

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel



Third Sunday of Lent

Join us for Holy Mass



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All Masses are celebrated in the Cathedral



Weekdays, M-F: 12:10 p.m.
Saturday, Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY MASSES: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m.
Misa en Español: domingo, 11:45 a.m.
Holy Day of Obligation: As announced



Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

(MASSES ARE CELEBRATED IN THE CATHEDRAL UNLESS NOTED ELSEWHERE, BELOW.)

MARCH 22-30, 2025

Saturday Vigil	March 22	4:00 p.m.	†Russell Sikorski (1 st ann.)
Sunday	March 23	8:30 a.m.	The People of St. Michael's Cathedral
Sunday	March 23	10:00 a.m.	†Charles and Carmen Liston
Domingo	23 de Marzo	11:45 a.m.	†Alejandro Ortiz Valdez
Sunday	March 23	4:00 p.m.	†Louis and Corinne Riel
Monday	March 24	12:10 p.m.	
Tuesday	March 25	12:10 p.m.	†Patricia Rivera
Wednesday	March 26	12:10 p.m.	
Thursday	March 27	12:10 p.m.	
Friday	March 28	12:10 p.m.	†Martin B. Murray, Jr.
Saturday Vigil	March 29	4:00 p.m.	†Wilfred and Cecile Seam
Sunday	March 30	8:30 a.m.	†Margarita Rivera
Sunday	March 30	10:00 a.m.	†Anne Lizak
Domingo	30 de Marzo	11:45 a.m.	☉ Por el 61 Aniversario del Bautismo de Damaris Pérez †Amparo Santiago
Sunday	March 30	4:00 p.m.	

Please pray for our dearly departed brothers and sisters in Christ, marked with the sign of faith †.

The Third Sunday of Lent

Eucharistic Adoration at the Cathedral

- 2nd Thursday of each month following the Pro-Life Vigil, before the 12:10 p.m. Mass (English).
 - Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Holy Spirit Chapel (Spanish).
- All are welcome. Todos son bienvenidos.

The Lord is kind and Merciful.

The 3rd Sunday of Lent, THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE, **Luke 13:1-9**,
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032325.cfm>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

MARCH 15-16, 2025, 2nd Sunday of Lent:

All Masses: (\$3,434.00); Fuel (\$163.00)

MISSION STATEMENT / MISIÓN

Guided and protected by our patron Saint Michael the Archangel, the Cathedral parish is a welcoming, diverse community which embodies the mission of Christ who strengthens us by the sacraments.

Guiada y protegida por nuestro patrón San Miguel Arcángel, la parroquia Catedral es una comunidad acogedora y diversa que encarna la misión de Cristo quién nos fortalece a través de los sacramentos.

From the Rector's Desk:

In our Gospel this weekend, Jesus is teaching about the notion of personal responsibility when it comes to sin. Instead of looking at sin as the reason that other people suffer calamities, we need to look instead to ourselves. Jesus says, not once but twice: "If you do not repent, you will perish as they did."

The lack of personal responsibility for sin seems to be symptomatic to our modern age. We are quick to point fingers at others when something goes wrong, instead of owning up to something if we are to blame. It's easier to blame society or government or childhood upbringing instead of shouldering the responsibility when it comes to personal sinfulness. That's what repentance is all about.

Thomas Merton, the Trappist mystic, spoke of repentance when he reflected on the Good Thief at the Cross of Jesus in his book, *No Man Is an Island* when he wrote: "The dying thief had, perhaps, disobeyed the will of God in many things: but in the most important event of his life, he listened and obeyed."

Personal responsibility for sin is difficult, no doubt about that, but Jesus advocates for us to the Father and gives us the grace to grow and bear fruit. But first, we must repent and take personal responsibility for our sinfulness. And if repentance is difficult, remember that God's grace is enough to help us seek forgiveness and grow in his love.

TEACHING ON CONFESSION:

Fr. Gary will give, once again, a teaching on the Sacrament of Confession ***this coming Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.*** in the Bishop Marshall Center. All are invited. Confession is a matter of life and death, come and hear why.

JUBILEE YEAR PINK MASS:

Bishop Byrne is inviting all people throughout the diocese who are suffering from cancer and those who have recovered from cancer treatment to a special Jubilee Mass on **Saturday, April 5th at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral.** A special indulgence will be received at this Mass. Following Mass we will have the Anointing of the Sick for those who would like to participate in this Sacrament.

TEACHING MASS WITH FR. GARY:

On **Wednesday, April 2nd** will have a Teaching Mass in the Cathedral church at **7:00 p.m.** This will be an actual Mass broken down into parts to understand why we do and say what we do during the **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.** There will also be a teaching on the priest's vestments and sacred vessels. Come and join us.

The Parishes of the Springfield Deanery invite you to a Lenten Penance Service

Thursday, April 3rd at 5:15 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church

395 Chestnut Street, Springfield, 01104

Join us for Mass at 5:15 p.m. followed by confessions heard by area priests in various languages.



FAITH:

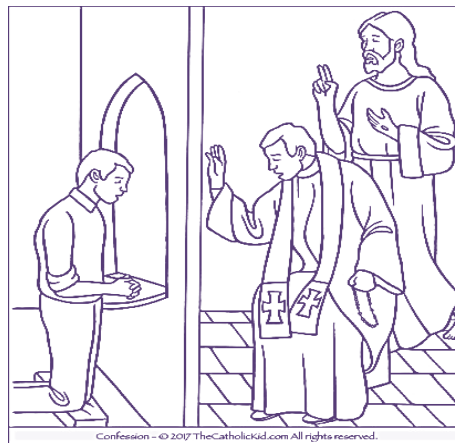
What does the Bible say?



A Lenten Bible Study (bilingual: English/Spanish) to be held in the Bishop Marshall Center at Saint Michael's Cathedral led by Fr. Yerick Méndez

Upcoming sessions will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the following Monday's during Lent:

- **MARCH 24** Faith and Works (Part 1: Love and Obedience)
- **MARCH 31** Faith and Works (Part 2: Faith and the Church)
- **APRIL 7** Living Faith in Jesus Christ
 - How to live our Faith
 - Questions and Answers on Faith



CONFESSIONS: In addition to the Saturday afternoon confessions 3:15-3:45, beginning with Ash Wednesday, we will have confessions available from 11:30 - 12 noon in the Cathedral. Confessions are always available by appointment. You can call the rectory and make an appointment with any priest.

PRAYING THE STATIONS DURING LENT:

We will be praying the Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral each Friday after the 12:10 p.m. Mass. We will also have Stations of the Cross in Spanish each Friday evening at 6:30 p.m.

2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Bulletin Announcements

"Together in Hope" is the theme for the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. We are all pilgrims on a faith journey to sainthood. As Pilgrims of Hope, we are called to encounter the mercy of God, who makes all things new and gives us the gift of hope. Through our giving, our prayers, and our fasting, we become persons of mercy and we enable others to encounter the Lord and his abiding hope through us. The work of the ministries and community agencies of the Annual Catholic Appeal are your Catholic faith in action.

Please consider a gift to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal.

You can make your gift online at <http://diospringfield.org/aca>.

If you have already donated, thank you for helping us to meet our goal. Your support is greatly appreciated.

A Retreat Day with Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held on Saturday, March 29th, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

(Registration: 8:30 a.m.) at the Celebration Center at Jericho located at 537 Northampton Street, Holyoke.

Cost: \$20 (lunch).

Retreat Director: Deacon Daniel Prats

Call: (413) 452-0511

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Please send registration to: Disciples of Mary, 537 Northampton St., Holyoke, MA 01040.