

# Church of the Holy Ghost

MOUR LORD JUSUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 23, 2025 №

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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. Office closed for Thanksgiving.

**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

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

> Monday, December 8 7am, 11:30am, 12:30pm, 5:10pm



Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!



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MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Thanksgiving, November 27, Thursday 9:00 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. Próxima misa en español: 23 de nov a las 2 p.m.

**Confession Times** 

Monday-Thursday 12-1pm

Friday 12-3pm

Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses: confessions

start 30 minutes before Mass

**Advent Extended Confession Hours** 

Monday - Thursday, 12-1 pm

Friday 12-3 and 5-6 pm (December 5, 12, 19)

Sunday Masses: 30 min prior till all confessions are heard

**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 6:30-9pm, Fr. Jonathon

Marriage

Arrangements for weddings are made at least 9 months in advance.

Contact Athena, <a href="https://holyghostchurch.org/weddings/">https://holyghostchurch.org/weddings/</a>

**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: <a href="https://archden.org/protection/">https://archden.org/protection/</a>

# **WEEKLY REFLECTION**

#### Family

"Ohana means family, and family means no one is left behind, or forgotten." From Lilo & Stitch, a movie I never saw, this clip was presented at my Confirmation retreat when I was a teenager, to introduce this retreat theme of the Christian family. It has stuck with me, and I still have not seen the movie.

The theme of family, however, is so central to our Christian identity. We are all children of our heavenly Father, who sent His Son to redeem the world and reveal that their love is the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity.

When we look across the human family, we see signs of unity and harmony alongside signs of division, animosity, and competition. The theme of human family emphasizes that we have been given a basis for loyalty to the dignity of our humanity, sharing the same genetic structure, all bleeding red. We can and ought to "be there for each other," and find the good in the other and encourage it. We can do this across cultural boundaries and countries of origin. We can do this for those who have even forfeited their freedom by crime, supporting their rehabilitation rather than cutting off their last chance to repent via the death penalty.

Family, of husband and wife and their children, including those they may take in by fostering or adoption, is the anchor and building block of our society because God made it so. Extended family are needed for the support that exceeds the capacity of the nuclear family, and to pass on a wider breadth of wisdom and experience to subsequent generations.

In our day, many couples try to run their household on a strictly egalitarian model. While it is necessary that decision-making be shared and the dignity of the spouses upheld, it is still useful and at times necessary, for the man to step up as head of the household. He must be the one who makes the hard decisions, reconciles the members of the family, and sacrifices for the good of all, as Christ did. In this, he reveals an image of Jesus Christ, the eternal King whom we celebrate today. His headship is exercised in love, truth, humility and meekness, in which we all strive to share.

Our God is King and family. In this lies our salvation. In communion with Him, we hope for heaven!

--Fr. Paul M. Nguyen, OMV



#### Rest in Peace

John Martin

(d. 11/8/2025, uncle of Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV)

"May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace."

# LIVING OUR FAITH

#### **Financial Blessing**

Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget		\$23,260
November 16, 2025 A	Actual Collection	\$8,973
November 16, 2025 V	Weekly Online Giving	\$4,459
November 16, 2025 (	Offertory Surplus/Deficit	- \$9,828
November 16, 2025 a	avg per-person donation	\$15.35
Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget		\$5,060
November 16, 2025 A	Actual Donations	\$5,759
November 16, 2025 S	Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$1,766
November 16, 2025 S	Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	\$2,465
November 16, 2025 a	vg per-person donation	\$8.60

#### Catechesis Corner

Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat! In 1925 the world was experiencing a period of great tension. Secularism was advancing, relegating religion to the private sphere and promoting ideologies that denied God's sovereignty, such as communism, fascism and materialism. Pope Pius XI, in instituting the Solemnity of Christ the King, sought to remind the faithful that Christ not only reigns in heaven but also on earth. The Pope proclaimed that Christ's authority is universal, encompassing all nations, cultures and political systems. His reign is not one of oppression, but of justice, peace and love.

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



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 November 23 - November 29 Sponsors needed

#### **Parking Impacts** during Parade of Lights Saturday December 6 in the evening

The Lighthouse Lot will NOT allow us to use our coupon code during the



Parade of Lights evening; only a flat rate will be offered there, and any citations issued will not be disputable except in the case of an error. Please be advised, with several thousand guests downtown for the Parade, traffic surrounding the whole downtown area will be impacted significantly.

# IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INSTRUCTIONS HOLY GHOST CHURCH

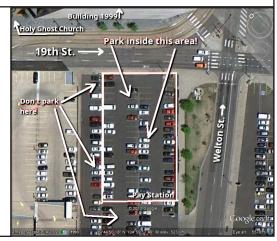
Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions Location: 19th & Welton ("Lighthouse Lot")

# 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.
- 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, November 22

4:00 pm †Theresa Romero

Sunday, November 23

7:00 am In Thanksgiving to God

8:30 am †John Lee Pundt

10:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

†Zair Martinez Noon 2:00 pm †John Martin

†Louis and †Joyce Gerard 5:10 pm

Monday, November 24 Fr. Jim Fox 7:00 am

11:30 am Fr. Chris Hellstrom

Tuesday, November 25

7:00 am George Antonius Veves 11:30 am All Priests and Religious

Wednesday, November 26 7:00 am †Helen Bonfils 11:30 am Doris Ann Brookman

Thursday, November 27

9:00 am The Philip and Marybeth Smaldone Children

Friday, November 28

7:00 am †Mr. and †Mrs. Maximillian LaPoint

The Pearse Family 11:30 am

Saturday, November 29 8:00 am John Pichon

#### Collective Mass Intentions

Beginning in January 2026, the first Sunday noon Mass of each month will be available for a collective intention. This means multiple intentions can be requested for the same Mass, with the knowledge that the Mass will be offered for all of them. This new practice is in accord with a Decree from the Dicastery for the Clergy dated April 13, 2025.

