

Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Join us for Holy Sacrifice of the Mass



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- 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 29-SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

Saturday	August 29	4:00 p.m.	Blessings for Jack LaRussa
Sunday	August 30	8:30 a.m.	Blessings for Emily Yunker
Sunday	August 30	10:00 a.m.	†Christopher Sullivan
Domingo	30 de Agosto	11:45 a.m.	†Sonia del Valle
Sunday	August 30	4:00 p.m.	Blessings for Ronald and Therese LaRussa
Monday	August 31	12:10 p.m.	Blessings for Nicholas and Katelyn LaRussa
Tuesday	September 1	12:10 p.m.	Health and Healing for Pete
Wednesday	September 2	12:10 p.m.	Health and Healing for Pat Ficarra
Thursday	September 3	12:10 p.m.	Health and Healing for Sr. Peggy Moore, osu
Friday	September 4	7:30 a.m.	First Friday Mass
Friday	September 4	12:10 p.m.	Health and Healing for Barbara
Saturday	September 5	4:00 p.m.	†James Hartford
Sunday	September 6	8:30 a.m.	Blessings for Religious Ed Students and Teachers
Sunday	September 6	10:00 a.m.	†Jack Hague
Domingo	6 de Septiembre	11:45 a.m.	†María del Carmen Rodríguez
			†Jan Carlos Acosta
Sunday	September 6	4:00 p.m.	†Ricardo Oyola (2 nd Ann.)

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

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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.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Readings for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, The Gospel According to Matthew, **Matthew 16:21-27**, bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/083026.cfm



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

AUGUST 22-23, 2026, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Masses (\$2,531.00); Fuel (\$71.00)

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:

September 5th marks the 29th anniversary of the death of St. Teresa of Calcutta. Born in 1910, Mother Teresa joined the Sisters of Loreto at age 18 and dedicated her life to serving the poor. Her humble ministry in the slums of India soon expanded across the world through her order of the Missionaries of Charity. In recognition of her compassion, Mother Teresa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979, and she continued working with the underprivileged until her passing in 1997. Today, I invite you to be inspired by the wisdom of St Mother Teresa with these quotes.

“In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love.”

“It is not the magnitude of our actions but the amount of love that is put into them that matters.”

“It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us... Bring love into your home, for this is where our love for each other must start.”

“We will be the happiest people in the world if we belong to God, if we place ourselves at His disposal, if we let Him use us as He pleases.”

“Give your heart to God, deliberately, knowingly, willingly. It belongs to Him.”

“Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.”

“If you were to die today, what would others say about you? What was in you that was beautiful, that was Christlike, that helped others to pray better? Face yourself, with Jesus at your side, and do not be satisfied with just any answer.”

“If you do your work with joy, you can bring many souls to God. Joy is prayer, a sign of our generosity, evident in our eyes, our faces, our actions.”

“Every human being has a longing for God. Christians go one step further—not only do we long for God but we have the treasure of His presence always with us.”

“There is always the danger that we may just do the work for the sake of the work. This is where the respect and the love and the devotion come in – that we do it to God, to Christ, and that’s why we try to do it as beautifully as possible.”

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.

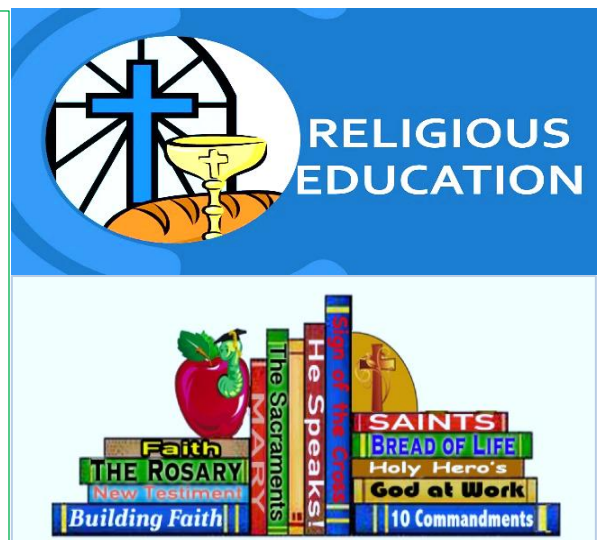
All students must be registered before SEPTEMBER 13th.

