit to a favorite shop, a kind word to a service worker, or a donation to a family in need all help strengthen the fabric of our community. Every act of support reminds local business owners, nonprofit leaders, and neighbors that they are valued and appreciated. And if you are away for the summer, you can still be a part of Love Sanibel Back and support our island through shopping online;

<https://www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/lsb-online>

One of the most rewarding aspects of Love Sanibel Back has been seeing people connect with one another. Summer can sometimes feel quiet on the island, but these months also provide opportunities to build relationships, meet new neighbors, and enjoy the beauty of Sanibel at a more relaxed pace. The weekly "Spread Joy" challenges encourage simple acts of kindness that brighten someone's day while deepening our sense of belonging.

Several community gatherings are still to come this summer, offering fun and meaningful ways



to connect. June's Sip, Surprise & Create gathering at Heart of the Island Shops brings together books, treats, creativity, and conversation. In July, Noah's Ark Thrift Shop will once again host its popular Christmas in July celebration with many other businesses offering holiday fun, followed by the island-wide Shell Stroll, where participants can explore local businesses while collecting shells, enjoying family activities, and celebrating all that makes Sanibel unique.

And new this year several businesses are offering discounts and deals if you stop by wearing a Love Sanibel Back button! You can check out the long list on our websites below and stop into the church office Monday-Friday 10am-5pm to pick up your button.

More than anything, Love Sanibel Back reminds us that community is built through relationships. It grows when we support one another, celebrate local businesses, lend a helping hand, and share joy wherever we can. Whether you participate in one event or many, your involvement helps make Sanibel a stronger, kinder, and more connected place. Many thanks to the members of the Community Engagement team (and their spouses) who have been planning for LSB since January and do a great job staffing the events; **Doreen Bolhuis, Dawn Harris, Patti Kolster, Bill Larson, Cathy Luman, and JoEllen Simons**, I couldn't do it without them!

To view upcoming weekly themes, event details, how to purchase a Love Sanibel Back t-shirt, see photos and more visit the Love Sanibel Back Linktree page or the St. Michael's website. We hope you'll join us throughout the summer as together we continue to love Sanibel back.

~ Submitted by **Sue Van Oss**

**Learn More:**

[Love Sanibel Back Linktree](#)

[St. Michael's Love Sanibel Back Page](#)

## Spiritual Pathway: Reaching Out to the World

Let's help kids start school this Fall with a new backpack and supplies.

Immokalee, a little over an hour from us at Saint Michael's is a farming community, growing tomatoes and citrus. Saint Michael's partners with Misión Peniel, a farmworker support community. In July they serve the families by assuring that all school-age children start school with a backpack and supplies. We can help provide supplies for this initiative by bringing supplies to the church during June. Items needed the most are:

- Backpacks for high school students
- Notebooks, 1-subject wide rule
- Composition notebook
- Looseleaf paper
- Highlighters
- Permanent markers

Also, ballpoint pens, index cards, colored pencils and washable markers

Drop items off in the large bin inside the back parking lot entrance doors. If you would like to donate funds instead, you can put cash in an envelope or make a check out to St. Michael's with school supplies in the memo line. Drop in the offering plate or mail to the office.

The Misión Peniel volunteer group will take these supplies to the mission on June 25. If you would like to attend, reach out to **Sue Sterrett**



## Bible Study with the Rector Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM



Join the Rector - The Rev. Bill Van Oss – as he leads a lectionary-based Bible study using the scripture readings for the coming Sunday. Join meeting at:

<https://zoom.us/j/93045997623>

ZOOM Meeting ID#: 930 4599 7623  
or contact Susan in the church office.

### Yoga: Spirit in Motion



Take a break from the stress and hustle of daily life and join us for a rejuvenating yoga class. JoEllen adapts for all abilities and skill levels; beginners welcome!

**Thursdays @ 9am**  
**Saturdays @ 9am**

**St. Michael's Parish Hall-2304 Periwinkle**

Certified Yoga Instructor  
JoEllen Simons

Bring a mat, (if you don't have one, we will have extras) water bottle, and comfortable clothing.  
No class fee, but there is a donation basket available for the instructor.

A part of Spiritual Pathways  
@ St. Michael's

For more info:  
[pathways@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:pathways@saintmichaels-sanibel.org)



## Next Vestry Meeting

June 18<sup>th</sup> & No July @ 1:00 p.m.

In-Person in the  
Thomas Madden Room

## From Your Parish Nurse, Wendy

Alzheimer's disease continues to affect



millions of families across the country, and researchers are learning more every year about how to slow its progression and improve quality of life. According to the Alzheimer's Association, more than 7 million Americans are currently living with Alzheimer's, a number expected to rise as the population ages.