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Commercial Functions and Receptions Parishioner John Cichos 3535 S. Platte Drive A-3, Englewood, CO 80110 303-761-5828, info@strawberriescatering.com

Denver Hall at 16th & Grant **Booking Events and Banquets** Multiple spaces available Kitchen & Bar onsite https://denverhall.org







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.

Mary A., Marisa Alvarez, Sonia Alvarez, Barbara Avrett, Joseph Brookman, Marcia Carey, Federico Casillas, Mariah Cox, Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, Diane Ensminger, Christopher Edward Filardi, Amy Hunt, Nadine Karius, Alice Lucero, Diana Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Irina Manata, Mary Marshall, Kenneth Miller and family, Nancy Mowers, Jessi O'Brien, Tony Pino, Dr. Linda Reschl, Luisito Reséndiz, Larry Rivera, Henry Ruf, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Patrick Schaefer, Shannon, Elvira Unzueta

#### PRAY FOR ALL OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

LTJG Patrick D. Mahoney, Jr., US Navy Richard Dottenwhy, E7 Army Benjamin Jacob Lucero, US Navy M SGT D.J. Hagberg, Air Force LTJG Gemma Nowak, US Navy MIDN Vincent Nowak, USNR Claire Clancy, US Navy Rogelio Tellez, USMC Antonio Castaneda

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# **HOLY GHOST NEWS**



This Saturday, November 29, join us at 9am after the morning rosary to change the hymnals in church to the books for the next year.





The Canto Deo Chamber Choir will be presenting an **Advent Service of Lessons & Carols** on Saturday, November 29, from 7-8pm at Holy Ghost Church.

This contemplative service begins with reflection and a soul-deep question, "Art Thou He that should come to reign over thy people, Israel?" Mixing both old and new texts and melodies, this service encourages us to slow down and listen to God's word and to our own heart's reply.

For more information please visit <a href="www.CantoDeo.org">www.CantoDeo.org</a>.

No tickets are required.

Our annual Christmas Party is just around the corner, and we're looking for joyful hearts and helping hands to make it magical! Whether you love decorating, greeting guests, serving treats, or simply spreading cheer, we'd be so grateful to have you on our volunteer team.



Date: Saturday, December 20 Time: 10:00 am Location: Parish Hall

If you're able to lend a hand, please sign up at <a href="https://forms.gle/qULQAu2UpZKfNpdX9">https://forms.gle/qULQAu2UpZKfNpdX9</a> or call Crystal at 720-515-1395 or <a href="mailto:Crystal@holyghostchurch.org">Crystal@holyghostchurch.org</a> for more information. Let's come together to celebrate the season, share the joy, and make this Christmas unforgettable for everyone!



#### 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

December theme: Sin and Mercy

December 4 Holy hour with adoration @ Holy Ghost

**December 7** (after the noon Mass) Christkindlmarket @ Auraria Campus

**December 11** Advent: Waiting for the Savior Round-table discussion @ Holy Ghost

December 18 Christmas Party @ Holy Ghost

For more information or to join our mailing list, please contact <a href="mailto:hgya.ministry@gmail.com">hgya.ministry@gmail.com</a> or scan the QR code above for GroupMe.

#### Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Friday, December 12

6:00pm Procession
7:00pm Bilingual Mass
Reception following the Mass



Do you work downtown?

A parishioner is seeking to join a carpool, as a passenger, to come downtown daily to work, with a flexible starting time.

She lives in the Wheat Ridge area. Her office is near Holy Ghost Church. She is willing to help with gasoline and related expenses.

Please consider offering assistance!

Please contact Karen at 303-844-4415 (office landline/answering machine). Thank you and God bless you.

#### 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 6:30-9pm: 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)



OCIA Meal Train Bring a meal for a time of fellowship at the OCIA (RCIA) meetings at our parish. These Tuesday meetings begin with guided meditation in church at 6:30 and transition to the dinner at 7, followed by the lesson and discussion. It is very important for those gathering to learn about how God is calling them to holiness within the Catholic Church to share the journey of

responding to that call. Thanks to you, they can enjoy a meal together! God bless you! https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/0810qz/

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

Annual Evening for Women: Friday, December 5 at 5:30pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 1958 Elm St., Denver. Spend a delightful time with other women that includes heartfelt connection, local vendors, Mass, a delicious dinner and a talk by Karin Middleton from the Archdiocese of Denver. The suggested donation is \$30 per person or \$135 to sponsor a table for six. Bring a guest and receive a gift. Register and pay by November 23: <a href="https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZKFC-campaign/C-14WH9">https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZKFC-campaign/C-14WH9</a>. QR code to the right.



- Our Lady Seat of Wisdom, A Chesterton Academy Open House: 8:30-10AM December 5th, 1843 W. 52nd Ave., Denver, serving the North Denver area. Admissions open. Affordable tuition, daily Mass all 4 years, opening school year retreat, no personal technology in school, student uniforms, House System, integrated Christ-centered curriculum. <a href="www.olswdenver.org">www.olswdenver.org</a> 720-446-6188 <a href="mailto:info@olswdenver.org">info@olswdenver.org</a>
- **Historic Denver Organ Tour:** Saturday, December 6, 9am-noon at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2015 Glenarm Place, St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1600 Grant, and Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway. Architectural histories will be described and the organs demonstrated with holiday fare. Tickets are \$25 for the general public; \$20 for AGO members. Advance tickets: <a href="https://historicdenver.org/events/organ-tour/">https://historicdenver.org/events/organ-tour/</a>

