

# St. Michael's Cathedral

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*Cornerstone laid on the Feast of St. Michael, September 29, 1860*

*First Mass celebrated on Christmas morning, 1861*

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## MASS SCHEDULE

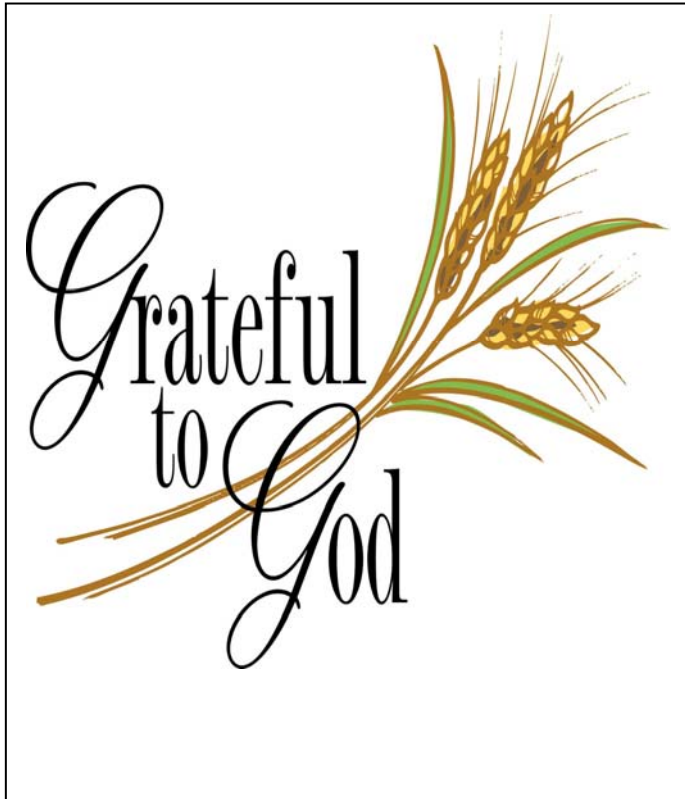
Weekdays at 12:10 PM in the Holy Spirit Chapel

Saturday at 4 PM

Sunday at 8:30, 10 and 11:45 AM (in Spanish), 4 PM

Holy Days as announced

CONFESSIONS on Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 PM



November 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### A Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear God, when I have food, help me to remember those who are hungry.

When I have work, help me to remember the jobless.

When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all.

When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer,  
and, in remembering, help me to destroy my complacency.

Bestir my compassion and make me concerned enough to help,  
by word and deed, those who cry out for what I take for granted,

This Thanksgiving, I thank you for all things bright and beautiful, O loving God.

==Adapted from Samuel E. Pugh==

*The Collection for the Campaign for Human Development will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.*

*Please remember that in the United States, one in six people lives in poverty.*

*25% of the collection will remain in the Diocese of Springfield to fight poverty here at home.*

November 18 - 19, 2017

**The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday	November 18	4:00 PM	
Sunday	November 19	8:30 AM	Cory McBride
Sunday	November 19	10:00 AM	Joseph Jones
Sunday	November 19	11:45 AM	In honor of Our Lady of Providence
Sunday	November 19	4:00 PM	
Monday	November 20	12:10 PM	The Souls of the Faithful Departed
Tuesday	November 21	12:10 PM	
Wednesday	November 22	12:10 PM	Robert F. Connelly
Thursday	November 23	9:00 AM	Bishop Joseph F. Maguire and in gratitude for God's goodness
Friday	November 24	12:10 PM	Tucker Moran
Saturday	November 25	4:00 PM	
Sunday	November 26	8:30 AM	
Sunday	November 26	10:00 AM	The Souls of the Faithful Departed
Sunday	November 26	11:45 AM	Los Legionarios vivos y difuntos
Sunday	November 26	4:00 PM	Anthony Perez

*Please pray for our departed brothers and sisters.*

+ *Sr. Louise Thomas McIsaac, SSJ* + *Joan Maldonado* +

*May they rest in peace and may God comfort all those who mourn them.*

## **St. Michael's Matters**

*Welcome! If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or drop in at the rectory.*

*We ask that you place the hymnals in the book racks at the end of Mass or return them to the ushers.*

*New parishioners are asked to visit the rectory office as soon as possible to fill out parish registration forms.*

MISSION STATEMENT: ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHEDRAL PARISH, A CONGREGATION WITH A RICH HISTORY, IS A WELCOMING DIVERSE COMMUNITY WHICH EMBODIES THE VALUES OF PERSONAL HOLINESS, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND COMPASSION FOR ALL. UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE ARCHANGEL, THE CATHEDRAL OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD CREATES A LEGACY OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE THROUGH WORSHIP, SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE AND GOSPEL-INSPIRED OUTREACH.

