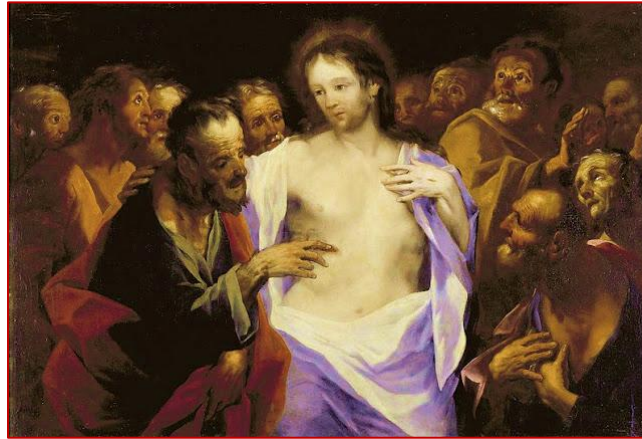


# Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

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 Schedule

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

## APR 11 -19, 2026



## MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday	April 11	4:00 p.m.	†Ana Echevarria
Sunday	April 12	8:30 a.m.	
Sunday	April 12	10:00 a.m.	†The Talarico Family
Domingo	12 de Abril	11:45 a.m.	†Joseph Ortiz
Sunday	April 12	4:00 p.m.	Reparations for the Sins of America
Easter Monday	April 13	12:10 p.m.	†Bernard J. Arnold
Tuesday	April 14	12:10 p.m.	
Wednesday	April 15	12:10 p.m.	
Thursday	April 16	12:10 p.m.	
Friday	April 17	12:10 p.m.	
Saturday	April 18	4:00 p.m.	
Sunday	April 19	8:30 a.m.	
Sunday	April 19	10:00 a.m.	†The Souls in Purgatory
Domingo	19 de Abril	11:45 a.m.	The Legion of Mary
			†Anastasia Morales
			†Antonio Pérez
Sunday	April 19	4:00 p.m.	†Earl and Virginia Platenik

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

†Juan Molina

†Una M. Trudell

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday



### Eucharistic Adoration 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.

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

Readings for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter, The Gospel According to John,

**John 20:19-31**, <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/041226.cfm>

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

APR 5, 2026, Easter Sunday

All Masses: (\$4,817.00); Fuel (\$210.00)

### 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.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

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### **From the Rector's Desk:**

On this great feast of The Divine Mercy we recall the words Jesus spoke to St. Faustina and she recorded in her diary: **I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy. Ask of my faithful servant** (Sr. Faustina's spiritual director Fr. Sopocko) **that, on this day, he 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.** Today's feast of Divine Mercy Sunday came into reality when St. John Paul II declared this day the official day of Divine Mercy during the canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska on April 30, 2000.

How do we receive God's mercy? The Apostles received the Holy Spirit to forgive sins. This is the reason why the Sacrament of Confession is the ORDINARY WAY of receiving God's mercy. We need to love this sacrament by frequenting it in a regular way: for if the body needs daily cleansing, our soul as well needs a frequent spiritual washing, through this Sacrament of God's mercy. God's mercy could convert a sinner into a saint if one humbly resorts to His Mercy. Except for Our Lady, no saint is without a sinful past: no sinner without a future. Jesus said to St. Faustina: ***"My mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world... Do not argue with Me about your wretchedness. You will give me pleasure if you hand over to me all your troubles and griefs. I shall heap upon you the treasures of My grace."***

- St. Peter denied him 3x and St. Mary Magdalene had 7 devils.
- St. Augustine who led a dissolute life before his conversion.
- St. Josemaria Escriva as a body, didn't like the dinner prepared by his mother and threw the plate with the food against the wall... and so on.

But thanks to God's mercy and their willingness to correspond to God's grace, now they are saints. No one is born a saint. One has to want it and with the help of God's grace and mercy, and one's daily struggle to begin again and again till death for love, one will reach holiness if he allows God to work in his soul.

Finally, let us recall Jesus' words to St. Faustina, from her Diary of Divine Mercy in her soul: **Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy. My daughter, write about My mercy towards tormented souls. Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy. Before I come as a just Judge, I first open wide the door of My mercy. He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice. (Diary, n. 1146).** Let us not forget that while we have recourse to God's mercy, He also tells us: *Be merciful as your heavenly Father is merciful.* He wants us to be instruments of his love, compassion, forgiveness and mercy. And let us ask ourselves: Lord, am I merciful towards those who are in need of my help, patience, forgiveness, and compassion.



Thank you for your donations toward the Easter Flowers at the Cathedral  
**Additional Memorials and Tributes:**

**In Memoriam:**

Daley, Yolanda; Rosenthal, Hilda and Robert; Driscoll, Jeremiah; Cieboto Family; Tetreault Family; Smith Family (Rose); González Family (Rafaela); Brathwaite-Garay Family.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

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DISCIPLES  
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HOLY SPIRIT  
JESUS  
LIFE  
MY GOD

MY LORD  
NAILMARKS  
PEACE  
REJOICED  
SIGNS  
SINS  
THOMAS

### MEMORIAL DONATIONS:

We received an anonymous donation of \$1,000 for the St. Michael Statue in the cathedral. The donor requested it be in memory and honor of St. Padre Pio. We also received two donations in the amount of \$500 for 2 new vestments for our Cathedral Church. Memorial tags have been placed inside the vestment. We have purchased a new green vestment for the cathedral that can be memorialized for a gift of \$800. We have a couple other vestments that can be memorialized for \$500 each. The Cathedral Fontanini Nativity Set we use each year does not have a very important part of the Christmas event which are the Three Kings. This nativity set is very beautiful and expensive. The cost of each King is \$6,300. I just received word from the company that they are now on sale for \$5,600. We would like to purchase these to complete our nativity set. If you would like to make a contribution for these statues, please call Fr. Gary at the rectory (413) 781-3656.

### SUMMER PICNIC COMMITTEE MEETING:

After the success of last year's Summer Picnic, we decided to keep it going and it is scheduled for **Sunday, August 2nd** - more details to come. RESERVE THE DATE. We could use additional members on the committee for planning and execution. Please join us this Wednesday, April 15th for a 6pm meeting in the Bishop Marshall Center. Thank you.

### WITH MUCH GRATITUDE:

I want to thank all the priests who assisted in hearing confessions for the 24 Hours of Mercy we had at the Cathedral this past Friday and Saturday. Thank you to all the adorers who spent time praying before the Blessed Sacrament. Perhaps we now have a new tradition at the Cathedral, reconciling dozens of people and bringing them closer to the Lord through sanctifying grace and God's mercy.

### Men's Cursillo Weekend at St. Catherine of Siena Parish

A Men's Cursillo Weekend will take place at St. Catherine of Siena Parish Center in Springfield, Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> until Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Would you like a renewed spirituality and a clearer understanding of how Christ can work through you? Join other men of the community on this weekend and enjoy meeting Christ in a personal way! For questions or more information on how to attend this weekend, please contact Jerry Adams (413) 233-6485; Judy Lloyd (413) 657-4756; Rose Lopez (413) 896-4143.

### Singing Priests Concert at Holy Cross Parish

Join the Singing Priests on Sunday, April 26 at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish, 221 Plumtree Rd, Springfield for a concert. All our Welcome.