

Church of the Holy Ghost

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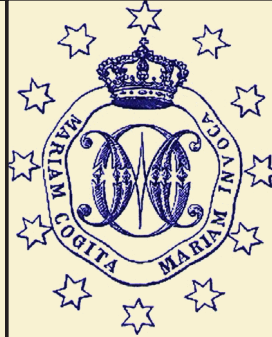
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OFFICE HOURS

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, October 3:

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus after both Masses
6:30pm Holy Hour for Vocations by Vocations Director,
Fr. Paul Kallal, OMV

First Saturday of the month, October 4:

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



Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores." ~ Luke 16:19-21

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, <https://holyghostchurch.org/weddings/>

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	LIVING OUR FAITH																				
<p>Last week, we syndicated Pope Leo XIV, from a recent Wednesday Audience. We encourage you to follow the homilies and speeches of the Holy Father direct from Rome at https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en.html</p> <p>Responsibility</p> <p>This Sunday, we hear in the Gospel about stewardship and charity—applying our material means in service of the needy on our doorstep, with compassion. We do this at Holy Ghost, day in and day out, materially, humanly, and spiritually.</p> <p>It is our responsibility as a Catholic parish to make the mysteries of salvation, the sacraments, available to all of you – those who live in our downtown territory, and those who choose to seek out this place of worship and healing. Fr. Chris before me loved the “field hospital” image of the church, popularized by Pope Francis and utterly true here at Holy Ghost.</p> <p>It is your responsibility, as disciples and as parishioners, to sustain your church. The aforementioned material assistance is only rendered to the needy because of your generosity. The church is only heated or cooled because you enable us to pay those (large) bills. The church is only repaired or maintained because you have donated money or your own skills to make it happen. And we thank you!</p> <p>This Sunday, we publish our annual financial report for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. You will find that we operated at a deficit, and that the coming year looks like we will dip further into our savings in order to continue providing the services you enjoy, in a building that will continue to operate for decades to come. We need your help to avoid depleting our savings, by donating now in offertory gifts, or by remembering the parish in your will (possibly through The Catholic Foundation). If you can get closer to the 10% tithe on your gross income, it helps! We know we may not be your only charity, or that you want to give more than that 10%. Follow the Spirit’s lead!</p> <p>Many of you know that a portion of your donations to Holy Ghost go to the Archdiocese. We need the administrative support services of the Archdiocese that are funded by the cathedraticum (14% of unrestricted gifts), and it funds the Catholic schools your children attend. I reassure you that the Archdiocese of Denver makes good use of those funds, and that a portion of what we exceed in our Archbishop’s Catholic Appeal comes back to us, between \$10-20 thousand each of the past three years.</p> <p>Thank you for your prayerful generosity to sustain our parish! Please reach out to me or a member of the Finance Council if you have further questions, suggestions, services to offer, or encouragement. God bless us all!</p> <p>--Fr. Paul M. Nguyen, OMV</p>	<p><u>Financial Blessing</u></p> <table><tr><td>Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget</td><td>\$23,260</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Actual Collection</td><td>\$8,889</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Weekly Online Giving</td><td>\$4,451</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Offertory Surplus/Deficit</td><td>- \$9,920</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 avg per-person donation</td><td>\$14.04</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget</td><td>\$5,060</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Actual Donations</td><td>\$1,596</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Sandwich Line Online Giving</td><td>\$369</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit</td><td>- \$3,095</td></tr><tr><td>September 21, 2025 avg per-person donation</td><td>\$2.07</td></tr></table> <p>Online Giving Portal https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZFJ1/home</p> <p>Catechesis Corner (from Pope Benedict XVI’s homily of 9-30-2007) The rich man personifies the wicked use of riches by those who spend them on uncontrolled and selfish luxuries, thinking solely of satisfying themselves without caring at all for the beggar at their door. The poor man, on the contrary, represents the person whom God alone cares for: unlike the rich man he has a name: "Lazarus," an abbreviation of "Eleazarus," which means, precisely, "God helps him." The story shows how earthly wickedness is overturned by divine justice: after his death, Lazarus was received "in the bosom of Abraham," that is, into eternal bliss; whereas the rich man ended up "in Hades, in torment."</p> <div><div></div><div><p><i>Weddings</i></p><p><i>Martin Longsdorf and Clare Dalton</i> <i>United in Christ on September 20</i> <i>Celebrants: Frs. Daniel Eusterman and Dominic Bouck</i></p><p><i>Ryan Kemp and Jackie Etson</i> <i>United in Christ on September 20</i> <i>Celebrant: Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV</i></p><p><i>Congratulations!</i></p></div><div></div><div><p>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 September 28 - October 4 Sponsors needed</p></div></div>	Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget	\$23,260	September 21, 2025 Actual Collection	\$8,889	September 21, 2025 Weekly Online Giving	\$4,451	September 21, 2025 Offertory Surplus/Deficit	- \$9,920	September 21, 2025 avg per-person donation	\$14.04	Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget	\$5,060	September 21, 2025 Actual Donations	\$1,596	September 21, 2025 Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$369	September 21, 2025 Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	- \$3,095	September 21, 2025 avg per-person donation	\$2.07
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<div><div></div><div><p><i>Rest in Peace</i></p><p>Arthur Romero Michael Gleason (husband of Renée Gleason) Vera Maynes Patrick Carey (brother of Colette Carey) “May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.”</p></div><div></div></div>	<div><div></div></div>																				
<p>IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INSTRUCTIONS HOLY GHOST CHURCH</p> <p>Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions Location: 19th & Welton (“Lighthouse Lot”)</p> <p>DO NOT PARK IN ANY SPOTS MARKED MONTHLY PARKING!</p> <p>Go to the Kiosk</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Touch any key on the key pad.2. Enter exact license plate number and letters. Press OK3. Select Option—Choose appropriate # for Holy Ghost—Press OK4. Obtain coupon code from the parish office.5. A dash tag may not print. Verify the expiration time on screen. <p><i>You may wish to take a picture of the screen in case of dispute.</i></p>																					

