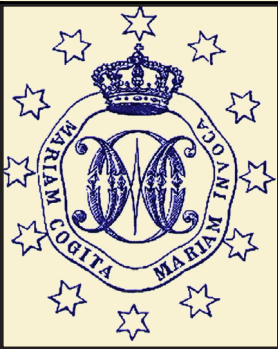


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MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

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
 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 - 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/>

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



The Supper at Emmaus by Matthias Stom

They urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. ~ Luke 24:29-30

WEEKLY REFLECTION

The Joy of Giving: How Charity Makes the Heart Glow

Happiness is frequently promised by the world through material items, comfort, and pleasure. However, the Christian tradition consistently maintains that this is not the most profound happiness that a human heart is capable of. Giving is a true joy, not fiction because it comes from love and communion and makes the heart bigger rather than less. In Catholic theology, the joy of giving is the happiness that results when love manifests itself in tangible deeds, particularly almsgiving and charity. Giving symbolizes what humans are designed for: unity with God and love for neighbor, thus it is a deeper joy rather than surface-level satisfaction.

There is more joy in giving than in receiving. When you share out of love, you discover “the fullness of life” returned to you as peace, inner satisfaction, and joy.

Giving is an encounter with Christ in the poor. Almsgiving is not only a helpful gesture; it is a way of recognizing Christ’s presence in those who suffer.

Almsgiving must carry mercy within it. It should not become a burden or a gesture done for show, but an act that helps and brings relief with the right interior attitude.

Additionally, giving might make the heart more receptive to conversion. Since charity "covers a multitude of sins," the Church believes that almsgiving is linked to forgiveness and reconciliation.

When love is exercised rather than just felt, joy increases. Love is demonstrated by deeds; even when sacrifice is required, giving and service can result in happiness.

Human experience attests to this: doing good can be enjoyable since giving is consistent with an innate tendency toward generosity and because love makes another person's goodness feel like one's own.

In conclusion, "giving is worship." It's a way of expressing your beliefs using your hands. Giving brings you joy because it releases you from connection to material possessions, brings you closer to God and other people, and focuses your life on mercy and hope. Givers never run out!

Fr. Ben, 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 19 - April 25
 Sponsors needed

LIVING OUR FAITH

Financial Blessing

Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget		\$23,260
April 12, 2026	Actual Collection	\$14,235
April 12, 2026	Weekly Online Giving	\$6,805
April 12, 2026	Offertory Surplus/Deficit	\$2,220
April 12, 2026	avg per-person donation	\$25.50

Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget		\$5,060
April 12, 2026	Actual Donations	\$438
April 12, 2026	Sandwich Line Online Giving	\$1,328
April 12, 2026	Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit	-\$3,294
April 12, 2026	avg per-person donation	\$2.14

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

Catechesis Corner

The locality of Emmaus has not been identified with certainty. There are various hypotheses and this one is not without an evocativeness of its own for it allows us to think that Emmaus actually represents every place: the road that leads there is the road every Christian, every person, takes. The Risen Jesus makes himself our travelling companion as we go on our way, to rekindle the warmth of faith and hope in our hearts and to break the bread of eternal life. In the disciples' conversation with the unknown wayfarer the words the evangelist Luke puts in the mouth of one of them are striking: "We had hoped..." (Lk 24: 21). This verb in the past tense tells all: we believed, we followed, we hoped..., but now everything is over. Even Jesus of Nazareth, who had shown himself in his words and actions to be a powerful prophet, has failed, and we are left disappointed. This drama of the disciples of Emmaus appears like a reflection of the situation of many Christians of our time: it seems that the hope of faith has failed. Faith itself enters a crisis because of negative experiences that make us feel abandoned and betrayed even by the Lord. But this road to Emmaus on which we walk can become the way of a purification and maturation of our belief in God. Also today we can enter into dialogue with Jesus, listening to his Word. Today, too, he breaks bread for us and gives himself as our Bread.

(from Pope Benedict’s Homily of April 6, 2008)

Rest in Peace

John Weber (d. April 9)

Maria del Carmen Madera Cabral (d. April 16)
 (aunt of parishioner Jesus Madera)

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**

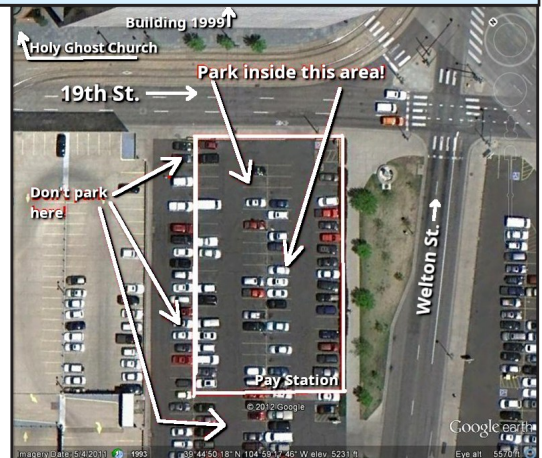
Weekend and Weekday Masses & Church Functions
 Location: 19th & Welton (“Lighthouse Lot”)