Alzheimer's is a disease that affects memory, thinking, and behavior. Early signs may include forgetting names, repeating questions, losing track of time, or difficulty completing familiar tasks. While there is still no cure, doctors and researchers are making progress in understanding how lifestyle, early diagnosis, and supportive care can help people live more comfortably and independently.

One encouraging area of research focuses on healthy daily habits. Studies suggest that regular exercise, social interaction, proper sleep, and a balanced diet may help support brain health. Simple activities such as walking, reading, puzzles, music, or spending time with family can help stimulate memory and improve mood.

"Small routines can make a big difference," one caregiver support article noted. "People living with Alzheimer's often feel calmer when their day has structure and familiarity."

Families caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's are also encouraged to seek support for themselves. Caregiving can be emotionally and physically demanding. Local support groups, churches, community centers, and respite care programs can provide encouragement and practical help.

Experts also recommend keeping communication simple and reassuring. Instead of correcting or arguing, caregivers are encouraged to respond with patience and kindness. "The goal is connection, not perfection," one memory-care specialist explained.

New medications approved in recent years may help slow the disease in some patients when diagnosed early, though they are not effective for everyone. Researchers continue working toward better treatments and earlier detection methods.

Although Alzheimer's can bring many challenges, compassion, understanding, and strong support systems can greatly improve the lives of both patients and caregivers. As awareness grows, communities can play an important role in helping families feel less alone on the journey.

If you have any thoughts or questions, please feel free to email me: [nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org).

**Alzheimer's Association**  
**Florida Gulf Coast Chapter**  
**727-578-2558**



If you are looking for a CPR Class, Let me know and I will find a class that fits your needs and schedule.

Contact Wendy Warner, Parish Nurse in the Church Office or by email at [nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org)

## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Summer is here and it's time to review your hurricane plan. Know when, where, and how you are going to evacuate *prior* to a storm. Reach out to other parishioners and neighbors who may need your assistance in getting prepared for a storm.

### Basic emergency preparedness list:

It is preferable to keep everything together in an easily accessible place and have enough supplies to get you through for a minimum of 7 days.

- A gallon of drinking water per person per day
- Non-perishable ready-to-eat food
- Manual can opener
- Medications – see medical preparedness below
- Analog phone – one that does not use batteries or electricity.
- Personal hygiene items
- Pillow, blanket, towel
- First aid kit, sunscreen, bug spray
- Cash, credit cards
- Important documents - driver's license, social security card, medical cards, insurance policies – all kept in a sealed plastic bag
- NOAA weather radio or battery-operated AM/FM radio
- Clean clothes, sturdy shoes, hat
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Unscented bleach for disinfecting water
- Written instructions on how to turn off electricity, gas, water if authorities advise you to do so. Remember, you'll need a professional to turn back on natural gas service.

### Medical Preparedness:

- Make a **Medical Information List** with the names and phone numbers of your medical providers and why you see them; list of cognitive or communication difficulties you have; list of allergies and sensitivities; list of medications and dosages – both prescription and over-the-counter (OTC).
- Keep all medications in their original labeled containers
- Have a 14-30 day supply of each medication.
- Have additional copies of your prescriptions.
- List of medications that are in the refrigerator and a reminder to put them in a refrigerated bag or cooler.
- List of specific equipment you need – glasses, hearing aids, body supports, communication

devices, canes, walkers. Make certain they are all labeled and have extra batteries and chargers if necessary.

- List of emergency out of town contacts with phone numbers; provide the church with a copy.

**Lee County's Special Needs Program** provides three types of shelter – emergency public shelters, special care shelters and hospitals. The Department of Health will determine which is appropriate for your needs based on the information you provide on your application. The Program also provides transportation to these shelters. To adequately prepare for the number of people requiring these services, **pre-registration is required. A new application must be submitted each year to remain on the Special Needs registry (application packet is available on table in the Gallery.)** The Special Needs Program is designed to be a backup plan for an evacuation if you have no other place to go.

### *Protecting your Pets*

- ✓ Keep up-to-date identification on your pets at all times.
- ✓ Have current color photos of your pets to be kept with your emergency supplies.
- ✓ Because of a greater threat of disease, it is important that your animal be up to date on their vaccinations.
- ✓ If you must evacuate, take your pets with you! Your pet's best protection is to be with you!

**If you must leave your pets behind, DO NOT** leave pets in carriers, as they will not be able to get more food and water when needed.

