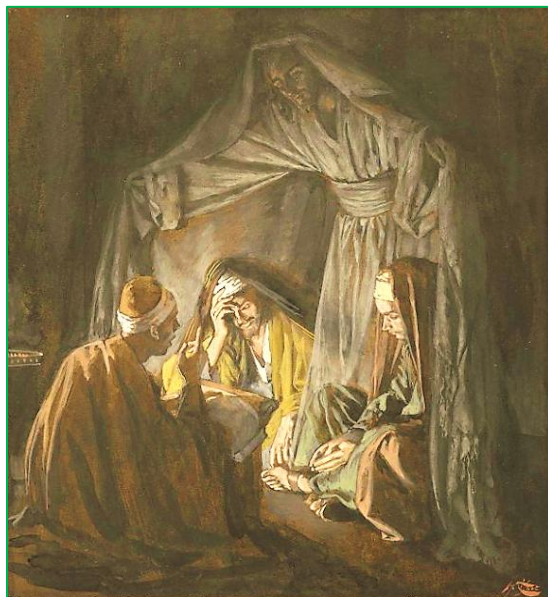


Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Join us for Holy Sacrifice of the 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 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,

SEPTEMBER 5-13, 2026



MASS INTENTION / MASS OR SERVICE

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	September 6	11:45 a.m.	†María del Carmen Rodríguez
			†Jan Carlos Acosta
Sunday	September 6	4:00 p.m.	†Ricardo Oyola (2 nd Ann.)
Monday	September 7	12:10 p.m.	†Adelia Dailey
Tuesday	September 8	12:10 p.m.	†Dr. Dominic DeMello and †Celine DeMello
Wednesday	September 9	12:10 p.m.	†Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Garde
Thursday	September 10	10:00 a.m.	Pro-Life Vigil / Vigil for the Unborn
Thursday	September 10	12:10 p.m.	Health for Liz and Family
Friday	September 11	12:10 p.m.	Blessings for Jack LaRussa
Saturday	September 12	4:00 p.m.	†Fr. Bill Reilly, †Fr. Adrian Benoit, and †Fr. Vernon Decoteau
Sunday	September 13	8:30 a.m.	Blessings for Emily Yunker
Sunday	September 13	10:00 a.m.	Blessings for Ronald and Therese LaRussa
Domingo	September 13	11:45 a.m.	†Antonio y Susana Meletiche Pérez †Marcelo y Osvalda Pérez García
Sunday	September 13	4:00 p.m.	†Al, Theresa, Loretta, John, Bertha, and Walter

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Readings for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, The Gospel According to Matthew, **Matthew 18:15-20**, bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090626.cfm

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

AUGUST 29-30, 2026, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Masses (\$3,037.00); Fuel (\$205.00)

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.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK:

For us Catholics, Labor Day is more than just a day off—it's a moment to pause and reflect on something deeper: the dignity of work and the God-given value of every worker. The Catholic Church teaches that work is more than just a way to earn a paycheck. It's a participation in God's creative plan. Remember—God Himself worked. He created the world in six days and rested on the seventh. Jesus, too, worked as a carpenter before beginning His public ministry. Work becomes sacred when it is done with love and integrity. As Pope St. John Paul II wrote in *Laborem Exercens*: ***“Work is a good thing for man... not only because it is useful, but because it expresses and increases his dignity.”*** Our faith has a rich tradition of supporting workers and their rights. As Catholics, we believe that work is not just about making a living—it's a way to serve. Whether you're caring for children, managing a household, filing papers, studying, or building homes, your work has meaning when it's done with love. St. Paul reminds us: “Whatever you do, do it from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others.” (Colossians 3:23) Even small, unnoticed tasks are important—because they matter to God. Working with purpose doesn't always mean changing careers—it means inviting Christ into what you're already doing. When you do this, even the ordinary becomes holy.

