

The Archangel



The Monthly Parish Newsletter

**Saint Michael and All Angels' Church
Denver, Colorado**

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2027

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2028

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2029

Billy Joe Dolce, III

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Founded as a Mission 1925

Original Church Built 1926 • Elevated to a Parish 1944

Present Church Built 1954 • Parish Hall Built 1974

Complex Remodeled 1985 • Parish Hall Remodeled 2018

Kitchen Remodeled 2019 • Bathrooms Remodeled 2021



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My Dear People:

First off, I want to convey to all of you my sincerest and heartfelt gratitude for you many expressions of sympathy and support upon the death of my mother last month. Because I had to leave for Canada suddenly, the weekday Mass schedule had to be cancelled, and some the September meeting of the Society of Mary postponed. Through a trying time, I felt the balm of your prayers. St. Michael and All Angels' Church's reputation for a loving and kind congregation finds no better validation than your kindness toward me at this time. Thank you.

Normally, I am here to celebrate the entire Michaelmas Octave including the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels on October 2nd. However, I have been invited to participate in the 25th anniversary of Canon Barry Swain's Institution as Rector of the Church of the Resurrection, New York City on Friday October 2nd. Father Swain was my mentoring priest at S. Clement's, Philadelphia and I am honored to attend. I leave for New York on Thursday, October 1st and return home on Saturday, October 3rd.

October 4th is the 72nd Anniversary of the Consecration and Dedication of St. Michael and All Angels' church building. The Dedication (or Consecration) anniversary highlights the reality that the center of all worship is Our

Lord's Presence in the Tabernacle or tent within these four walls. When we enter the church the outside world dims, and we find ourselves in the presence of the Lord of Heaven and Earth. Just as Jacob exclaimed in Genesis: *Surely God is in this place!*

I will be accompanying our delegates to this year's Diocesan Convention in Westminster, October 9th. It is an annual requirement which must be undertaken. Services on Friday are cancelled. However, the monthly Society of Mary will meet as scheduled on October 10th.

October is a good time to think about how we can support St. Michael and All Angels' Church in terms of our time, our talent, and our treasure. St. Michael's is special because it holds a unique place not just in the Diocese of Colorado, but in the wider Anglican Church in terms of traditional liturgy, teaching, and music. The challenges we face, which are not limited to this church alone, are ongoing. The Vestry and I appreciate your support for the mission and ministry of St. Michael's each year. Parishioners and friends have been very generous giving their time, and treasure. Stewardship finds its Christian meaning in giving of "ourselves, our souls, and bodies" for the spread of the Gospel. Good Stewardship utilizes the many talents God has given to us for the purpose of building up the Body of Christ and making his Kingdom known. We cannot do any of this without you!

When we pledge our time, talent, and treasure for the coming year it is a sign of trusting that God will continue to equip us to be effective witnesses of the Resurrection through St. Michael and All Angels' Church. Please give prayerful consideration towards how you will support our church in the mission to save souls for Christ in 2027. Mark Moore, the Treasurer, and Wendy Warner, Assistant Treasurer, are happy to assist parishioners in making a financial pledge to St. Michael's. I am always happy to help you find ways in which God can use your time and talent.

All Saints Day is Sunday, November 1st. We are fortunate to have as the guest preacher, The Reverend Canon Greg Foraker. Canon Mike Orr will be accompanying him as well. The Brunch will be similar in many ways to the Pentecost Brunch. It will be a parish provided affair with an identical menu: Eggs with bacon! The cost of brunch is \$10 per person. Children 6 and under are free. Reservations are required.

All Souls Day is Monday, November 2nd. Said Requiem Masses will be offered at 9:00 a.m. (Rite I), and 12 Noon (Rite II). We will forego the Sung Requiem this year. Next year, I hope to resume a simple Sung Requiem for All Souls. Names of the departed received via the All Saints/All Souls letter will be divided up and read during the two Requiems. The major choral Requiem is on Remembrance Sunday, November 8th. The All Saints/All Souls letter, containing donation envelopes should be available for pick up at the back of the church soon.

All Souls Day envelopes are used for an offering for the souls of those for whom you wish us to pray. The offering may be of any amount (the point is not to support the church but to remind us that all acts of love should cost us something; and it is a biblical injunction to make offerings for the dead). Members may certainly attend one or both Requiem Masses on November 2nd, but submitting names to be prayed is not contingent upon your attendance. Parishioners who have a list of the dead please remember to review it for accuracy, because we build a new All Souls list **each year**. If you have any questions about the list of your beloved dead, please contact Kathy the Parish Administrator at the church office (303) 777-5181 or via email at office@saintmichaelsdenver.org.

