## St. Michael the Archangel

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Dear Parish Family,

In a few days we will say goodbye to the month of January. But before welcoming the month of February, was there something worth remembering and reflecting in January? It could be just anything, a special occasion perhaps or maybe a long awaited answer to a prayer or a sad situation in life. No matter what it was, it was something special because it touched a chord of a sweet or a sad memory in your life. More than that it made you grow or achieve a sense of maturity in your life. It certainly helped you to be what you are today.

I can't shake off the saints celebrated yesterday at mass. They were Sts. Timothy and Titus. They were close friends of St Paul in the early church. St Paul nurtured spiritual relationships with many early Christians and Sts. Timothy and Titus were two of his dearest friends. St Paul's spiritual relationships made me reflect on my own spiritual relationships as well. Looking back over the years of my life, I remember my parents and aunts who shaped my faith, my pastor and religion teachers as I was growing up, the professors in the seminary, and many others I am sure! I also recall the times when I myself had nurtured those spiritual relationships in the parishes where God put me! I certainly thank God for allowing me to receive and to provide those spiritual relationships too!

Maybe you too can take the time to recall the spiritual relationships that gave you so much and allowed you to give to others in your life. Surely, a happy and nostalgic thought to go into the month of February!

God bless you!

Fr. Dwight