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.

UPCOMING REGISTRATION DATE:

September 6th



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Prayer Shawl Ministry starts on Wednesday, September 2 2026 at 1pm in the rectory parlor. It will meet every first Wednesday of the month. Knitters and crocheters of any ability are welcome. We do have some yarn and accessories for those who might want to try but not sure enough to purchase supplies. Prayer shawls will be distributed to those who need comfort. Please join us. Contact the parish office to register.

Daytime Reflective Bible Study starts Wednesday, September, 9th in the Holy Spirit chapel of the Bishop Marshall Center at 1pm. This year is the study of **Genesis**. We meet every Wednesday **except** for the first Wednesday of the month usually in the Bishop Marshall Center from 1-2:30pm. Limit is 12 participants. It is in English. The New American Bible revised edition is preferred but others can be used. Please contact the Parish Office to register. For more information, please contact Mary Jeanne Tash, Bible group leader.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR: Sponsored by the SS. Peter and Paul Rosary Sodality of Divine Mercy Parish in Three Rivers. Craft fair will be held in the Parish Center on Main St. in Three Rivers on Saturday, November 14th from 9am to 2pm. Free Parking and Admission. Beautiful craft items by talented local artists. Refreshment available for purchase. Come for lunch!

EVENING OF REFLECTION: CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: On Tuesday, September 22nd at 6pm at Blessed Sacrament Church in Holyoke, Fr. James McCurry, OFM. Conv. will be giving a reflection entitled: "The Example of St. Francis for our Christian Life." All are welcome to attend.

In an effort to avoid unnecessary concerns by our auditors, please mail your contributions for either the *Annual Catholic Appeal* or the *Beacon of Faith Capital Campaign* to their respective mailing addresses:

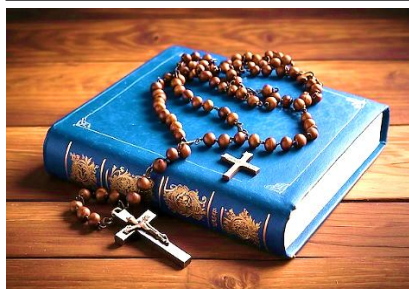
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Please do not place your envelope in the weekly collection basket. Your personal check should be made payable to either the Diocese of Springfield / Annual Catholic Appeal or to the Diocese of Springfield / Beacon of Faith. Please note our parish name in the memo line of the check. If you have any questions, please call the parish (413) 781-3656. Thank you.



Our Catholic Faith: Test Your Knowledge

How many books are there in the Catholic Bible?
Which apostle received the "keys of the kingdom"?
Who said, "I am the Immaculate Conception" at Lourdes?
Who is called the "New Eve" in Catholic tradition?
Which prayer did Jesus teach His disciples?
Which are the seven (7) deadly sins?



Our Catholic Faith: Test Your Knowledge

(These are the ANSWERS to Last Week's Questions.)

What is the central act of worship in the Catholic Church? The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
What do Catholics receive during the Sacrament of the Eucharist?
The Real Presence of Jesus Christ (Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity).
How many sacraments are there in the Catholic Church? Seven (7).
What prayer is said on each bead of a rosary's decade? The Hail Mary.
Who is the first pope of the Catholic Church? St. Peter (Simon Peter). Reference last week's Gospel reading, Matthew 16:18-19, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."
What is the term for the belief that Mary was taken into heaven body and soul?
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
What color is typically worn by priests during Ordinary Time? Green

