

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Join us for Holy Mass



Parable of the Hidden Treasure
Artist: Possibly Rembrandt or Gerard Dou -
circa 1630.

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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 Days: As noted in 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.

JULY 25 – AUGUST 2, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday	July 25	4:00 p.m.	†Tom and Ginger Jesuit
Sunday	July 26	8:30 a.m.	The Members of the Cathedral Parish
Sunday	July 26	10:00 a.m.	†Maureen Coughlin
Domingo	26 de Julio	11:45 a.m.	†Dora María Corzo
Sunday	July 26	4:00 p.m.	Birthday Blessings for Tori Ficarra
Monday	July 27	12:10 p.m.	†Luis Martínez
Tuesday	July 28	12:10 p.m.	†Sr. Dorothy Doyle, osu
Wednesday	July 29	12:10 p.m.	
Thursday	July 30	12:10 p.m.	
Friday	July 31	12:10 p.m.	
Saturday	August 1	4:00 p.m.	
Sunday	August 2	10:00 a.m.	†Fr. Robert Thrasher; †María del Carmen Rodríguez
Sunday	August 2	4:00 p.m.	

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

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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.

Parish Picnic Day

On August 2nd, the three morning Masses will be combined into one Mass at 10:00a.m. (bilingual: English and Spanish). Afterwards, we will enjoy our parish picnic.

LORD, I LOVE YOUR COMMANDS.

Readings for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, The Gospel According to Matthew, **Matthew 13:44-52**,
bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/072626.cfm

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

JULY 18-19, 2026, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Masses (\$3,165.00); Fuel (\$186.00)

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.

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FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK:

This week let us take a look at the question of Mass fasting. So many people ask: Is it an hour before Mass or an hour before receiving Holy Communion?

The Eucharistic fast requires Catholics to refrain from food and drink (except water and medicine) for one hour before receiving Communion, not the start of Mass. This practice is rooted in reverence for the Eucharist, helping us approach the sacrament with intentionality and spiritual preparation. By fasting, we make a small physical sacrifice to remind ourselves of the sacredness of receiving Christ's Body and Blood. The current one-hour fast is a more manageable practice than earlier Church requirements, which often involved fasting from midnight or for several hours prior to Mass. While the current rule is less demanding, the purpose remains the same: to prepare our hearts with humility and focus. For practical purposes, if you're uncertain about the timing of when Communion will take place, a good rule of thumb is to start fasting an hour before Mass begins. This ensures you meet the requirement and allows for any unforeseen delays during the liturgy.

SCRATCH TICKET DONATIONS FOR CATHEDRAL PARISH PICNIC: A popular raffle prize is the Scratch Ticket tree. Thank you to those who have already contributed either Scratch Tickets or money to purchase them. We would like to raffle off 2 trees. Please place them in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or mail or drop them off to the rectory. Thank you very much. Deadline is Monday, July 27th.

CATHEDRAL PARISH PICNIC: Sunday, August 2nd will be our Cathedral Parish Picnic which will be held on the grounds of the Cathedral. We will be combining all the morning Masses into one Mass at the 10am. **THERE WILL BE NO 8:30AM MASS OR 11:45 MASS. WE WILL ONLY HAVE THE 10AM MASS.** Following the 10am Mass we will gather in the Bishop Marshall Center and the outdoor grounds outside the Marshall Center. There will be some games for the children and a raffle with some great prizes. Come and join us!

A Concert in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Join Immaculate Conception Parish, 25 Parker St., Indian Orchard, for a Concert in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, August 16, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. Our parish choir will present a beautiful selection of Marian hymns in Polish, English, and Latin in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. During the concert, the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist will offer reflections on the Rosary. Sister Faith Marie Woolsey, FSE, will speak about the Rosary and its significance, while Sister Rosario Ongayo, FSE, will share real-life experiences related to the mysteries of the Rosary. Light refreshments will be served following the concert. The program is sponsored by the Parish Rosary Sodality. A free-will offering will be accepted to benefit the parish.

MASS ON THE MOUNTAIN:

Experience a unique and beautiful Catholic Mass outdoors with your family, friends and neighbors. It will be celebrated by Fr. Gary Dailey with music provided by the Schola Cantori of the Cathedral of St. Michael. TO BE HELD ON Sunday, August 16th at Fern Valley Farms, 758 Main Street, Wilbraham, MA. It will begin at 12 noon with a journey of discovery into the Catholic Mass. A captivating presentation invites and prepares you for the Holy Eucharist. Mass begins immediately after around 12:30pm. No charge to attend or park. Seating available under tents. You can bring your own chair if you would like to sit on the lawn. You can register on EventBrite.com.

Hope to see you there!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/ma--springfield/fern-valley-farms/>.



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RETROUVAILLE WORKSHOP: A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES:

If your marriage has become distant, troubled, unloving or uncaring; if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, Retrouvaille can help. It provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and rediscover why you fell in love. The next workshop will be held September 18-20, 2026 in Windsor, CT.

For more info go to: helpourmarriage.org or call (860) 837-0447.



Pre-Cana Program



Saint Mary's Parish in Longmeadow will host a Pre-Cana Program on October 31, 2026, from 11:30 AM to 4:00 PM in our Parish Center. This program is meant to help engaged couples prepare for marriage. This will begin with a pizza lunch and end with attending our 4pm Mass. We will limit participation to 12 couples. The fee is \$60 per couple, which will include lunch and materials. Please visit our website at www.stmarylong.org to register.



Religious Education Classes at the Cathedral Academic Year 2026-2027

Religious Education Classes for grades pre-k through high school (grade 12) for the 2026-2027 academic year will resume on Sunday, September 13th. All students must be registered before SEPTEMBER 13th. Please visit the Bishop Marshall Center after the 10:00 a.m. Mass and after the 11:45 a.m. Mass on the following registration dates listed below.

Please register in advance on any of the Registration Sundays.

Classes begin immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Registration Dates for Religious Education Classes:

August 16th, August 23rd, August 30th and September 6th.



Volunteer Recruitment Event

Harmony House of Western Mass. is looking for volunteers. The volunteer opportunities are: Caregiver Volunteers; Fundraising & Events; Special Projects. This recruitment event will be held on Tuesday, July 21 from 5:30-7:30pm at Harmony House – 66 View St., Chicopee. For more info or to learn about the Harmony House mission, please visit their website: www.harmonyhousewma.org.

GROWING IN FAITH

WORD SEARCH

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Previous Hidden Message:

**WHOEVER HAS EARS OUGHT
TO HEAR.**