

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

The Baptism of the Lord

Join us for Holy Mass



260 State Street, Springfield, MA 01103

Email: stmichaelscathedral@diospringfield.org
Website: www.stmichaelscathedralspfld.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/thearchangelspfld

Main Office Phone: (413) 781-3656
Prayer Line: (413) 452-0603

CLERGY, STAFF, AND VOLUNTEERS

- Bishop William Draper Byrne
- Very Reverend Gary M. Dailey, Rector
- Rev. Yerick Méndez, Parochial Vicar
- Rev. Sinh Trinh, Parochial Vicar
- Deacon Angel Pérez
- Deacon Joe Rivera
- Dolly Garzón, Spanish Pastoral Minister
- M. Lynn Dubreuil, Director of Religious Ed.
- Ashley Duplessis, Director of Music
- Jacob Broer, Cathedral Organist / Head Sacristan
- 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: As announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

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

Please call the parish office to schedule your Mass Intention.

Mass Schedule

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

JAN 10-18, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday Vigil	January 10	4:00 p.m.	
Sunday	January 11	8:30 a.m.	
Sunday	January 11	10:00 a.m.	†Jerry Jones
Domingo	11 de enero	11:45 a.m.	Legión de María
Sunday	January 11	4:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Cassandra Gagnon
Monday	January 12	12:10 p.m.	†Jan Hill
Tuesday	January 13	12:10 p.m.	
Wednesday	January 14	12:10 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Thomas Ficarra
Thursday	January 15	12:10 p.m.	
Friday	January 16	12:10 p.m.	
Saturday Vigil	January 17	4:00 p.m.	†Gregory Paul Platzer
Sunday	January 18	8:30 a.m.	Healing for Ted Phillips
Sunday	January 18	10:00 a.m.	
Domingo	18 de enero	11:45 a.m.	Mass of Our Lady of Altagracia Blessings for Juan and Carmen Lugo on celebrating their 57 th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday	January 18	4:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Michael Ficarra

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

The Baptism of the Lord

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. All are welcome.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Readings for the Baptism of the Lord, The Gospel According to Matthew, [Matthew 3:13-17](https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/011126.cfm),
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/011126.cfm>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DEC 27-28, 2025, 4th Sunday of Advent
All Masses: (\$3,590.00); Fuel (\$108.00)

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.

The Baptism of the Lord

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK:

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account in Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John, however.

Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this



voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ." The baptisms that the Baptist performs prefigure Christian Baptism.

John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In

Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am

baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11). The baptism of Jesus is another

manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism inaugurates his mission. In a similar way, our Baptism

inaugurates our mission as Christians. Today marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's

feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission.

Our Lady of Altagracia Mass

Mass will be celebrated at 11:45 a.m. on Sunday, January 18, 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral in honor of Our Lady of Altagracia, patron saint of the Dominican Republic. Mass is celebrated in Spanish. All are welcome.



PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The Cathedral Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, January 12th at 6pm in the Cathedral rectory.



Annual Pro-Life Mass and March for Life



Thursday, January 22, 2026

Bishop Byrne will celebrate

the Annual Pro-Life Mass at 10:00 a.m.

(Livestreamed via <https://diospringfield.org/>)

A march down to city hall will follow the Mass.

The Baptism of the Lord

In Baptism, the Holy Spirit moves us to answer Christ's call to holiness. In Baptism, we are asked to walk by the light of Christ and to trust in his wisdom. We are invited to submit our hearts to Christ with ever deeper love." — *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*, pp. 184-185

A Message from Barbara McBride Williamson

The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank the parishioners families and friends for their generous donation of hats, mittens and scarves to warm many small hands and help to keep their heads warm during the winter months. Your support during our annual drive is deeply appreciated.



The Cathedral Parish Food Panty is currently in need of the following items:

- Cereal Boxes (Raisin Bran, Honey Nut, Lucky Charms)
- Chef Boyardee Spaghetti & Meatballs
- Oatmeal Packets
- Soups (Clam Chowder, Minestrone, Chicken Noodle, Cream of Chicken, Beef-Barley)
- Spaghetti Pasta and Sauce
- Sports Drinks (Lyte Body Armor)
- Tuna (Albacore) – regular sized cans
- Cheerios
- Chili Sauce (assorted flavors)
- Raisins
- Spam
- Stove-top Stuffing
- Vienna Sausages (chicken)

Thank you for your donations.

SILENT DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR SINGLE CATHOLIC WOMEN

(18-35 years old)

JANUARY 30–FEBRUARY 1, 2026

(Starting at 6:00 p.m. on Friday through 2:00 p.m. on Sunday)

Holy Mass ~ Adoration ~ Talks ... and abundant silence in which your heart may listen for the Lord's voice. At the beginning and end of the retreat, participants will enjoy a time of conversation and sharing with the Little Sisters of the Poor and with the other young women in vocational discernment. To register contact Sr. Carolyn at sc@littlesistersofthepoor.org by January 28th. Questions? (860) 402-4478. There is no charge for the retreat, but early registration is appreciated. Little Sisters of the Poor, 1365 Enfield Street, Enfield CT.

St. Anthony's Maronite Parish in Springfield along with the Knights of Columbus Council 63 are hosting **Pasta Dinners** at the CEDAR'S BANQUET HALL, 375 Island Pond Rd. in Springfield. Held on the first Wednesday of the month, all Pasta Meals are \$12 a plate. The meal also includes appetizer, bread, salad, dessert and drinks.

The **St. Michael Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order** meets monthly on the 3rd Sunday at 2 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Basilica, Front Street, Chicopee, MA. All are welcome to join us for community prayer, ongoing formation and socialization. Please contact Ellen Donahue at 413-594-6861 for more information.