Prayer for Those Seeking Employment

Heavenly Father, You are the provider of all that is good. I come before You today, asking for the opportunity to work. Open the right doors, bring the right people into my path, and guide me with patience and hope in the waiting. Strengthen my faith and provide for my needs as I search. Help me remember that my worth is not in what I do, but in who I am—Your beloved child. St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us. Amen

Prayer to St. Joseph the Worker

St. Joseph, model of workers, help me to work with patience, diligence, and humility. Pray for those without jobs and those treated unjustly in the workplace. May we all find dignity in our labor and joy in our calling. Amen

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11: This Friday marks a significant anniversary and memory in the lives of many Americans – the tragic events of September 11, 2001. It's hard to believe that 25 years have passed since the event that changed the course and thinking and living as a free nation. It has affected the lives so many, both living and deceased. Here in the City of Springfield, we will be commemorating that day with a Remembrance Ceremony a Riverfront Park (rain or shine). It will begin with a Prelude at 5pm and the ceremony will commence at 6pm. Mayor Sarno, Fire Commissioner Miguel Rivera, Police Superintendent Lawrence Akers, along with the Springfield's September 11th committee, Springfield Park Commission and the Spirit of Springfield invite you to join in this solemn event. The Riverfront contains an artifact from the World Trade Center on that awful day. Behind that charred and twisted piece of metal stands a giant curved bronze wall that holds the names of the 498 first responders who lost their lives in New York City, Stonycreek Township in Pennsylvania, and at the Pentagon. This piece of metal from the World Trade Center was donated to the City of Springfield by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. Come and join our First Responders in remembering all those who lost their lives and for the families and friends that grieve their loss.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA): If there is anyone interested or someone you know who is interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, please let us know because we will be starting the OCIA classes at the beginning of October. Anyone in need of baptism or anyone who is a member of another Christian Church are welcome to join us for instruction. If there are any adults who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, please contact us as well. You may call the rectory at (413) 781-3656 or email us at stmichaelscathedral@diospringfield.org.



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Daytime Reflective Bible Study: This bible study starts Wednesday, September, 9th either in the Holy Spirit Chapel or the Bishop Marshall Center at 1:00 p.m. 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. Limited to 12 participants. It is in English. The New American Bible revised edition is preferred but other Catholic versions may be used. Please contact the parish office to register (413) 781-3656. For more information, please contact Mary Jeanne Tash, Bible Group Leader.

New Photos: The Bishop Marshall Center Cloister Gallery has new photos by Mary Jeanne Tash up this week which encompass the summer months. Stop by and see fellow parishioners and clergy in action.

Real to Reel Fall Time Slot: As of Sunday, August 23rd, Real to Reel has aired at 6:30 a.m. on Sundays on WWLP-TV 22. It will continue to air at this special time through the college football season. Real to Reel will resume the regular Saturday evening 7:00 p.m. time slot on December 5. The program is always available on YouTube through a link at www.iobserve.org.

Everlasting

2026 Diocesan Women's Day of Reflection

The Office of Missionary Discipleship invites women from Western Mass and beyond (ages 18+) to join us for the 2026 Diocesan Women's Day on Saturday, October 3, from 9am to 2pm at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Springfield, MA. The Day themed "**Everlasting**" will celebrate 800 years of St. Francis of Assisi, with talks by Sister John Mary Sullivan, FSE, LMFT and St. Stanislaus Basilica Rector Fr. Brad Milunski, OFM Conv. The day, which costs \$25, will include Mass with Bishop William Byrne, Adoration, Confession, a hot lunch buffet, vendors and much more. To register, find a paper registration form at your local parish or the diocesan offices downtown during business hours or go <https://westernmasscatholic.org/womensday/>.



Our Catholic Faith: Test Your Knowledge

Which are the seven (7) Sacraments of the Catholic Church?

____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, and ____.

Who is the Incarnation? _____.

Who is the Immaculate Conception? _____.

We believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the ____ ____.

Which prayer did Jesus teach His disciples? _____.

The dignity of man rests above all on the fact that he is called to communion with ____.



Our Catholic Faith: Test Your Knowledge

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

How many books are there in the Catholic Bible? 73: 46 Old Testament and 27 New Testament.

Which apostle received the "keys of the kingdom"? St. Peter (Simon Peter).

Who said, "I am the Immaculate Conception" at Lourdes? The Blessed Virgin Mary.

Who is called the "New Eve" in Catholic tradition? The Blessed Virgin Mary.

Which prayer did Jesus teach His disciples? The Our Father.

Which are the seven (7) deadly sins? Pride, greed, envy, wrath, lust, gluttony, and sloth.