

Church of the Holy Ghost

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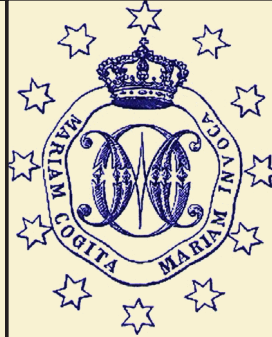
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OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. (Office is closed on Fridays.)
Office is closed for lunch 12:30-1:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays.

Social Ministry

Come and be a part of our service to the homeless, including our Monday-Saturday sandwich line. Interested? Call 303-297-3441. Come during 9:00-11:00am and 2:00-4:00pm, Monday-Friday, to receive services for an ID or a birth certificate.

Monthly Devotions

First Friday of the month:

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus after both Masses
6:30pm Holy Hour of Eucharistic and Vocational Revival

First Saturday of the month:

Mass 8:00am, Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary follow.



They took Jeremiah
and threw him into the cistern of Prince Malchiah,
which was in the quarters of the guard,
letting him down with ropes.
There was no water in the cistern, only mud,
and Jeremiah sank into the mud. ~ Jeremiah 38:6

MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Saturday Masses

8:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday Masses

7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.,
10:00 a.m. (Latin), 12:00 noon, 5:10 p.m.

Confession Times

Monday-Thursday 12-1pm

Friday 12-3pm

Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses: confessions
start 30 minutes before Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

M-F 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and noon to 3:00 p.m.

Sign up at www.adorationpro.org/holyghostdenver

Contact email: adoration@holyghostchurch.org

Baptism

Takes place on the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month.
Baptismal Classes 1st Saturday of the month at 9:45am.
To register, please contact the parish office.

Adults: Baptism, Confirmation or First Communion

OCIA - Summer schedule Tuesdays 7-9pm, Fr. Jonathon

Marriage

Arrangements for weddings are made at least 9 months in advance. Contact Athena, weddings@holyghostchurch.org or (303) 292-1556x1025.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call our office or after hours pager 303-240-0297.

Safe Environment: Protecting Children and At-Risk Adults

Parish Coordinator: Robert Pablo, x1013
Archdiocese of Denver: <https://archden.org/protection/>

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Tension and Vulnerability

One piece of advice we got during formation (in seminary) was “lean into the resistance.” The phrase was passed on from another sage spiritual director. The idea was, when something makes us uncomfortable in prayer or in our reflection on our life, don’t just run away from it, try to squash it, or amputate what is uncomfortable. Stay there, and get curious! What is God trying to point out through those feelings?

In confession, we find ourselves here. In grief, we find ourselves here. So also in facing a hard diagnosis or harsh words from someone close. In marriage prep, when we review recent disagreements or “fights,” we have to sit with hard feelings and stay in the game in order to find the paths of healing and reconciliation.

If we are tempted to say, “I’m only human,” we might be mistaken. Surely, we are human. Most of the time, that’s our defense: “Nobody’s perfect.” On the contrary, to be human is to be made in the image and likeness of God and called to the perfection of our heavenly Father! The imperfection of the present is only the opportunity to receive God’s grace more and step into it! It is because of our dignity and the character of baptism that identifies us as children of God that we can be forgiven, and, furthermore, that we are called to the heights of holiness and perfection by God’s own grace.

Our confidence that we are children of God is precisely what overcomes the dangerous aspect of vulnerability. In this confidence, we allow ourselves to feel what is painful, trusting that we will not suffer the serious injury we would be open to, but rather be healed by having opened up that place of hurt or tension to the One who knows us best and made us for Himself out of love.

May Mary, our mother exalted to the heights of heaven, accompany us and reassure us, that we might be healed and flourish in the glorious freedom of the children of God!

--Fr. Paul M. Nguyen, OMV

Request Masses

Consider having a Mass celebrated for any family member(s), living or deceased, or any other person or group of people who needs our prayers.

You may stop by the parish office Monday -Thursday 9-5 or mail or email your requests to the office. The standard Mass offering is \$10, but it is entirely up to you whether to offer any amount at the time you make your request.

LIVING OUR FAITH

Financial Blessing

Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget **\$15,600**

August 10, 2025	Actual Collection	\$11,066
August 10, 2025	Weekly Online Giving	\$4,333
August 10, 2025	Offertory Surplus/Deficit	- \$201
August 10, 2025	avg per-person donation	\$16.21

Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget **\$2,300**

August 10, 2025	Actual Donations	\$1,318
August 10, 2025	Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$874
August 10, 2025	Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	- \$108
August 10, 2025	avg per-person donation	\$2.31

Online Giving Portal <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZFJ1/home>

Catechesis Corner - The Weeping Prophet

After several years of preaching, Jeremiah’s family turned against him and even plotted to kill him. Over the years, he was whipped, put in the stocks, attacked by a mob, threatened by the king, and ridiculed. Some of Zedekiah’s princes had Jeremiah arrested, beaten, accused of treason, and thrown in jail, from whence he was then thrown in a deep empty well (Jeremiah 38:1-6). He lived through the siege of Jerusalem along with the rest and was there as the people were taken away as captives.



