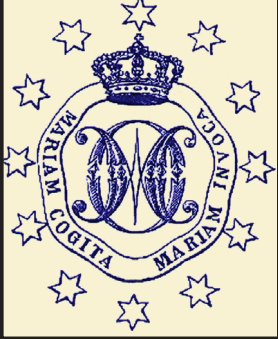


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## HOLY WEEK OFFICE HOURS

**Holy Week Parish Office Hours**  
 Monday - Wednesday 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.  
*Office is closed for lunch 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.*  
**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:**  
 7:00am and 11:30am Masses followed by the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
 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 12-1 p.m.  
 Friday 12-3 p.m.  
 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](http://www.adorationpro.org/holyghostdenver)  
 Contact email: [adoration@holyghostchurch.org](mailto: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 - Tuesdays 6:30-9pm, 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/>



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Divine Mercy in My Soul:  
 Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska # 1485

**WEEKLY REFLECTION**

**Oh, Sweet Mercy!**

Here at Holy Ghost, we are so known for the availability of confessions, and the application of God’s mercy and compassion always rooted in Truth. I am proud of my brother Oblates who built up this ministry over the years, as we round out our Silver Jubilee of service here since 2001.

The Feast of Divine Mercy is so dear to me as its proclamation came during my formative years, when I was 12 years old in 2000, and a few years later, it marked the beginning of my journey with the Oblates. On April 26, 2003, the Saturday after Easter, my family and I attended a day of recollection at the Oblate parish near home, St. Peter Chanel in Hawaiian Gardens, CA, part of Los Angeles County and Archdiocese. The four priests there gave talks connecting God’s mercy to various other themes of our Christian life and devotion. The day was attended by over 400 people from the surrounding region, and it was so captivating! The love and zeal of the Oblates there to pursue holiness was contagious.

Over that summer, through the high school youth group and parish activities, I learned so much more about my faith, the Mass, the other sacraments, central devotions like Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Catholic morality, and religious orders. Through an adapted version of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, I heard Mary suggest to me to consider the priesthood as a way to serve Jesus Christ, our Savior. And the rest is history, as I entered the seminary right out of college and continued to follow what felt like home with the Oblates.

I hope each of us can sense that deep, sweet mercy of our God here and everywhere we look. It is up to us to carry His compassion-rooted-in-truth into every little encounter. We need it in our marriages and families, within our parish, in our workplaces, in our criminal justice system (I am 2 for 3 on arrests this year, which is rooted in the documented truth of these peoples’ crimes), and even between nations. What is wrong is pointed out, at the service of correcting it, for the good of all persons involved.

May God grant us the grace to be worthy and faithful conduits of His sweet mercy and call to love, for all!

--Fr. Paul M. Nguyen, OMV



**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 April 12 - April 18**

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Financial Blessing

<b>Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget</b>	<b>\$23,260</b>
April 5, 2026 Actual Collection	\$19,124
April 5, 2026 Weekly Online Giving	\$5,514
April 5, 2026 Offertory Surplus/Deficit	\$1,378
April 5, 2026 avg per-person donation	\$24.64

<b>Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget</b>	<b>\$5,060</b>
April 5, 2026 Actual Donations	\$375
April 5, 2026 Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$1,474
April 5, 2026 Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	-\$3,211
April 5, 2026 avg per-person donation	\$1.85

Good Friday collection for the Holy Land \$1,448

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

**Catechesis Corner**

St. Faustina’s spiritual director, Blessed Fr. Michael Sopoćko (feast day: February 15), was a true guide for her soul, and a man of enormous wisdom and courage — so much so that the Church beatified him in 2008. Indeed, he was a man of sanctity in his own right — a sanctity forged in the fires of trials and tribulations, as well as through his close relationship with St. Faustina.

Sister Faustina had prayed to the Merciful Jesus for a spiritual director, someone who would help her and guide her on an ongoing basis to discern and do His will. Father Sopoćko was the answer to her prayers, and eventually he became the main promoter of her revelations. It was primarily through him that she would answer the Lord’s call to spread Divine Mercy throughout the world.