HOLY GHOST NEWS



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 27

4:00 pm Lukas Schroeder

Sunday, September 28

7:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

8:30 am †Irene Bergmans

10:00 am William Knoeber

Noon †Zair Martinez

5:10 pm †Clyde and †Jerry LaRusso

Monday, September 29

7:00 am James Ryan

11:30 am The DeCordorba Family

Tuesday, September 30

7:00 am †Charlie Kirk

11:30 am The Pearse Children

Wednesday, October 1

7:00 am Bill Knoeber

11:30 am †Joe Carelli

Thursday, October 2

7:00 am †Patrick Carey

11:30 am Jason and Christine Pearse

Friday, October 3 (First Friday)

7:00 am †Mike Gleason

11:30 am †Noel Albert Miller

Saturday, October 4 (First Saturday)

8:00 am Niall MacGregor

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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.

Marisa Alvarez, Joseph Brookman, Mary Alice Budd, Federico Casillas, Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, Diane Enslinger, John Sr., John Jr., Nadine Karius, Alice Lucero, Diana Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Patrick Maher, Mary Marshall, Mario Medina, Kenneth Miller and family, Nancy Mowers, Jessi O'Brien, Ben Otten, Dr. Linda Reschl, Larry Rivera, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Patrick Schaefer, Shannon

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
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Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Saturdays, 8:30-10am, September 27–November 15 (8 weeks)
in the Holy Ghost parish hall

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.

Vocations Holy Hour and Social

On Friday, October 3, we will welcome Fr. Paul Kallal, OMV, Vocations Director for the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. Come for the First Friday holy hour for vocations at 6:30pm, then stay afterward for a social and a meet-and-greet with Fr. Paul K and learn more about vocational promotion for the Oblates.



Save the Date

Mass for the Faithful Departed of Holy Ghost
November 1 at 7pm in candlelight

LIFE AROUND THE WORLD

**Dinner and Auction
October 4th at 5:00pm**

Experience the tastes and traditions of the world!
Bring your family and friends to enjoy tasty authentic homemade food (made by your fellow parishioners)!
Many exciting auction items will be available this year.

The live auction will include bidding for "Dinner with a Priest," our pastor, Fr. Paul Nguyen OMV. This unforgettable evening for 10 guests includes Fr. Paul planning the menu and cooking the meal! This is a rare and meaningful opportunity to share a meal, stories, and fellowship in a warm, intimate setting. Let the spirit of hospitality and grace fill your home. Bidding starts at \$500.

"A Day with Fr. Jonathon Hank, OMV: Hike & Spiritual Reflection" will be another live auction event! You choose a mountain hike, leisurely walk through the Botanical Gardens, local park or Barr Lake or a nice lunch, with time for a spiritual talk and reflection woven in, and time for questions, conversation and prayer—in a peaceful setting. Bidding starts at \$300.

This extraordinary event includes powerful pro-life speakers, Sr. Zion Joy and Sr. Magnificat 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

Holy Ghost Amicizia Cristiana

Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm Holy Ghost parish hall

Catholic young adults (21-35)
A joint ministry of Holy Ghost & the Lanteri Center



October 2 God's Love Revealed in Creation
Talk by Fr. Jonathon @ Holy Ghost

October 9 Service Night @ Holy Ghost

October 16 Sacred Heart of Love
Presentation by Kay Davis @ Lanteri Center

October 23 Holy hour with adoration @ Holy Ghost

October 30 Halloween party @ Holy Ghost

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



It's that time of year again to prepare our parish calendar with photos of all of you at our events. Please send any photos you may have taken at Holy Ghost since last Fall to Fr. Paul (you may need to arrange to bring in a flash drive or transfer via the cloud).



Blessing of Pets

**In honor of St. Francis of Assisi
Sunday, October 5th from 1-3pm
In front of church**

Faith & Blue Weekend

On Sunday, October 12, from 9am-1:30pm meet and greet members of law enforcement and fire services to thank them for their service to our community.

First Responders Blue Mass at 12pm - active and retired First Responders are welcome and will be recognized.



SAVE THE DATE

October 22nd, 7 am - 7pm
Holy Ghost vigil with rosary and Mass at 6 pm

The 2025 autumn campaign for 40 Days for Life runs **September 24-November 2** to help protect mothers and children to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Reach out at life@ccdenver.org to learn how you can get involved.

Our sign up to pray is at: <https://bit.ly/4nS4VBh>



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 6:30-8:30pm: Amicizia Cristiana, Young Adults Group

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Night at the Jubilee 2025 Denver Marian Conference:** October 3-4 at the Colorado Convention Center, 700-14th Street www.DenverMarianConference.com.
- Cabrini Celebration:** October 5-6 at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, a Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage Site. Walk the steps to the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue on the mountain top and drink from the spring of water discovered by Mother Cabrini. Details at mothercabrinishrine.org.
- 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