



Church of the Holy Ghost

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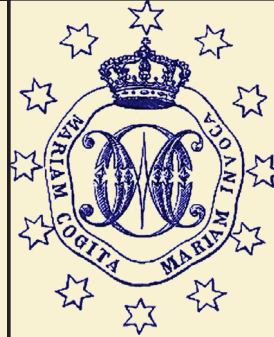
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OFFICE HOURS

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.

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/>



"Lord, will only a few people be saved?"
He answered them,
"Strive to enter through the narrow gate,
for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter
but will not be strong enough."
~ Luke 13:23-24

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Christian Friendship and Community

Today we are facing an *epidemic of loneliness*: a painful paradox of being hyperconnected (through social media) and yet disconnected (in real life). This is most pronounced in Generation Z: Young people report experiencing loneliness and social isolation more than any other demographic. Part of this is due to the COVID-19 shutdowns, part of it is the internet, but it is all a major problem for the youngest generation.

Human beings are inherently social. We need *friends* to survive and thrive. And as Catholics, we need not just any friends, but *Christian friends*, friends who will support us on our journey to Christ. I often hear from people who have a real desire to live out their Catholic faith and be good Christians, but who are constantly brought down by their friends. Rather than surrounding themselves with good Catholic friends who will encourage them in the spiritual life, they are surrounded by people who continually lead them into sin, temptation, and vice. Such a person stands little chance against the mounting pressure from the world and the flesh.

Christian friendship is a valuable remedy against social isolation and sinful friendships, and is one part of our faith that is often neglected. Jesus did not come just to establish a personal relationship with each of us as individuals, he came to establish a Church, a community of believers united in mind and heart. Jesus recognized our human need for friendship and community, and he chooses to save us through those.

Here at Holy Ghost, we offer a variety of groups which aim to provide a much-needed sense of community and Christian friendship. There is a men's group, Fully Alive; a women's group, Women After Mary's Heart of Mercy; and a young adults group, which we are renaming Amicizia Cristiana (Christian Friendship). If you feel socially isolated, or don't have good Christian/Catholic friends, or feel a need for belonging in a community, don't sit out. Come find us. Get involved. Come and join a community where you can belong, and find Christian friends who will support you on your way to heaven.

--Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV

"May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all." **Thessalonians 3:12**



LIVING OUR FAITH

Financial Blessing

Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget

\$15,600

August 17, 2025	Actual Collection	\$14,657
August 17, 2025	Weekly Online Giving	\$3,607
August 17, 2025	Offertory Surplus/Deficit	\$2,664
August 17, 2025	avg per-person donation	\$19.22

Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget

\$2,300

August 17, 2025	Actual Donations	\$1,184
August 17, 2025	Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$593
August 17, 2025	Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	-\$523
August 17, 2025	avg per-person donation	\$1.82

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

Catechesis Corner--In numerous places in the Bible, the Lord God is referred to as the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (e.g., Genesis 50:24, Exodus 3:15, Acts 7:32 and in today's Gospel). This name emphasizes the covenant that God made with Israel and the Israelites' special place as God's Chosen People.

The Abrahamic Covenant



God repeated the Abrahamic Covenant to three different generations: Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were all given the promise of land, many descendants, and blessing. The Lord first calls Abram out of Ur of the Chaldees to the land of Canaan, establishing a covenant with him (Genesis 12:1-3). God reaffirms the same covenant with Abraham's son, Isaac (Genesis 21:12; 26:3-4), and later with Isaac's son, Jacob (Genesis 28:14-15). The Lord who established and ratified this covenant is rightly called the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

When God revealed Himself to Moses in preparation for bringing His people out of Egypt, He called Himself "the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob" in Exodus 3:15. He also instructed Moses to identify the Lord by that name when speaking to the Israelites (verse 16).