Seeing Fr. Sopoćko in chapel, St. Faustina wrote, “Suddenly I heard a voice in my soul say, ‘This is the visible help for you on earth. He will help you carry out My will on earth.’” (Diary, 53)

Blessed Fr. Michael Sopoćko, pray for us!

*Rest in Peace*  
**George Garcia**  
 (uncle of Ozzie Mazzuca)

**Ruth M. Santistevan**  
 (aunt of Joelle Zamora Clausen)

**Visitation 5-7pm at Mt. Olivet Chapel, Monday April 13**  
**Funeral Mass Tuesday April 14 at 9:30am at**  
**Guardian Angels Parish, Denver**

**Christine Chavez**  
 (sister-in-law of Robert Pablo)  
 Arrangements pending

**May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed**  
**through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

**IMPORTANT PARKING LOT INSTRUCTIONS  
 HOLY GHOST CHURCH**

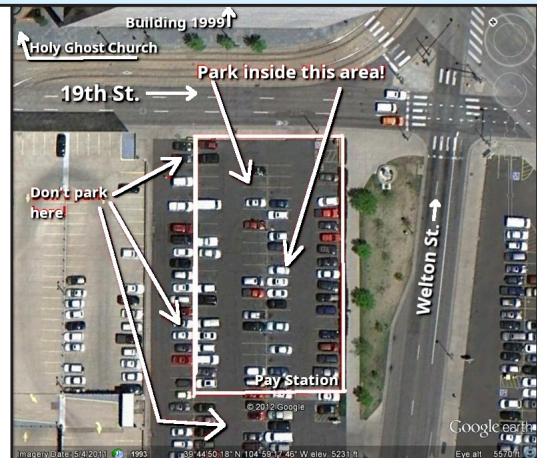
Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions  
 Location: 19th & Welton (“Lighthouse Lot”)

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2. Enter exact license plate number and letters. Press OK
3. Select Option—Choose appropriate # for **Holy Ghost**—Press OK
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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, April 11**

8:00 pm †David Dodge

**Sunday, April 12**

7:00 am Fr. Ed Poehlmann

8:30 am Philip Smaldone

10:00 am †Marvin Dzib

Noon †John Francis Thielen

5:10 pm Holy Ghost Parishioners

**Monday, April 13**

7:00 am †Robert and †Patricia Golka

11:30 am Jeff Cann

**Tuesday, April 14**

7:00 am †Lon Eberhart

11:30 am †Ben Jenkins

**Wednesday, April 15**

7:00 am †Pat Nethers Siggers

11:30 am Doris Ann Brookman

**Thursday, April 16**

7:00 am Shirley Moschetti

11:30 am †Desiree Sanchez

**Friday, April 17**

7:00am Fr. Larry Darnell, OMV

9:30am Respect Life

11:30am David and Valerie Sanchez

**Saturday, April 18**

8:00 am †Carol Whitcomb

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**Prayer Corner**

**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, Sonia Alvarez, Joseph Brookman, Larry Brookman, Lily Chavez, Jim Cunningham, Frank Dagnillo, Fr. Larry Darnell, OMV, David DiJiacomo, Arlene Drach, Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV, Fr. Hugh Guentner, O.S.M., Robin Jamsay, Monica Johnson, Nadine Karius, Alize Lucero, Diana Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Fr. Edward Poehlmann, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Patrick Schaefer, Virginia Templeton, Vivian Tichy, Elvira Unzueta

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

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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

## Divine Mercy Novena

1st day - Good Friday, April 3 at 1:30pm  
 2nd day - Holy Saturday, April 4 at 7:30pm  
 3rd day - Easter Sunday, April 5 at 1:30pm  
 4th-8th days - after 11:30am weekday Masses  
 9th day - Saturday, April 11 at 3:30pm



**Pray with Pope Leo XIV in Solidarity with those suffering war**  
 We will offer several opportunities this weekend to join in what Pope Leo XIV announced in his Easter blessing 'Urbi et Orbi.' The President of the US Bishops echoed the Holy Father's call in a video invitation and an official statement.