Affectionately, your Friend and Pastor,

Father Trent Fraser

From the Parish Register

Burial of the Dead

Walter Paul Leser, aged 97, died July 25, 2026. Requiem Mass from the Parish Church on August 27.

Lillian Joyce Loudon Fraser (mother of Father Fraser), aged 93, died on September 6, 2026. Burial at Strong Community Cemetery, Sundridge, Ontario, Canada, September 14, 2026. Requiem Mass said in the Parish Church on September 25, 2026.

I am the Resurrection and the Life, saith the Lord

St. Clare's Guild

Claudia Walker

Our regular schedule remains the same this month! Participation is optional, but we would love for you to drop in, grab a cup of coffee, and enjoy the fellowship. Everyone is welcome—come as you are!



Books 'n' Brunch

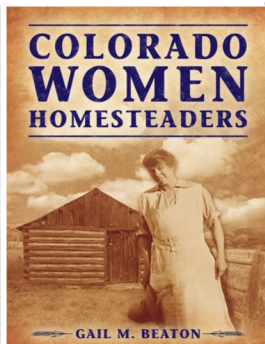
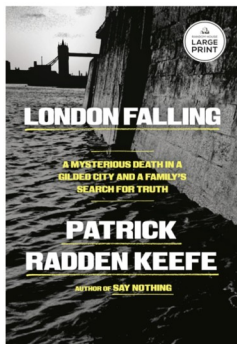
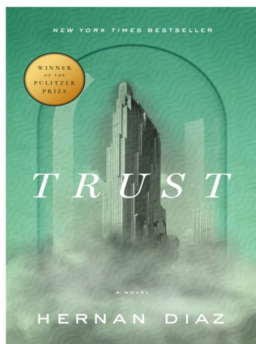
Kathleen McGraw

We will next meet October 4th in the Parish Hall and via Zoom at 12:00noon. We will be discussing **TRUST** by Herman Diaz. This Pulitzer Prize novel is a complex story of how money and power can manipulate facts.

The next book on our agenda is **LONDON FALLING** by *Patrick King*. After a couple's son dies mysteriously they search for the truth. It is a powerful narrative filled with suspense and staggering revelations.

We then will return to Colorado by reading and discussing **COLORADO WOMEN HOMESTEADERS** by *Gail M. Beaton*. The history of some thirteen thousand women who homesteaded in Colorado in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

We welcome anyone interested in reading any or all of our selections and joining us for our fun, lively discussions. For more information call St. Michael's office.



Church Rummage Sale



Flowers

October Flowers

GIVEN BY	AVAILABLE
	↓ ↓
October 4 The Feast of the Dedication	
Walker	
	Sanctuary
	Michael
	Mary
October 11	
Walker	
	Sanctuary
	Michael
	Mary
October 18	
McGraw	
Heerdt Family	
	Michael
	Mary
October 25	
Avery Family	
Hochstetter	
	Sanctuary
	Michael

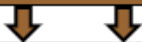
Kindly take a look at the schedule for flowers.

Adjustments can be made by calling the office.

Contact the office for pricing.

Candles

October Candles

GIVEN BY	AVAILABLE
	
October 4 The Feast of the Dedication	
Cope	
St. Martha's Altar Guild	
Walker	
Werner	
	Mary
October 11	
McKinster	
Cope	
St. Martha's Altar Guild	
Loiseau	
October 18	
Howe	
A Parishioner	
St. Martha's Altar Guild	
	Passion
	Walsingham
October 25	
Walker	
The Parish	
Jones	
Loiseau	
	Annunciation

Kindly take a look at the schedule for Candles.

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All memorial lamps are available for \$5.

Save the Date

The Society of Mary meets for Mass, Rosary, and fellowship on Saturday, October 10th beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The Altar Guild meets on Saturday, October 10th at 12:00 noon.

The Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament meets Thursday, October 15th at 6:00 p.m. for supper and discussion. The evening ends with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us.

The Monthly Meeting of Vestry is at noon on Sunday, October 18th at 12:00 noon.

Sunday, November 1st is All Saints Day. Guest Preacher, The Reverend Canon Greg Foraker. All Saints brunch in the Parish Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Tickets are \$10 and tickets for children 6 and under are free.

Monday, November 2nd is All Souls Day. Requiem Mass' at 9:30 a.m. (Rite I) and 12:00 noon (Rite II). Please mark your calendars and send in the names of your departed loved ones to the office by Monday, October 26th.

November 8th is Remembrance Sunday. Solemn Requiem at 10:00 a.m.

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