

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

Join us for Holy Mass

In memory of
His Holiness Pope Francis



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- Rev. Sinh Trinh, Parochial Vicar
- Deacon Angel Pérez
- Deacon José Rivera
- Dolly Garzón, Ministerio Pastoral
- M. Lynn Dubreuil, Director of Religious Ed.
- Ashley Duplessis, Director of Music
- Jacob Broer, Head Sacristan and Assistant to the Director of Music
- Michael Gilsinger, Weekend Sacristan
- Julian Flores, Maintenance
- Paul E. Evans, Jr., Altar Server
- Mary Jeanne Tash, Safety & Security Coordinator
- Wanda Castellano, Administrative Assistant

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:

Please refer to the Mass Schedule.

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

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

Mass Schedule

Cornerstone laid on the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel, September 29, 1860 / First Mass celebrated on Christmas morning, 1861.

APR 26-MAY 4, 2025



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday Vigil	April 26	8:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Annie Vasseur
Divine Mercy Sunday / Domingo de la Divina Misericordia			
Sunday	April 27	8:30 a.m.	†Maria Tran
Sunday	April 27	10:00 a.m.	†Selborne Graham
Domingo	27 de Abril	11:45 a.m.	†Santiago Nieto
			†Miriam Morales
Sunday	April 27	4:00 p.m.	A Special Intention
Monday	April 28	12:10 p.m.	†Maria Tran
Tuesday	April 29	12:10 p.m.	50 th Anniversary of Damaris Perez's First Eucharist
Wednesday	April 30	12:10 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Wanda Proulx
Thursday	May 1	12:10 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Lissette Flores
Friday	May 2	12:10 p.m.	†Maria Tran
Saturday Vigil	May 3	4:00 p.m.	Religious Education: Mass of Our Lady's Crowning
			†Maria Tran
Sunday	May 4	8:30 a.m.	†Santa Serrano
Sunday	May 4	10:00 a.m.	†Edward Napierski
Domingo	4 de Mayo	11:45 a.m.	†Maria Luisa Olmo
Sunday	May 4	4:00 p.m.	†Maria Tran



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



†Pope Francis

2nd Sunday Easter Sunday / Divine Mercy Sunday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral

- 2nd Thursday of each month following the Pro-Life Vigil, before the 12:10 p.m. Mass.
- Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Readings for **the 2nd Sunday of Easter**, The Gospel According to John, **Jn 20:19-31**,

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/042725.cfm>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

APRIL 19-20, 2025, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

All Masses: (\$4,430.00); Fuel (\$80.00)

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.

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FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK:

The Church is deeply saddened with the sudden and unexpected death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. We just saw him on Easter Sunday coming onto the balcony to give the Urbi et Orbi (City and World) blessing and being driven in the Popemobile around St. Peter's Square amongst the crowds gathered. Only 2 short days later, little did we know that his body would be carried through St. Peter's Square into St. Peter's Basilica to begin the funeral rites of the Church.

The Church now enters into a time of "Sede Vacante" (Vacant Seat or Chair). This is an official time in the Church in which we mourn the death of the Pope and await his successor. During this time the College of Cardinals together exercise authority in the Church and provide for its necessary governance, but "solely for the dispatch of ordinary business and of matters which cannot be postponed." While the Chair of Peter is vacant, no big decisions can be made and nothing the previous popes have decreed can be changed. For example, no bishops can be appointed throughout the world, no canonizations can be carried (as is the case of Bl. Carlo Acutis who was to be canonized this weekend, April 27).

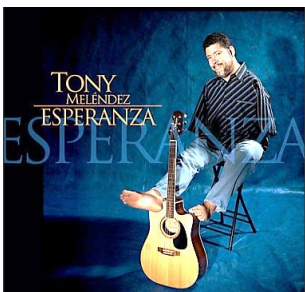
However, the life of the Church doesn't stop entirely. For this reason, a small number of senior Church officials continue in office, including the camerlengo (Cardinal Kevin Farrell – Irish born American citizen and former Bishop of Dallas) and the Vatican's major penitentiary - responsible for dealing with the forgiveness of reserved sins.