Place a notice on your front door advising what pets are in the house and where they are located. Provide a telephone number where you or a contact can be reached as well as the name and number of your veterinarian.

**Lee County has one Pet-friendly Shelter at South Fort Myers High School which will shelter dogs and cats only when accompanied by owner.**

[www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/tropical-preparedness](http://www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/tropical-preparedness)

## What Are Your Plans?

If you didn't complete this form last year or are a new parishioner, or you must update your information from last year, please fill out the form below. We want 100% participation in filling out this form. **This is for ALL parishioners who are staying in the area during hurricane season.** We want to make sure that all your 2026 information is correct. Please if you can fill out this form so our information for this hurricane season is correct. We want to make sure you are safe and that we can communicate with you in the event evacuation is needed. An online fillable form is available on our website [www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/hurricane-plan-form](http://www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org/hurricane-plan-form) or in the Friday Brief or pick up a form in the Gallery or Church office.

### SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SANIBEL

*Hurricane Season Plan ~ 2026* (Please Print clearly)

Name #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Note: \_\_\_\_\_

Name #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Note: \_\_\_\_\_

Landline \_\_\_\_\_

**In the event of a hurricane, I / we plan to:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**A person outside of the area that I / we will keep in contact with:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: Family \_\_\_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this form to Parish Nurse Wendy Warner or the Church Office.  
This information is kept by Saint Michael's in case of a hurricane.*

## Important Numbers & Websites TO HAVE DURING HURRICANE EVACUATION

Emergency Fire and Police - 911  
American Red Cross Lee County - 239-278-3401 or  
1-866-GET-INFO  
Spanish -239-278-5234  
US Coast Guard Station Ft. Myers Beach - 239-  
463-5754/www.uscg.mil  
Community Housing Resources (CHR) - 239-472-  
1189  
FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)  
800-621-FEMA / 800-621-3362  
FISH OF SANCAP - 239-472-4775 or 239-472-  
0404 24hr Service  
FL Highway Patrol - 239-278-7100 or 239-344-  
1730  
Hurricane information Hotline – Sanibel 1-800-933-  
6093  
Lee Co. Emergency Management - 239- 533-0622  
Lee Co. County Sheriff's Office - 239-477-1000  
(non-emergency)  
Lee County Electrical Cooperative (LCEC) - 239-  
995-2121 or 239-656-2300  
National Weather Service - 813-645-2506 ~ Tampa  
Bay  
Sanibel City Offices - 239-472-3700  
Sanibel Fire Department - 239-472-5525  
Sanibel Police Department - 239-472-3111  
Island Water Authority - 239-472-1502  
United Way - 211

## IMPORTANT WEB SITES TO HAVE DURING HURRICANE EVACUATION

American Red Cross, Lee County - [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)  
(Florida's Southern Gulf Chapter)  
City of Sanibel - [www.MySanibel.com](http://www.MySanibel.com)  
US Coast Guard - [www.uscg.mil](http://www.uscg.mil)  
FEMA - [www.FEMA.gov](http://www.FEMA.gov)  
FISH OF SANCAP - [www.fishofsancap.org](http://www.fishofsancap.org) or  
[info@fishofsancap.org](mailto:info@fishofsancap.org)  
FL Emergency Management - [www.FloridaDisaster.org](http://www.FloridaDisaster.org)  
Fort Myers News Press - [www.news-press.com](http://www.news-press.com)  
Hurricane Tracking - [www.nhc.noaa.gov](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov)  
Lee County Emergency Management –  
[www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement](http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement)  
United Way - [www.unitedwaylee.org](http://www.unitedwaylee.org)  
National Weather Service - [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov)

## Noah's Ark Prepares for Summer Closing

As another wonderful season winds down at Noah's Ark Thrift Shop, we invite our parish family and community to help us finish strong with exciting sales events and a special Christmas in July celebration!

Please note that the final day to accept donations before our summer closing will be **June 14**. We are deeply grateful for the many generous donations that help make Noah's Ark such a meaningful ministry and community resource throughout the year. Please do not leave anything on the dock after that date; you can donate your items at several off-island thrift shops like Teen Challenge, Goodwill or St. Matthew's house; and hang onto them until we reopen for donations in September, exact date TBA.

In the weeks ahead, shoppers can look forward to a variety of fun sales days and specials throughout the store, leading up to a fun **Christmas in July event on July 7**. The store will be filled with holiday treasures, music and even candy canes.

Our final day open for the season will be **July 14**, after which Noah's Ark will close for the summer months and reopen in **October** refreshed and ready for another exciting season.

