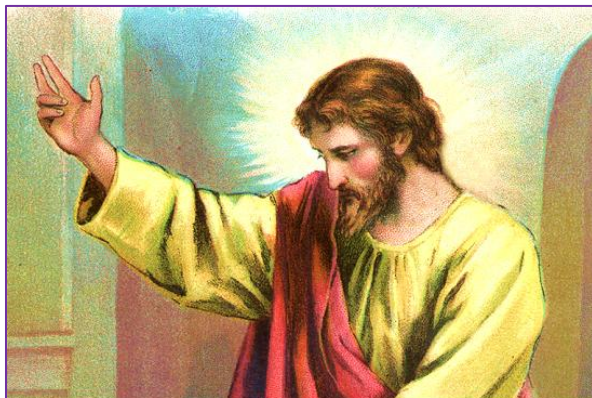


Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Join us for Holy Mass



Anyone who receives my
commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me; John 14:21

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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.

MAY 9-17, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday	May 9	4:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Reese Ficarra
Sunday	May 10	8:30 a.m.	†Yolanda Daley
Sunday	May 10	10:00 a.m.	†Maria Penalbert & Efrain Barrios
Domingo	10 de Mayo	11:45 a.m.	Por Todas Las Madres
Sunday	May 10	4:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Walter & Wanda Proulx
Monday	May 11	12:10 p.m.	†Sr. Maria Goretti, osu
Tuesday	May 12	12:10 p.m.	Health & Healing for Pat Ficarra
Wednesday	May 13	12:10 p.m.	A Special Intention (LT)
Thursday	May 14	12:10 p.m.	†Ken Balise
Friday	May 15	12:10 p.m.	†Fr. Vernon Decoteau
Saturday	May 16	4:00 p.m.	Religious Education Program 1st Holy Eucharist Mass
Sunday	May 17	8:30 a.m.	†Barrows, †Oliver, and †Oakley Families
Sunday	May 17	10:00 a.m.	†Fr. Bob Arpin and †Jeannette Arpin
Domingo	17 de Mayo	11:45 a.m.	Legión de María
Sunday	May 17	4:00 p.m.	†Sr. Martha Helen Thibadeau, osu

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

†Fr. Jack Roach

6th Sunday of Easter



Eucharistic Adoration 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.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Readings for the 6th Sunday of Easter, The Gospel According to John,

John 14:1-12, <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/051026.cfm>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

MAY 2-3, 2026, 5th Sunday of Easter
All Masses: (\$4,125.00); Fuel (\$309.00)

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.

6th Sunday of Easter



From the Rector's Desk:

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord into heaven, known to us as Ascension Thursday which happened on the 40th day of Easter. The apostles and the Virgin Mary joined together in prayer between the Ascension and Pentecost, waiting for the coming of the Holy Spirit. In the *Acts of the Apostles*, there is a short interval of days between the Ascension of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. What happened during those days? What did the apostles do between the Ascension and Pentecost? While we don't know all the details of what they did, the *Acts of the Apostles* does provide some clues and some specific actions that they did during those days.

They devoted themselves to prayer. Immediately following Jesus' ascension, the apostles and the Virgin Mary gathered together in the upper room to pray. This is the same location where Jesus celebrated the Last Supper. This is why many Catholics pray a "novena" of prayer between the Ascension and Pentecost. There are nine days between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday, which is where the popular devotion of novenas has its origin.

They replaced Judas with Matthias. Besides prayer, they were also quite active during these days. The *Acts of the Apostles* explains, "*During those days ... they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles*" (Acts 1:15, 26). The apostles needed to replace Judas and chose Matthias, a disciple of Jesus who was with them throughout Jesus' public ministry. In a homily of St. John Chrysostom, we learn there were very specific requirements that the replacement needed to meet before they were even considered. So, he goes on, we must choose from those men who lived in our company. Notice how insistent he is that they should be eyewitnesses. Even though the Spirit would come to ratify the choice, Peter regards this prior qualification as most important. Those who lived in our company, he continued, all through the time when the Lord Jesus came and went among us. He refers to those who had dwelt with Jesus, not just those who had been his disciples. For of course from the very beginning many had followed him. This requirement, along with being a witness of the Resurrection, qualified Matthias to replace Judas.

They gathered for the Jewish feast of Pentecost. The apostles and the Virgin Mary made the necessary preparations for the Jewish feast of Pentecost. Pentecost is the Greek name for the festival known as the Feast of Weeks, or *Shavuot* in Hebrew. It is, together with *Pesach* and *Sukkot*, one the three pilgrimage feasts of Israel, during which each adult male was required to be present in Jerusalem (cf. Ex 23:14-17). This helps explain why all were present in Jerusalem, and also gives some insight into what they may have been doing during this time.

ASCENSION THURSDAY: This week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord into heaven on Thursday, May 14th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at the Cathedral will be at 12:10 and 6pm (bilingual).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Pray for all of our children preparing to receive their First Holy Communion this coming Saturday, May 16 at the 4pm Mass.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: We are in the midst of the Annual Catholic Appeal, assisting some very important charities, works and agencies of the diocese. Your generosity is much appreciated. The Cathedral is over half their goal now and if you have already donated, thank you very much. If you have not made your donation, there are flyers and envelopes at the entrances to the cathedral church. Thank you.

6th Sunday of Easter

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:

HAVE FAITH IN JESUS.

**ADVOCATE
FATHER
KNOWS
LOVE
OBSERVES
ORPHANS
REMAINS**

**REVEAL
SEES
SPIRIT
TRUTH
WORLD
YOU ARE IN ME
AND I IN YOU**

Diocesan Confirmation Mass

with Bishop William D. Byrne

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

St. Michael's Cathedral

Candidates from various parishes of our Diocese will be sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, as they become united with Jesus Christ.

Religious Education

Mass of First Holy Communion

4:00 p.m., Saturday, May 16, 2026

Coro San Miguel

(Spanish Choir of the Cathedral Parish)

We are looking for volunteers who would like to join the **Coro San Miguel**. Whether you play an instrument or sing, we welcome you. For more information, please contact the director after the 11:45 a.m. Mass in Spanish. Thank you.



Filipino Day at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy

(413) 298-3931

<https://www.shrineofdivinemercury.org/>

Saturday, June 13th

10:00 a.m. - Welcome
1:00 p.m. - Adoration, Rosary, Confessions
2:00 p.m. - Holy Mass (in English)
3:00 p.m. - Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Benediction
4:30 p.m. - Departure
PICNIC LUNCH
12:00 to 1:00 p.m. – Tent Area (Bring your own food and drinks)



Happy Mother's Day



Happy Mother's Day to all moms, step-mothers, foster mothers, great-grandmothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters and friends who love, protect, discipline, guide, and nurture the children in their lives.

Camp with a Higher Purpose, Where Faith, Friendship, and Fun Come Alive!

Children ages 8-15 are invited to attend Camp Holy Cross overnight summer camp.

Session I: July 5-10 and/or Session II: July 12-17.
The cost for each camp session is \$475 including accommodations, meals and all camp materials for the week. Registration is now open.

To register please visit www.campholycross.org.

