

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Join us for Holy Mass



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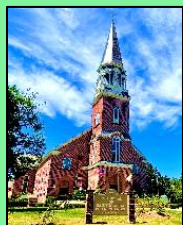
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- Jacob Broer, Cathedral Organist and Lead Sacristan
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- Julian Flores, Maintenance
- Michael Jones, Chair, Finance Council
- Paul E. Evans, Jr., Adult Altar Server
- Wanda Castellano, Administrative 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 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.

AUGUST 1-9, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

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.	
Monday	August 3	12:10 p.m.	
Tuesday	August 4	12:10 p.m.	
Wednesday	August 5	12:10 p.m.	
Thursday	August 6	12:10 p.m.	†Margo Martínez
Friday	August 7	12:10 p.m.	†Marilyn Stearns
Saturday	August 8	4:00 p.m.	†Susan Ferranti
Sunday	August 9	8:30 a.m.	†Yolanda Daley
Sunday	August 9	10:00 a.m.	†Dan LaMontagne and †Ronald LaMontagne
Domingo	9 de Agosto	11:45 a.m.	†Marta Sánchez
Sunday	August 9	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.

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Readings for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, The Gospel According to Matthew,

Matthew 13:44-52, bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/080126.cfm

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

JULY 25-26, 2026, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Masses (\$3,057.00); Fuel (\$68.00)

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:

On August 6th the church celebrates the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. We recall the revelation of Jesus as the Christ at the top of Mount Tabor, where his closest disciples have the experience of Christ's glory. It comes at a time when Jesus begins to prepare them for the challenges and suffering that await him – and them. So, it's during this time that Jesus is calling his disciples to embrace a new aspect of their journey with him. The Transfiguration comes during a period of crisis. Israel was coming to understand the divine promise that even as the rulers of the world vie for passing power, God is ultimately the one who reigns. The disciples are learning that lesson as well. There are times we can feel overwhelmed in our lives by challenges, circumstances, or just the noise of it all. We need to learn to step aside from it for a time. If we let ourselves take some time to get away and pray or to silence the noise in our lives, even if only for a few hours – even for a few minutes! – while we may not have a vision of Jesus in his glory in front of us, we nevertheless experience the power of God's transfiguring power in our own lives. The quiet can open us up to God's voice in our own hearts, reminding us we are loved, that our lives matter, and that God holds the world – and our lives – together. During these summer days, maybe you are feeling the gentle nudge of God to begin this practice for a few minutes each day, or to step away from your normal routine. Even if you can't go to a mountain or far away, make some time to visit a local park, or carve out a phone free / computer free day or part of a day. This can be hard at first; many of us are not accustomed to dealing with silence or with the thoughts that come up when we try to be silent. But allowing yourself to experience those thoughts, and that little bit of uneasiness – It can help begin a new spiritual practice. The God who loves us and wants us to share in that love at the mountaintops of our lives also calls us to live out that love in the valleys we experience. The celebration of the Eucharist can be a common spiritual mountain top moment of transfiguration for all of us, as we hear God's Word spoken and participate in Christ's love for us in Holy Communion. We need to remember that each day is part of God's grace transforming and transfiguring us together to reflect the divine glory.



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/>.

Polish Day at The National Shrine of The Divine Mercy

Join us for Polish Day at the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA, on Saturday, September 12, 2026! The celebration begins at 1:00 p.m. with Adoration, the Rosary in Polish, and Confessions, followed by a bi-lingual Holy Mass at 2:00 p.m. (please note: this Mass does not fulfill the Sunday obligation). After Mass, participate in the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Blessing of Religious Articles, and the Way of the Cross, all in Polish. All events will be held at the Mother of Mercy Outdoor Shrine.

Buses and groups of 15 or more must register in advance at <https://www.shrineofdivinemeracy.org/>.

For questions, contact Pilgrims@Marian.org or call (413) 298-1119.

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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.



Pickleball Tournament - A charity Pickleball Tournament benefiting Chesterton Academy of the Divine Mercy will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at 46 Round Hill Road, Northampton, MA. Enjoy a morning of pickleball, food, and fun while supporting a great cause! For more information, visit chestertondivinemercy.org.

Polka Picnic - The beloved Polka Picnic tradition returns on Sunday, August 23rd, at the Polanka Grounds on Mill Street in Adams. Gates open at noon, with the Eddie Foreman Orchestra performing favorite polka and dance tunes from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Ryan Pause will provide musical entertainment during the intermissions. A variety of traditional Polish foods will be available for purchase. The Adams Lions Club will offer cookout favorites, and a selection of homemade baked goods and treats will also be available. Free activities will be provided for children. Admission is \$5.00 for adults, and children age 12 and under are admitted free. Parking is available on the grounds and along nearby streets. We look forward to seeing you for an afternoon of music, food, and fun!

Car Show - St. Francis of Assisi Church will hold their Car Show at the parish (24 Jabish Street, Belchertown) on Saturday, September 12 from 9am-1pm (Rain date is September 13 from 12-3pm). The participant entry fee is \$20, and all makes and models are welcome. Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 vehicles. There is no entry fee for spectators, and there will be a 50/50 and raffles, and music by Bruce Marshall, the Valley's Classic Hits. Food and beverage is available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the St. Francis Building Fund.

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