This ministry would not be possible without the extraordinary dedication of our volunteers. We offer heartfelt thanks to every volunteer who gives their time, energy, and hospitality to serve our community with kindness and care. We are also deeply thankful for our loyal customers and for everyone who donates items to support the mission of Noah's Ark.

We especially want to recognize and thank our leadership team for their outstanding service and commitment, led by our volunteer manager, Wendy McGaha. Your leadership, creativity, and countless hours of work help Noah's Ark continue to thrive as both a ministry and a blessing to our island community.

Thank you to everyone who has supported Noah's Ark this season. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in October!

# MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

**Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> & July 14<sup>th</sup>  
at 8:30 a.m.**

Men's fellowship meets once per month during the summer - on the second Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Church Library and via ZOOM.

**On June 9:** WWJE? What would Jesus eat? We'll have some fun looking at the foods Jesus mentions and perhaps other foods mentioned in the Bible. Remember, Jesus was a Jew and probably kept kosher. What does that mean? Wendy Warner will join us to address the nutritional aspect of these foods.

**On July 14,** we will have coffee and conversation. No specific topic or speaker as of yet - but stay tuned.

I hope your schedule permits you to attend these events - even from afar.

**Men's Fellowship ~ Meeting ID #820 0070 2322**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82000702322>

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## Vestry Corner Input June 2026

Key Points from May 21<sup>st</sup> Vestry Meeting

- We continue to be blessed in that operating income and expenses are generally tracking in line with our annual budget. We will see if this trend holds as snowbirds and travelers leave Sanibel for the summer months.
- Vestry is part of a Diocesan review of church disaster insurance costs which have risen significantly over the past two years. We and other churches are considering reducing costs by assuming more risk ourselves or switching coverage to different carriers.

- Vestry is evaluating contractor proposals to remove and replace all siding on the Ark building. Following the "hurricane trio," we restored the building interior to code, but the exterior was restored only to "functional" condition so as to resume operations as quickly as possible. We now need to complete the proper exterior restoration.



The Leadership Board met on May 11, 2026. The Board welcomed new members **Modell Plummer** and **Susie Wilson** to the meeting. Each committee chair mentioned that work was already underway for a successful ECW year to come.

Of Note: Noah's Ark is open one day a week on Tuesdays from 10:00am-1:00pm until July 14<sup>th</sup>. On July 7<sup>th</sup> they will celebrate Christmas in July and will reopen in October for sales. Workdays are Monday and Friday from 10:00 to 1:00. Because several 'snowbird' volunteers have left for the north, the Ark needs more volunteers. If you are able, please, please volunteer.

Because of an adjacent date conflict, the Executive Board agreed to cancel the DaySpring Retreat on March 3-4, 2027. Two Days of Reflection will be held instead, one on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (Advent) and one on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2027 (Lent) at St Michael's. Both will be led by **Rev. Coleen Tully** and **Sue Van Oss**. Please mark your calendar accordingly.

**Terry Baldwin**  
*President ECW*

# 4<sup>th</sup> of JULY

★ SEE ST. MICHAEL'S IN THE ★  
**Parade 9:30am**

**July 4, 2026**

**SIT ON THE FRONT LAWN OF  
CHURCH TO WATCH THE  
PARADE, NOTE PERIWINKLE  
CLOSES AT 9AM SO COME  
EARLY TO HOLD YOUR  
SPOT!**

THE SANIBEL RECREATION CENTER PRESENTS

St. Michael's  
is a  
proud  
sponsor  
& will  
have a  
craft  
table for  
all ages!

**stars**  
**Stripes**



**Saturday, July 4, 2026** ★ 11:00am-2:00pm  
3880 SANIBEL CAPTIVA ROAD-SANIBEL, FL



Celebrate with us at this AMAZING Community event!

- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
- Food - Drinks - Treats - Games - Face Painting**
- Photo Booth - Swimming - Community Partner Activity Tables -**
- HUGE Inflatables and the**
- Annual Water Balloon Showdown with the Sanibel Fire District**

*May They Rest in Peace*

**George Kenneth “Ken” Chambers**

April 26, 2026



**Beverly “Bev” Kitch**

May 4, 2026



**Thomas August**

May 4, 2026



**Pierre “Piff” Piffarerio**

May 7, 2026



**Philip Urion**

May 8, 2026



**Margery Chambers**

May 20, 2026



**Valerie “Val” Sadd**

May 25, 2026



**Memorial Service for Travis Meridith**

June 20, 2026 @ TBD

## Prayer List Update

Many of the names on Prayer List have been removed since we are unable to follow up on how the person is doing. Please if you would like a person to be added back on, call or email Wendy, the Parish Nurse at [nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:nurse@saintmichaels-sanibel.org) or call Susan at the church office.

