

# Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Join us for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass



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- Marion Johnson, Pastoral Council Chairperson
- 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.

## FEB 7-15, 2026



## MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday Vigil	February 7	4:00 p.m.	†John Dise, †Meghan Dise, and †Melissa Dise
Sunday	February 8	8:30 a.m.	†Lillian Caraballo
Sunday	February 8	10:00 a.m.	†Lizandra Flores
Domingo	8 de febrero	11:45 a.m.	†Aida María Torres Madera
Sunday	February 8	4:00 p.m.	
Monday	February 9	12:10 p.m.	Healing for Nora James
Tuesday	February 10	12:10 p.m.	†Castellano and Alicea Family
Wednesday	February 11	12:10 p.m.	†Graciela Martínez
Thursday	February 12	10:00 a.m.	Pro-Life Vigil / Vigil for the Unborn
Thursday	February 12	12:10 p.m.	Healing for Emily Bauer
Friday	February 13	12:10 p.m.	
Saturday Vigil	February 14	4:00 p.m.	†Lyle Benoit
Sunday	February 15	8:30 a.m.	†Floyd De Barros
Sunday	February 15	10:00 a.m.	
Domingo	15 de febrero	11:45 a.m.	Socorro 'Soqui' Peña La Legión de María
Sunday	February 15	4:00 p.m.	

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

†Elena Iverson

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### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral



- 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

Readings for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, The Gospel According to Matthew,

Matthew 5:1-12a, <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020826.cfm>

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

JAN 31-FEB 1, 2026, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Masses: (\$3,975.00); Fuel (\$311.00)

### 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:

Today, on February 8<sup>th</sup>, the Church throughout the world pauses for an International Day of Prayer to Human Trafficking. The theme this year 2026 is: "**Peace Begins with Dignity: A Global Call to End Human Trafficking.**" It draws inspiration from Pope Leo XIV's powerful reminder that true peace is gentle and humble, born of love, and sustained where human dignity is upheld. This modern-day slavery results in the exploitation and objectification of people through trafficking which fundamentally destroys the foundations of peace and justice, making its eradication essential to building a just world.

February 8<sup>th</sup> is the feast of St. Josephine Bakhita who was kidnapped as a child and sold into slavery in Sudan and Italy. Once Josephine was freed, she became a Canossian nun and dedicated her life to sharing her testament of deliverance from slavery and comforting the poor and suffering. She was declared a Saint in the Jubilee Year of 2000. St. Bakhita calls upon all people of good will to pray and act for the eradication of human trafficking. Through prayer, we open our hearts; through reflection, we deepen our commitment; and through action, we bring Christ's peace and freedom to those who need it most.

40 million people are victims of human trafficking today. A trafficking victim is someone forced, tricked or coerced to work without pay or perform commercial sex acts and unable to walk away. Victims are of any age, race, gender, nationality and socioeconomic group. Some warning signs include excessive fear, signs of abuse, isolation, lacking ID, always with an older friend, restricted or scripted communication, working excessive hours or being threatened. Human traffickers prey on the most vulnerable – the homeless, runaways, foster youth, immigrants, survivors of sexual abuse and family violence, those in the justice system or with substance addictions. Many individuals are trafficked from their own home, school or neighborhood. Human trafficking is based on exploitation. It does not have to involve movement or border crossing. Frequent locations for sex trafficking are illicit massage parlors, pornography, hotels, truck stops and similar locations. Labor trafficking often takes place in domestic work, agriculture, restaurants, manufacturing and with sales crews. If you suspect human trafficking, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888.

#### Looking ahead...

- **Ash Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> – Masses will be celebrated at 12:10p.m. and 5:00p.m.**
- **Stations of the Cross – Fridays of Lent after the 12:10p.m. Mass and at 6:00 p.m. in Spanish.**
- **The Rite of Election – Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00p.m.**
- **Lenten Bible Study (Bilingual English-Spanish) with Fr. Méndez – Mondays at 6:00p.m. in the Bishop Marshall Center throughout the season of Lent.**

Due to NBC Winter Olympic Coverage, Real to Reel will not air on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Chalice of Salvation will air at 6:00 a.m. on February 8<sup>th</sup> and February 15<sup>th</sup>, and February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Watch full episodes of Real to Reel and the Chalice of Salvation Mass on the diocesan YouTube channel @diocesespringfieldma.

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### Diocese of Springfield, Lenten Regulations, 2026

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat as well as days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed. On days of fast, two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.
2. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
3. The obligation to abstain from meat begins at age fourteen (14) and does not cease.
4. The obligation to fast begins at age eighteen (18) and ceases at age fifty-nine (59).

#### **Please note:**

Although the faithful may excuse themselves from fast and abstinence for a just cause, there is an obligation to substitute another penance in its place. No Catholic should lightly excuse him/herself from these Lenten obligations.

### **Lenten Bible Study**

## **Live Your Best Life: The Cardinal Virtues**

Led by Fr. Yerick Méndez

"A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do the good. It allows the person not only to perform good acts, but to give the best of himself." (CCC 1803) "Four virtues play a pivotal role and accordingly are called "cardinal"; all the others are grouped around them. They are: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. "If anyone loves righteousness, [Wisdom's] labors are virtues; for she teaches temperance and prudence, justice, and courage."(Wis. 8:7) These virtues are praised under other names in many passages of Scripture."(CCC 1805)

This Lent, our Bible Study we will take a deeper look at what the Bible teaches about the Cardinal Virtues and how to best live them on a daily basis. Lent is the perfect time to return to the school of virtue and renew our commitment to become the people God wants us to be. Come and Join us. All sessions are 1 hour long and will be fully bilingual (English/Spanish). I hope to see you there. --Fr. Yerick Méndez

**Where:** Bishop Marshal Center at Saint Michael's Cathedral in Springfield

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

#### **Dates and Topic:**

- Monday, Feb. 23—Prudence
- Monday, March 2—Justice
- Monday, March 9—Fortitude (Courage)
- Monday, March 16—Temperance

### **GROWING IN FAITH**

#### **WORD SEARCH**

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Enjoy searching for the hidden word, name or phrase that is comprised of the remaining letters. Previous Hidden Message:

### **SERMON ON THE MOUNT.**

**CITY**  
**EARTH**  
**GLORIFY**  
**GOOD DEEDS**  
**HEAVENLY**  
**HIDDEN**  
**LAMPSTAND**

**LIGHT**  
**SALT**  
**SEASONED**  
**SHINE**  
**TASTE**  
**TRAMPLED**  
**WORLD**