We will add the intention for Peace to devotions we are already observing:

- Saturday 3:30pm **Divine Mercy Novena**
- Saturday 4pm Mass and all Sunday Masses will include an intention for Peace in the **Prayers of the Faithful**
- Saturday 5:00pm **Rosary Walk** downtown
- Sunday 3:00pm **Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration** at the hour of mercy and for Peace

## Road Closures 4/9-16 and continuing

We have learned from the City of Denver to expect these lane and/or road closures over this weekend and as late as next Thursday. This project affects underground utilities and is expected to continue for 3 weeks, so we will continue to share updated information as the project proceeds.

- Lincoln St. from 19th Ave. to 20th Street
- 20th Street from Lincoln to Stout St.
- Broadway from California St. to Champa St.
- California St is closed at Broadway in the Westbound approach to Holy Ghost. It is open in front of church.
- Welton St. may close at some point during this project week.

The advisement from the City was that work was going to take place along 20th St. for the next 3 weeks, so we expect the next rolling closures to impact 20th St. farther north.

**Holy Ghost Rosary Making Team** Learn how to make rosaries to distribute at Holy Ghost! Join a new group Sunday, April 19 from 1-3pm to make rosaries. For so many people in need of a tangible sign of hope, a simple rosary is a tremendous consolation. Pray for all who will receive one. Materials provided.



Join us April 18-19 for the special release of the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal video. This year's theme reminds us that everything we have is a gift from God. In gratitude for all He has given us, we are invited to share those gifts through the Appeal, which extends the love of Jesus through ministries that care for our neighbors each day. To make your gift today, visit [archden.org/givetoday](http://archden.org/givetoday) or call 303-867-0614.



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

## April theme: Joy and Glory

April 14 **Morningstar Book Club @ Lanteri Center**  
*The Great Divorce* by C.S. Lewis

April 16 **Living the Resurrection @ Holy Ghost**  
 Presented by Fr. Jonathon

April 23 **Holy Hour w/ Adoration @ Holy Ghost**  
 St. Ignatius's 'Contemplation of Divine Love'

April 30 **Identity and Mission @ Lanteri Center**  
 Presented by Kay Davis

For more information or to join our mailing list, please contact [hgva.ministry@gmail.com](mailto:hgva.ministry@gmail.com) or scan the QR code above for GroupMe.



## Sacraments of Initiation

On Divine Mercy Sunday at the Noon Mass, candidates for reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church will profess Catholic faith and receive Confirmation and First Communion.

On Tuesday, April 14 at 7pm, children and adult Catholics prepared for Confirmation and/or First Communion will receive these sacraments.

## Denver Catholic Women's Conference 2026

This mini-retreat will guide you toward deeper union with God. Mass, talks, lunch, reflection and sisterhood.

Saturday, April 18 9:30am-2:30pm at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church at 18000 E. Arapahoe Road, Foxfield. Tickets: \$40



## CONGRATULATIONS!

### Calling all Graduates!

We would love to recognize graduates from high school, college, or major certificate programs and trade schools. Please submit your family member's name to the parish office along with the type of degree or program being completed so we can acknowledge your student in late May!



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 contact Karen at 303-844-4415 (office landline/answering machine).

