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Our Dear **Patsy McCann Davis** will be celebrated in a memorial service this next Saturday at 11AM. Patsy was a member of Saint Michael and All Angels for more than 50 years. I apologize for the quality of this old photo of Patsy but it is one of my favorites of this dear, dear lady.



At our Annual Meeting **Father Doug and Senior Warden Judy Frothingham** implored us to be more involved in the activities of the church and in contributing to



its financial health. Roberto Newell presented a report on the health of our endowment and there was consensus by all present that we should not touch our principal unless



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there is a dire emergency. **Tom Esakin** spoke up and memorably said that this “**Parish is going to Perish**” if we are not all more involved in the life of Saint Michael’s. Senior Warden Judy’s report stressed the importance of pledging. “No matter how great the pledge one needs to pledge.” **Tim Bardwell** mentioned the importance of Legacy Gifts in the hope that we could begin to approach members. Treasurer **Wendy Blake** presented the budget which was unanimously approved. There was a great deal of discussion about the music program. Hopefully we reached some consensus on this issue.

I would add that if you have a talent you think you can contribute let’s talk about how we can take advantage of that talent to create another program of outreach for the parish. A few weeks ago I wrote about the need for a Pastoral Ministry only to discover that **Pat Manners** has a history in this area and is willing to help. Stay tuned for an announcement of our first Pastoral Care Ministry Meeting. I’m thrilled that we will be able to meet the needs of some among us who may be shut in from time to time or need some additional TLC.

Sunday, February 11,
Tom Esakin gave a beautiful homily on the subject of UN Interfaith Harmony Week. Of great interest was his surprising statement that within the congregation of Saint Michael’s we have Catholics, Baptists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Jews, Bahai Buddhists and even agnostics and atheists! Not to mention nearly a dozen nationalities! Wonderful presentation Tom!



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On Friday, February 16, Senior Warden **Judy Frothingham** invited organists in the community to tryout for organist/choir director. **Brian Bockman, Walter Lopez and Carol Hopkins** were the chosen jury. The only candidate who showed up will be providing the music for the service, Sunday, March 3. Come to church and let us know what you think. March 3 is also Library Sunday! The library will be open for several hours on Sunday morning.

We have had a full house each Sunday for weeks now. **Father Doug** is excited and we all hope this will lead to more activities, more outreach, more community. In the meantime **Debbie** and her Hospitality Ministry continue to turn out delightful “goodies” each Sunday and no one ever seems to want to leave. Debbie’s motto, “Feed them and they will come” seems more true than ever.

Our community activities continue to flourish! February 29 (Sadie Hawkins Day for those of you who remember) we will have the monthly salsa and cumbia lessons and dancing at Mexico Lindo starting at 7:30. Please let **John Stelly, Charlie Detweiler or Chris Jones** know if you plan to attend.



February 28, 4PM, is the February Lecture in our Lecture Series, “Get to Know Your Neighbor.” **Terry Elizondo** (who everyone knows) will be talking about her lifelong commitment to Cuernavaca’s **Nuestra**



Cabana, one of four international girl guide centers in the world. Last week we had four visitors from Nuestra Cabana and beloved **Harriet Edmond** was its director for a number of years. This is our opportunity to learn more about both Terry and Nuestra Cabana. Refreshments will be served during and after the lecture. The March lecture will feature Pulitzer Prize winning Journalist **John Mitchell**.

Monday, 3:30-5:30, Spanish Grammar & Conversation, Ramon Ramon.

Tuesday, 11-1, Library Tea

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Thursday, 11-12:30, "Yoga with Ann"

Friday, 10-12, Senior Club with "The Team."