### **Dates to Remember:**

Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm  
Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am  
Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am  
Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm  
Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 am  
Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm

**Our Lady of Providence Dinner**  
**Our Lady of Providence Mass**  
**THANKSGIVING MASS**  
**The First Sunday of Advent**  
**Pastoral Council Meeting**  
**Culture of Life Mass**  
**Advent Penance Service**

**WEB UPDATE:** Photos from the Mass of Remembrance are in the Gallery under Parish Photos. They may also be seen in the Cloister Gallery between the church and the hall.

**THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF OUR SOUP KITCHEN TEAM,** 105 people were served dinner at South Congregational Church last Saturday. The continuing donations and work of the team provide this service to the community. This month, John Korona, chairperson, Ron and Laura Maggio, John Rook, and John Wcislo, deserve our praise.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL ANNUAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE** will be held on Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> following the 12:10 PM Mass which will be celebrated that day in the Cathedral. Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

**THE ANNUAL "CULTURE OF LIFE" MASS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The Massachusetts State Council of the Knights of Columbus will be present at the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Rozanski will be the main celebrant.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GRAND ANNUAL GIFT EFFORT** are now being received. This collection remains in your parish to help with building maintenance, operating costs, and ministry development. It would be reassuring if all parishioners responded by donating as they are able.

**AN END-OF-THE-YEAR MESSAGE FROM OUR ENVELOPE COMPANY:** All contribution envelopes must be placed in the collection basket or returned to the rectory office by January 8<sup>th</sup> so they may be sent by the 12<sup>th</sup> to our envelope company for tabulation. This is to ensure that all parishioners' year-end statements may be mailed by January 31<sup>st</sup>. **Any donations received after January 8<sup>th</sup> will be included in the 2018 report.**

**COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AND 12<sup>TH</sup>:** Weekly (\$3,309.00); Fuel (\$127.00); All Souls Day (\$35.00 (addl.); *Catholic Mirror* (\$35.00 (addl.).

**A HISTORICAL NOTE:** Bishop Joseph F. Maguire, born on September 4, 1919, died on November 23, 2014. In his obituary, Bishop Maguire's thanks were extended to his family and to his two faithful caregivers, Mrs. Ronnie Donohue and Sr. Patricia Francis, SSJ. Bishop Maguire was known as "the people's bishop---a most respected and beloved clergyman."

**ARCHANGEL E-MAIL:** *After creating the earth, God created Adam and Eve and the first thing God said to them was, "Don't eat the forbidden fruit!"*

*"Hey, Eve" cried Adam. "We've got forbidden fruit!" "No kidding!" said Eve.*

*"Do not eat that fruit!" repeated God. "Why?" said Adam. "Because I said so." answered God.*

*A few minutes later, God saw them having an apple break and he got very mad. "Didn't I tell you not to eat that? Why did you?"*

*"I dunno," said Eve. "She started it!" said Adam. "Did not!" "Did so!"*

*Having had it with the two of them, God decided that their punishment would be that they'd have children of their own.*

## Diocesan Events

**THE POPULAR SINGING PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD** will return to the stage for an Advent and Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 PM at the Boyd-Quinson Mainstage, 30 Union Street in Pittsfield. Tickets for the holiday concert are \$30.00 and will be available through the theater box office on Union Street or by phone at 413-236-8888 as well as online at [www.barringtonstage.com](http://www.barringtonstage.com). Proceeds will be directed towards future youth ministry outreach in the Berkshires.

**A RECENT COMMENT FROM BISHOP ROZANSKI:** While supporters---proponents of physician-assisted suicide--- portray this as a compassionate effort, it is far from that which is why groups representing some of the most vulnerable in our society, the disabled and elderly, remain in strong opposition. . . In a time when we are confronted by a crisis of teen suicide, such an effort would no doubt send our young people a mixed message.

(Written in response to an article brought before the Amherst Town Meeting on November 6, 2017)

**THE ANNUAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE AT SACRED HEART CHURCH ON CHESTNUT STREET** will be held on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Mass will be celebrated at 5:15 PM and the penance service will follow. Area priests will hear confessions in various languages.