BAPTISMS

Wyatt Gore

on August 17 by Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV

Daniel Camacho

on August 17 by Fr. Paul Nguyen, 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 24-August 30

The Randol Family by Heather Van Benthem

IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INSTRUCTIONS HOLY GHOST CHURCH

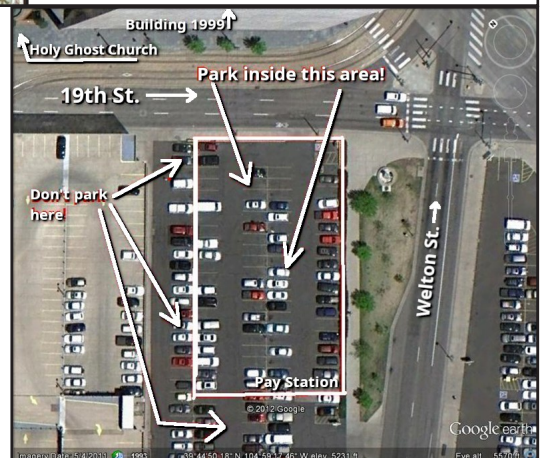
Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions
Location: 19th & Welton ("Lighthouse Lot")

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.



HOLY GHOST NEWS



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 23

4:00 pm The Sandoval Family

Sunday, August 24

7:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

8:30 am †Michael and †Mary Smaldone

10:00 am †Carl Kothe

Noon †Mark Lessner, Jr.

5:10 pm †Robert Gerd, Sr.

Monday, August 25

7:00 am †Betty Fleshman

11:30 am The Pearse Family

Tuesday, August 26

7:00 am †Cheri Ann Gallegos

11:30 am †Marianna Bartosiewicz

Wednesday, August 27

7:00 am Tom O'Brien

11:30 am In Thanksgiving for a Special Intention

Thursday, August 28

7:00 am Diana P. Downard

11:30 am †Gregory Durocher

Friday, August 29

7:00 am Fr. Jonathon Hank

11:30 am †Charlinda Ann Gray

Saturday, August 30

8:00 am †Veronica Brown

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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, Diana Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Mary Marshall, Kenneth Miller and family, Nancy Mowers, Genny Nunn, Jessi O'Brien, Ben Otten, Dr. Linda Reschl, Larry Rivera, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Dennis Daryl Shamblyn, 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
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HOLY GHOST NEWS



**Happy Hour & Mixer
for Newlywed and Engaged Couples**
August 30 from 4pm Mass until 8pm
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>

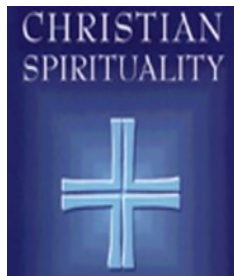
Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Holy Ghost parish hall

Saturdays, 8:30-10am

September 27 – November 15 (8 weeks)

Learn to pray following the great spiritual masters of the Catholic Church!



In this course, we will learn the basics of eight different schools of spirituality: Benedictine, Augustinian, Franciscan, Dominican, Ignatian, Carmelite, Vincentian, and Salesian. Through experiencing a wide range of prayer styles, participants will be able to begin to develop their own personal spirituality and way of prayer.

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

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

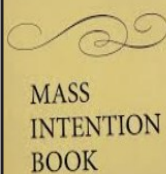


A community where Catholic young adults (ages 21-35) can share their faith and encourage each other to grow in charity and holiness.

This September, Holy Ghost Young Adults will be rebranded as the Amicizia Cristiana (Italian for Christian Friendship). This is an homage to a ministry dear to Venerable Lanteri, the founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, and expresses more clearly the purpose of the young adults group.

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 hgya.ministry@gmail.com or scan the QR code above for GroupMe.



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.

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.
- Chesterton Academy of Our Lady of Victory Admissions Event:** To be held on Friday, September 12. Classical Catholic high school in south Denver. School location: 6495 S. Colorado Blvd., Centennial, CO Call (720) 599-3227 or email office@ourladyofvictorydenver.com.
- 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