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, April 18

8:00 pm Jennifer Filardi

Sunday, April 19

7:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

8:30 am Jolee Isabella Rios

10:00 am †Pierre Ruiz

Noon Lexie and Hunter

5:10 pm Terry Robinette

Monday, April 20

7:00 am Paul and Teresa Wakefield

11:30 am The Pearse Family

Tuesday, April 21

7:00 am Priests Serving in Denver

11:30 am †Desiree Sanchez

Wednesday, April 22

7:00 am Taylor Gangi

11:30 am †Desiree Sanchez

Thursday, April 23

7:00 am David Robertson

11:30 am †Desiree Sanchez

Friday, April 24

7:00am Holy Ghost Musicians

11:30am Marsha Giovanniello and

†Ronald Giovanniello

Saturday, April 25

8:00 am Mike Clancy and Relda Fleshman

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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, Sonia Alvarez, Joseph Brookman, Larry Brookman,
 Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV,
 Robin Jamsay, Nadine Karius, Alize Lucero, Diana Lyter-Foster,
 Connie Magers, Fr. Edward Poehlmann, Magan Sandoval,
 Richard Sandoval, Patrick Schaefer, Virginia Templeton, 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	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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HOLY GHOST NEWS

Road Closures and Special Events

We have learned from the City of Denver to expect these lane and/or road closures over the next few weeks. These projects are road/utility work or special events.

- Segments of 20th Street north of us during weeks the Rockies play away.
- Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3: Cinco de Mayo "[Celebrate Culture Parade](#)" Saturday and on Saturday-Sunday, [Festival in Civic Center Park](#)
- Saturday, May 9: Rockies [Home Run 5K](#) race downtown
- Saturday, May 16: City Park hosts [Marathon events](#)
- Sunday, May 17: [Colfax Marathon](#) will present a significant traffic disruption to our south.

This weekend watch the 2026 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal in his new video. As we reflect that everything we have is a gift from God, we are called to respond with grateful hearts.

Your gift is an act of thanksgiving and love for the Lord, helping others grow in their relationship with Christ through ministries serving Northern Colorado.

Give today and share the gifts God has entrusted to you.



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 a rosary made by parishioners. Materials provided.

Burrito Sale

On April 26th, the Knights of Columbus downtown council 539 will be selling breakfast burritos after all morning masses. Proceeds benefit their charitable works.



Solemn religious vows of a Holy Ghost member at the Abbey of St. Walburga

Sister Maria-Benedicta, daughter of Holy Ghost parishioners, recently professed solemn religious vows at the Abbey of St. Walburga, a community of Benedictine contemplative nuns located in a valley in northern Colorado. As contemplative nuns, their primary duty for the Church is to pray the full Divine Office. The goal of their lives is union with Christ, seeking Him in community according to the Gospel and under the inspiration of the *Rule of St. Benedict*. They devote much of the day to the Word of God, through *lectio divina* and in liturgical prayer (the Divine Office). This life of prayer bears fruit in hospitality, providing an opportunity for people to come and stay in an atmosphere where they can intentionally seek God. All of their daily work, whether in the performance of simple household chores, or undertaken for the financial support of their community, is also offered to the glory of God.



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 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 or scan the QR code above for GroupMe.



RIP Fr. Larry, OMV: Please join us in prayer

A brother Oblate died on the morning of April 15 in California. Fr. Larry Darnell, OMV was 85. The long-time pastor of St. Peter Chanel, Fr. Larry was the first Oblate pastor I met when I was 15, and was very formative and encouraging as my family grew deeper in our faith. He suffered a long illness over several years. His devotion to Mary and the Rosary, and to the Divine Mercy were so strong. The morning of his death, he had spent the 3 AM hour in eucharistic adoration at his bedside, and died a couple hours later. His constant request was for prayers, and that we love Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. I will travel to pay respects and represent our Denver community at his funeral there Monday. Thank you all for your prayers for all of us at this time.

-Fr. Paul



Teen Service Project Calling all teens to participate in a Saturday service project! On April 25 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

On Sunday, April 26, we welcome the Carmelite sisters and representatives of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic STEM School in Wheat Ridge to let us know what their school is all about.



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!

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

- **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 To purchase tickets and register, use the QR code to the right.



**Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion
April 4, 2026
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

Rudhra, Jayden, Elier, Indira, Naomi, Joseph



Six Neophytes with their Sponsors

**Reception into Full Communion, Confirmation,
and First Holy Communion**

**April 12, 2026
Divine Mercy Sunday**



**Terry
Jessica
Jennifer
Matt
Vince
Clay
Doug**



**Confirmation & First Holy Communion
April 14, 2026
Very Rev. Matthew Book, Vicar for Clergy**



**Ashanti, Kaitlyn, Catherine, Ava,
Bryanna, Lulu, Zulet, Sage**



**George, Noah, Perla, Carla, Fiona,
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