BAPTISMS

Rowan Williams

on August 10 by Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV

Miles Bourjaily

on August 10 by Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV

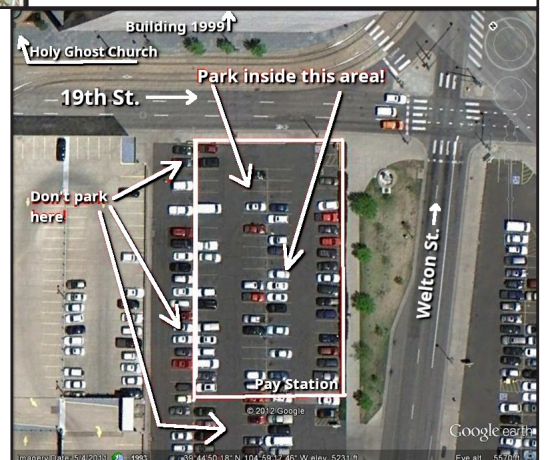
Welcome into the Church!

Support Floral Arrangements on the High Altar

We invite donations to support floral arrangements on the high altar (on either side of the tabernacle), and we will publish your prayer intentions in the bulletin for the week you sponsor them. The suggested donation is \$50 per side. Please inquire about availability in the parish office.



Week of August 17– August 23
The Ray Garcia Family



IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INSTRUCTIONS HOLY GHOST CHURCH

Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions
Location: 19th & Welton (“Lighthouse Lot”)

DO NOT PARK IN ANY SPOTS MARKED MONTHLY PARKING!

Go to the Kiosk

1. Touch any key on the key pad.
2. Enter exact license plate number and letters. Press OK
3. Select Option—Choose appropriate # for **Holy Ghost**—Press OK
4. Obtain coupon code from the parish office.
5. A dash tag may not print. Verify the expiration time on screen.

You may wish to take a picture of the screen in case of dispute.

MASS
INTENTION
BOOK

HOLY GHOST NEWS



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 16

4:00 pm The Sandoval Family

Sunday, August 17

7:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

8:30 am John and Peggy Pundt

10:00 am †Pierre Ruiz

Noon The Raleigh Family

5:10 pm †Yolanda LaRusso

Monday, August 18

7:00 am Courtney Walsh

11:30 am †Jim Irish

Tuesday, August 19

7:00 am Karen Goldburg

11:30 am †Nancy Griesinger

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 am Daniel Zelen

11:30 am †Susan Aedo

Thursday, August 21

7:00 am John Goldburg

11:30 am †Genevieve Carey

Friday, August 22

7:00 am Alicia Strasheim and Family

11:30 am Vicki Mullen

Saturday, August 23

8:00 am †Frank Hebert

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Booking Events and Banquets

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Prayer Corner for the sick and those most in need of our prayers.

Please call the parish office to have the name placed on the list.

Joseph Brookman, Federico Casillas, Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, John Sr., John Jr., Nadine Karius, Loretta, Connie Magers, Mary Marshall, Kenneth Miller and family, Nancy Mowers, Jessi O'Brien, Ben Otten, Dr. Linda Reschl, Larry Rivera, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Dennis Daryl Shamblin, Shannon, Trini Zamudio

PRAY FOR ALL OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

LTJG Patrick D. Mahoney, Jr., US Navy	Richard Dottenwhy, E7 Army
Benjamin Jacob Lucero, US Navy	Tim Harper Vedra, USAF
M SGT D.J. Hagberg, Air Force	Maj. Sean Dzierzanowski, USMC
LTJG Gemma Nowak, US Navy	ENS Rebecca Nowak, MC, USNR
MIDN Vincent Nowak, USNR	Taylor Donohue, US Navy
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HOLY GHOST NEWS

We are in NEED of 2 teachers for RE/Sacrament Prep classes - which will be on Sunday's 9:45-11:15 am starting in September through May 3rd.
Contact Dan Aedo, DRE at Sacristan@holyghostchurch.org
Training and Teacher Guide will be provided.
Safe Environment Training / Background Check will be required.

Teen Service Project Calling all teens to participate in a Saturday service project! On August 23 join us for 8am Mass, then stay after to prepare lunch for the needy and serve on our sandwich line. Contact the parish office to be added to the mailing list for this group.