**A "NEW SPIRIT" ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION** will be held at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church in Westfield on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM. The non-profit youth ministry organization, featuring Pat Sears and Barry Kingston, is committed to proclaiming the good news of God's Real Presence in the world and his Unconditional Love for each of us. You are invited to attend and be enriched in your personal ministry this Advent Season. The fee is \$20.00 per person (lunch included). Reservation forms are available in the rectory office,

**AN INVITATION TO PARISHES INTERESTED IN SOLAR POWER:** The diocese is sponsoring a seminar on solar power on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM in the Bishop Marshall Center. The presenters will be Brightfields Development LLC (specialists in parking lot canopies and ground solar fields) and SunBug Solar (specialists in rooftop solar arrays). Both are the preferred vendors of the Archdiocese of Boston and come to this diocese highly recommended. If you wish to attend, please call 452-0695 by November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**AN ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION** will be presented by Professor Mary Keator and Fr. Warren Savage on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the DeCicé Hall at the Marian Center, 1365 Northampton Street in Holyoke. This is an opportunity to step out of the busy world and take time to reflect on what it means to be watchful and to see God and neighbor in the chaos of life. Participants will be guided through some spiritual practices that help to develop and nurture the art of seeing things as they really are, not as we believe them to be nor want them to be, but as they are. The cost is \$35.00 for the day (including lunch). Please call 413-687-1850 to register.

**A CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL** will be held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on William Street on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. The event has been described as an interactive experience with Christmas carols and their message. Refreshments will follow. For more information call 508-446-5756.

**AN EVENING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP** is presented by the Living Stones Prayer Group at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills every Monday evening at 6:30 PM. You are cordially invited to join these spirit-filled programs. Fellowship and light refreshments will conclude the evenings.

**POPE FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL** will hold a placement test for incoming freshmen on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 to 11:00 AM at their present site at 134 Springfield Street in Chicopee. Incoming freshmen are required to take the test and should register as soon as possible. For more information, visit popefrancishigh.org or call 331-2480, ext. 1132.

**“SPIRIT OF THE SEASON” AT POPE FRANCIS HIGH:** This “geared for adults” fundraiser promises to be an evening of holiday music, hors d’oeuvres, cash bar, and silent and live auctions. Homeroom and faculty groups are creating theme baskets which will be up for bid. The event will include the auction of a stocked wine cooler and a week-long getaway at a home in York, Maine. Tickets are \$25.00 each or two for \$40.00. Proceeds will benefit student activities. To purchase tickets, call 413-331-2480, ext. 1271.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES OFFERS AN “ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS” PROJECT.** If you would like to help a client family in need during the Christmas season, information will be provided on the family and its wish list. Gifts must be received by December 15<sup>th</sup> at 65 Elliot Street. Please call Catholic Charities at 452-0572 for more information.

**IRISH CULTURAL CENTER 2018 IRELAND TOUR:** The ten-day trip to Dingle, Killarney and Galway will be held from May 15<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>. An information session about the trip will be held this Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at the Mary Dooley Campus Center at Elms College. The tour is limited and will be filled on a first-come first-paid basis. The cost is \$2,795.00 per person double occupancy. For more information, call 413-519-2135 or visit IrishCenterwne.org for the detailed itinerary and reservation application.

## Community Events

### HOLIDAY PLANS TO BRIGHTEN THE CITY!

**BRIGHT NIGHTS:** The Forest Park display will be open from November 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup>. Themed light presentations include Seuss Land, Toy Land and Winter Woods. Kids may also have their photos taken with Santa in the Gift Shop.

**THE NUTCRACKER** will be presented at Symphony Hall by the Symphony and the Albany Berkshire Ballet on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 and 4:30 PM.

**A HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA WITH THE GRINCH:** On Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM, the Symphony will happily welcome Guest Director Nicholas Palmer, Cantor Martin Levson and the Grinch himself, whose “heart is full of unwashed socks.”

**BUT DON’T FORGET CHRISTMAS MASS WITH YOUR CATHEDRAL FAMILY!**

**WE’LL EXPECT TO SEE YOU.**

<i>The Order of Mass for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		
<b>Entrance:</b>	<b>#794</b>	<b>God Whose Giving</b>
<b>Readings:</b>	<b>#1167</b>	
<b>Psalms:</b>	<b>#172 (antiphon ii)</b>	
<b>Presentation:</b>		<b>The Love God Has for Us</b>
<b>Communion at 10:00 am:</b>		<b>Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer</b>
<b>Communion at 4:00 pm:</b>	<b>#999</b>	<b>Eat This Bread</b>
<b>Departure:</b>	<b>#723</b>	<b>City of God</b>