Following the Pope's funeral on Saturday morning, April 26, the Church enters into a time of prayer for a new Pope who will become the 267th Successor of St. Peter. The Cardinals will choose the date for the beginning of the Conclave which must take place within 15-20 days after the death of the Pope. More next week about Conclave.

CHAPLAIN FOR SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE: Bishop Byrne has appointed Fr. Gary the chaplain of Springfield College in addition to his duties as Rector of the Cathedral and Chaplain for the Springfield Fire Department. Fr. Gary will celebrate a 7pm Mass on Sunday evenings on the college campus (during the academic year). This appointment was made official on April 7th.

WOMEN'S DAY AT THE CATHEDRAL: On Tuesday, May 13th, Bishop Bryne is calling all women of the diocese to join him for a Jubilee Mass for Women at 7pm in the Cathedral. This is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Following Mass we will have a guest speaker - Dr. Lucy Lu from Washington, D.C. a consecrated member of the Crusaders of Mary. She will be speaking about the dignity and vocation of women by St. John Paul II and Our Lady of Fatima.

40TH JUBILEE OF PRIESTHOOD: Our Rector, Fr. Gary will be celebrating his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 18th at 2pm in the Cathedral. Fr. Gary was ordained in St. Michael's Cathedral on May 11, 1985. He would like to extend an invitation to members of the Cathedral parish to join us for this Mass, followed by a light reception in the Bishop Marshall Center.



Tony Melendez Concerts at St. Michael's Cathedral

Dates/Times:

- Tuesday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m. in English.
- Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. in Spanish.

2nd Sunday Easter Sunday / Divine Mercy Sunday

THE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: This is an extraordinary day of God's mercy as described and desired by Jesus himself through his revelations to St. Maria Faustina, a humble Polish nun in Poland in the 1930's.

Jesus said: "I desire that the Feast of Mercy, to be held on the Second Sunday of Easter each year, be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. *The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.*"

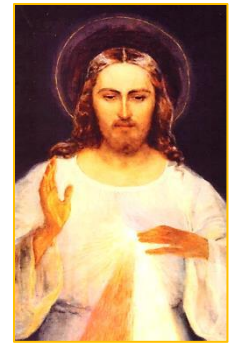
One of the requirements to receive the plenary indulgence is to have no attachment to sin. This is the difficult one and the main difference between the indulgence and Jesus' promise.

"....tell the whole world of My great mercy; that whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy. Oh, how much I am hurt by a soul's distrust! Such a soul professes that I am Holy and Just, but does not believe that I am Mercy and does not trust in My Goodness. Even the devils glorify My Justice but do not believe in My Goodness. How much I am hurt by a soul's distrust! Such a soul professes that I am Holy and Just, but does not believe in My Goodness."

In Jesus' promise of a profound and immense grace to those who would celebrate this feast of His Divine Mercy, he likens this grace received today as second baptism.

To fittingly observe the Feast of Divine Mercy:

- Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter (or its Vigil).
- Sincerely repent of all our sins.
- Go to Confession.
- Place our complete trust in Jesus.
- Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast (or its Vigil).
- Venerate the Image of The Divine Mercy.
- Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.



To receive the Extraordinary Graces of this Feast, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil) by making a good confession before and staying in the state of grace and having total trust in His Divine Mercy. To receive the special plenary indulgence on The Divine Mercy Sunday, a confession must be made within 20 days before or after the Sunday itself. It doesn't have to be on the day of the feast, but it's important to be in a state of grace before receiving Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday.

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Previous hidden message:

JESUS IS OBEDIENT.

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FATHER
FORGIVEN
HOLY SPIRIT
JESUS
LIFE
MY GOD

MY LORD
NAILMARKS
PEACE
REJOICED
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THOMAS