VOLUNTEER
Teen Service Project



**Happy Hour & Mixer
for Newlywed and Engaged Couples**
August 30 from 4pm Mass until 7pm

Engaged couples and newlyweds
from 2020-2025...

Join us for our regular vigil Mass and stay after to meet other couples in our parish and enjoy food and activities up in the classy Broadway Club, 32nd Floor Suite in the tower right behind us, 1999 Broadway. RSVP encouraged.

Arrive in church by 5:15pm to go upstairs as a group.
<https://forms.office.com/r/NVskyySFnh>

LIFE AROUND THE WORLD
Dinner and Auction October 4th at 5:00pm

Experience the tastes and traditions of the world - all in one evening.

Bring your family and friends to enjoy authentic homemade food (made by your fellow parishioners) and a powerful pro-life speaker, Sr. Mary Grace from the Sisters of Life.

Learn how you can support the Holy Ghost Respect Life Ministry and get involved in future pro-life volunteer opportunities in our parish and community.

Single ticket: \$20
Family: \$40

**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

Registration is open for Religious Education of children seeking Confirmation and First Communion, as well as older children not yet baptized. holyghostchurch.org/sacraments

HYGA Holy Ghost Young Adults
Thursdays 7-9 pm *Holy Ghost parish hall*



A community where Catholic young adults (ages 21-35) can share their faith and encourage each other to grow in charity and holiness.

August 21 The Life and Wisdom of Venerable Bruno Lanteri
Led by Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV

August 28 Gathering at the Grotto – Humanity and Technology
Meet at Our Lady of Lourdes at 6:30pm for dinner and a talk

For more information or to join our mailing list, please contact hyga.ministry@gmail.com or scan the QR code above for GroupMe.



Summer Mission Appeal

This weekend's second collection will be for the Congregation of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary of Bui Chu (Vietnam). Sister Mary-Don Bosco Dung Thi Dang, FMSR, will be speaking. The congregation is based in the northern part of Vietnam, dedicated to meaningful ministries including providing education for children, engaging in social charity work, and supporting low-income and underserved communities, in addition to teaching, organizing activities and offering support to both children and adults in various parishes. A portion of your donations will be used to provide these Sisters with educational training, helping them serve the less fortunate with love and dedication. Thank you.

Volunteers Now for the Life Around the World Dinner Oct 4th

Hosting a Table - Bring dishes from your culture to share with parishioners and decorate your table!

Silent/Live Volunteer - 2 volunteers to assist Auction Chair during the event

Door Volunteer - Sell and collect tickets during the event

Ticket Agent - Sell tickets before and after mass
August 24th, 31st, September 7th, 14th

Entertainment - Donate games/activities and your time for kids during guest speaker

Clean Up

We need you! Please contact Carla Diaz at 303-828-7563 or hgrespectlife@gmail.com.



Ongoing Activities and Groups

Contact the Parish Office to connect!

Mondays (not 1st Monday of the month) 7:15-9pm: Fully Alive, Men's Group

Tuesdays at 7pm: Adult Faith Formation and OCIA

Wednesdays 6-8pm: Women After Mary's Heart of Mercy

Thursdays at 7pm: Holy Ghost Young Adults

One Saturday/month: Holy Ghost Youth Ministry (Teens)



COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Our Lady Seat of Wisdom, A Chesterton Academy's New Home:** OLSW's new address is 52nd and Pecos (the former Guardian Angels school). Accepting applications for freshmen and sophomores. Affordable tuition \$8,500. Onsite Mass, confession and adoration. Student uniforms, no personal technology, gated parking with front reception ensuring the security of students, serving North and West Denver metro. Visit olswdenver.org or contact info@olswdenver.org. (720) 446-6188.
- Hope & Healing After Abortions Rachel's Vineyard Retreat:** August 22-24 Call Lori (303) 904-7414 (no texts please). Email Lori@rvrcolorado.org or visit: rvrcolorado.org to learn more about a confidential Colorado Catholic Retreat in Evergreen.
- undone Freedom for the Feminine Heart:** September 25-27 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 12735 W. 58th Ave., Arvada. In-person or livestream. Scholarships, student and missionary discounts available. JPIIHEALINGCENTER.ORG
- Jubilee 2025 Denver Marian Conference:** October 3-4 at the Colorado Convention Center, 700-14th Street www.DenverMarianConference.com.
- Restored, "He Restores My Soul" Psalm 23:3, 9th Annual Catholic Women's Conference of Denver:** October 11 at Legacy Campus 10035 S. Peoria St., Lone Tree, CO Mass | Adoration | Confession | Shopping Tickets: \$85, lunch included. denvercatholicconference.com