



SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

An Episcopal parish in the Catholic tradition

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Dear St. Michael's School parents,

On behalf of the people of St. Michael & All Angels Church, I welcome you to the 2022-23 school year. As we prepare for the coming year, I am profoundly grateful for the blessing of working with and among the children and adults of our school community. I'm also excited to welcome the Rev. Kristin Barberia, our new School Chaplain, who will work alongside me and Mr. Sullivan in our school and church community.

As an Episcopal school, St. Michael's School is grounded in the work and worship of the Episcopal Church, a Christian community of over seven thousand congregations coast to coast, and also in fifteen other countries. As Episcopalians, one of our central commitments is to strive for justice and peace among all people, respecting the dignity of every human being. These values are not just for Christians - so regardless of your child's faith background, our school works to be a community where we strive for justice and peace, and respect the dignity of every human being - and where we form young people to do the same in the world.

Over the years, many school families have come to worship at St. Michael's Church, in addition to sending their children to our school. Some come for the big occasions like Easter Day or Christmas, and others become frequent worshipers and members of the parish. We are grateful for everyone who steps through our doors to join us in worship, and if you do not already worship in another church, we hope you will come on a Sunday and get to know who we are as a church, and come into an encounter with our loving, life-giving, and liberating God.

Our main service each Sunday is at 10:30 am. It's a "big" service with choir, hymns, and a ritual deeply rooted in the Church's two-thousand-year history, while at the same time authentically responding to the needs and concerns of life in the twenty-first century. We also feature a simpler service at 9:00 AM especially designed for children and their families to worship together, under the leadership of Mo. Kristin Barberia, our school's Chaplain. Other services are at 7:45 AM and 5:00 PM, and at 12:30 PM we offer a bilingual Spanish/English service. You and your family are welcome to attend any of these services, any Sunday.

We will always be happy to see you here – at school on a weekday, at church on a Sunday, or any time. If you have any questions about St. Michael's Church, please contact me directly at the phone number above.

Peace be with you.

David Benedict Hedges, BSG
Rector