## 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)

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **Denver Law of Life Summit:** Saturday, April 18, 8:30am - 5:00pm at Bonfils Hall at the Archdiocese of Denver. This one-day gathering is designed to bring together people from across Colorado for a day of encouragement, formation and collaboration as we continue working to build a culture of life in our state. \$15 includes breakfast and lunch. <https://sidewalkadvocates.org/law>
- **Road to Purity Annual Gala - Restoring the Family:** Saturday, May 2, 4:30-9:30pm at Colorado School of Mines. Restoring the Family gala supports the launch of a campaign focused on developing the Road to Purity Family Program in response to Sr. Lúcia's prophetic message about the spiritual battle over marriage and family, with the aim to empower Catholic families, heal generational wounds, and strengthen children's Catholic identity, restoring the family as a domestic church and sanctuary of faith in the face of opposing forces. [gala2026.roadtopurity.com](http://gala2026.roadtopurity.com) To purchase tickets and register, use the QR code to the right.



# Colorado MARCH for LIFE

**April 17, 2026**

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**17 de abril, 2026**

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CONCENTRATION 11 AM | MARCHA 12 PM  
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# March for Life

**Mass 9:30 AM at Holy Ghost**

**Meet in front of the church**

**Prayer walk to the Capitol 10:15 AM**

**Rally at the Capitol 11:00 AM**

**Colorado March for Life 12:00 PM**

**APRIL**

**FRIDAY**

**17**

**9:30 TO 2**



# "URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV APRIL 5, 2026: EASTER SUNDAY



Brothers and sisters, Christ is risen! Happy Easter!

For centuries, the Church has joyfully sung of the event that is the origin and foundation of her faith: "Yes, Christ my hope is arisen / Christ indeed from death is risen / Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning" (Easter Sequence).

Easter is the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of love over hatred. It is a victory that came at a very high price: Christ, the Son of the living God (cf. Mt 16:16), had to die — and die on a cross — after suffering an unjust condemnation, being mocked and tortured, and shedding all his blood. As the true immolated Lamb, he took upon himself the sin of the world (cf. Jn 1:29; 1 Pet 1:18-19) and thus freed us all — and with us, all creation — from the dominion of evil.

But how was Jesus able to be victorious? What is the strength with which he defeated once and for all the ancient adversary, the prince of this world (cf. Jn 12:31)? What is the power with which he rose from the dead, not returning to his former life, but entering into eternal life and thus opening in his own flesh the passage from this world to the Father?

This strength, this power, is God himself for he is Love who creates and generates, Love who is faithful to the end and Love who forgives and redeems.

... In the light of Easter, let us allow ourselves to be amazed by Christ! Let us allow our hearts to be transformed by his immense love for us! Let those who have weapons lay them down! Let those who have the power to unleash wars choose peace! Not a peace imposed by force, but through dialogue! Not with the desire to dominate others, but to encounter them!

We are growing accustomed to violence, resigning ourselves to it, and becoming indifferent. Indifferent to the deaths of thousands of people. Indifferent to the repercussions of hatred and division that conflicts sow. Indifferent to the economic and social consequences they produce, which we all feel. There is an ever-increasing "globalization of indifference," to borrow an expression dear to Pope Francis, who one year ago from this loggia addressed his final words to the world, reminding us: "What a great thirst for death, for killing, we witness each day in the many conflicts raging in different parts of the world!" (Urbi et Orbi Message, 20 April 2025).

... He passed through death to give us life and peace: "I leave you peace; I give you my peace. Not as the world gives it, I give it to you" (Jn 14:27). The peace that Jesus gives us is not merely the silence of weapons, but the peace that touches and transforms the heart of each one of us! Let us allow ourselves to be transformed by the peace of Christ! Let us make heard the cry for peace that springs from our hearts! For this reason, I invite everyone to join me in a prayer vigil for peace that we will celebrate here in Saint Peter's Basilica next Saturday, April 11.

On this day of celebration, let us abandon every desire for conflict, domination, and power, and implore the Lord to grant his peace to a world ravaged by wars and marked by a hatred and indifference that make us feel powerless in the face of evil. To the Lord we entrust all hearts that suffer and await the true peace that only he can give. Let us entrust ourselves to him and open our hearts to him! He is the only one who makes all things new (cf. Rev 21:5).

Happy Easter!