

Progressive Dinner and Organ Crawl

St. Michael Roman Catholic and First Presbyterian, Annandale Cindy Bartoldus and Larry Young, hosts Monday, May 12, 2008, 7:00pm

Our May program will feature a progressive dinner and organ crawl to St. Michael Roman Catholic Church and First Presbyterian Church, both in Annandale. We will enjoy an organ demonstration and the salad course at St. Michael, and then will continue to First Presbyterian for the main course, a brief recital by Susan Burkhalter and dessert. We look forward to welcoming you for one of our most popular annual programs.

St. Michael Catholic Church was established in June 1953 by Bishop Ireton to address the growing Catholic population in Annandale, VA. The mother church of St. Michael's was St. Mary of Sorrows in Fairfax Station. From 1951 until the formal establishment of St. Michael Parish, a Sunday Mass was celebrated in Annandale Elementary School's cafeteria for the 125 original parishioners. Each week new parishioners appeared. Fr. Scannell was a visionary who was able to foresee the urban sprawl that would happen in Fairfax County over the next 50 years.

First Presbyterian Church of Annandale (FPCA) has always put special emphasis on music as a significant part of worship. At least twice a year, usually around Easter and Christmas, the choirs prepare special programs that enrich the seasons for FPCA members and friends and neighbors. These are occasions when additional voices and/or instruments join the choir. Throughout the year, musical groups from the community (including Annandale High School choruses) perform in the sanctuary, which speaks well of the sanctuary's acoustics, and of the Lewis and Hitchcock tracker organ and concert grand piano.

Thanks,
Scott Matthias, Program Chair

Directions to St. Michael Roman Catholic:

Via I-495 (Capital Beltway):

Take the Little River Turnpike/VA-236 East exit, Exit 52A-B toward Annandale. Merge onto VA-236 East/Little River Turnpike via Exit 52B in the direction of Annandale. Continue for a mile and a half to Ravensworth Rd. and make a right. After half a mile, turn left onto Saint Michaels Ln. Continue for 1/10 mile and bear right to stay on Saint Michaels Ln. The church is at 7401 Saint Michaels Lane, Annandale, VA 22003.

Directions to First Presbyterian Church from St. Michael:

Start out going south on Saint Michaels Ln. toward Carmine St. Saint Michaels Ln. becomes Bradford Dr. Turn right onto Carmine St. After 1/10 mile turn left onto Ravensworth Rd. Continue for 3/10 mile to Newcastle Dr. and turn right. First Presbyterian is at 7610 Newcastle Drive, Annandale, VA 22003.