**Please remember all those on the Prayer List. Names are printed in the Red Door version that was sent via email to parishioners.**

## New Birthdays and Anniversaries?

With so many new faces among us, we want to make sure we have your birthday(s) and anniversary (*if applicable*).

We try to pray for each person individually on these special days and will put your name in the worship service bulletin at the appropriate time. It will also appear in the Red Door Newsletter as you see here! If you feel so inclined, please fill out the form below and send it in to the church or drop in the offering plate, with your name and birth date, including year please (*for office use only*) - and thank you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

## Safeguarding God’s Children

### New & Recertification On-line Training

Safeguarding Online™ is an internet-based training program developed by Praesidium and provided by the Church Pension Group. Safeguarding Online can be accessed at any time, from anywhere. The program presently consists of six modules. Each module offers easy to understand, step-by-step instruction and ends with a brief quiz.

Certification and recertification are active for five years and **both are now available to take online.**

If you are not sure of your certification expiration or if you need one, **please contact Susan in the Church Office** at [parishsecretary@saintmichaels-sanibel.org](mailto:parishsecretary@saintmichaels-sanibel.org) or (239) 472-2173.

### Coming Up

Service of Holy Eucharist & Social Hour	Every Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Service of Holy Eucharist & Coffee Hour	Every Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Santiva Islanders – Coffee & Conversation	Every Monday	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Library
Church Staff Meeting	Every Other Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Thomas Madden Room
Santiva Islanders – Mahjong	Every Thursday	1:00-3:30 p.m.	Parish Hall
Bible Study w/ the Rector	Every Thursday	10:00 a.m.	ZOOM
Yoga Class	Every Thurs. & Sat.	9:00 a.m.	Parish Hall
Evening Prayer (Compline)	Every Thursday	6:00 p.m.	ZOOM
AA Meeting	Every Friday	7:30 p.m.	Parish Hall
Volunteer Day at Everyday Café	Mon. June 1	9:00 a.m.	CCM Soup Kitchen, FMY
LSB - Sunset Happy Hour	Thurs. June 4	7:00 p.m.	Shalimar Resort
Men's Fellowship (hybrid)	Tues. June 9	8:30 a.m.	Library / ZOOM
Santiva Islanders: Book Review Grp	Wed. June 10	11:30 a.m.	Library
Outreach Ministry (hybrid)	Thurs. June 11	1:00 p.m.	T. Madden Rm / ZOOM
ZONTA	Wed. June 17	8:00 a.m.	Parish Hall
Vestry Meeting	Thurs. June 18	1:00 p.m.	T. Madden Room
Memorial Service for Travis Meredith	Sat. June 20	TBD	St. Michael's
LSB: Sip, Surprise & Create	Thurs. June 25	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Heart of the Islands Shops
Church Office Closed – Independence Day Weekend – Monday, July 6			
Volunteer Day at Everyday Café	Mon. July 6	9:00 a.m.	CCM Soup Kitchen, FMY
LSB: Christmas in July	Tues. July 7	10:00 a.m.	Noah's Ark Thrift Shop
Pastoral Care Ministry	Wed. July 8	10:00 a.m.	ZOOM
Grants Committee Meeting	Thurs. July 9	3:00 p.m.	T. Madden Room
LSB: Shell Stroll	Mon. July 13	12:00 p.m.	Begins: Bubbly Latitude
Men's Fellowship (hybrid)	Tues. July 14	8:30 a.m.	Library / ZOOM
ZONTA	Wed. July 15	8:00 a.m.	Parish Hall



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## **Worship & Fellowship**

- **Saturday at 5:00 p.m.** – Holy Eucharist, followed by Social Hour.
- **\*Sunday at 9:30 a.m.** – Holy Eucharist, followed by Coffee Hour  
Livestreamed at [www.vimeo.com/smaasanibel](http://www.vimeo.com/smaasanibel)  
(\*With Sunday Shuttle pickup at Shell Point)

Thursday    10:00 a.m.    Bible Study on ZOOM  
                  6:00 p.m.    Evening Prayer (Compline) on ZOOM

### **----- Noah's Ark Thrift Shop -----**

**Hours: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Open One Day a Week ~ Tuesdays ~ through July 14<sup>th</sup>.**

Donations are being accepted through June 15<sup>th</sup>.

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