

Church of the Holy Ghost

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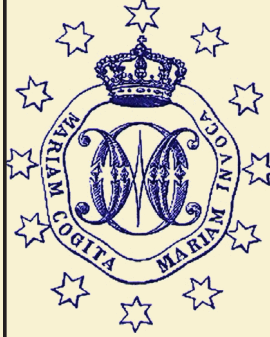
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OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office Hours

Mon - Thurs 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Office is closed on Fridays.)

Office is closed for lunch 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



“Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?
Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your
Father’s knowledge.

Even all the hairs of your head are counted.

So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.”

~ Matthew 10:29-31

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 - Summer schedule: Tuesdays June 9, July 14, and

August 11, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m., 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

(First published in 2023)

You are indeed holy, O Lord.

This article continues a series on the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass (catch up with last week’s on the Preface), and we will now explore Eucharistic Prayer III in 3 parts. By the way, there are four main Eucharistic Prayers; two for Reconciliation; and four for Various Needs that emphasize different aspects of the Christian life and our relationship to God, e.g. “Jesus, the Way to the Father.”

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
and all you have created
rightly gives you praise,
for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
by the power and working of the Holy Spirit,
you give life to all things and make them holy,
and you never cease to gather a people to yourself,
so that from the rising of the sun to its setting
a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Acts of religion are categorized as a specific kind of justice. We owe it to God to praise Him, because we realize that He has done wonderful things in our lives and offered us Heaven as the perfection of all that we long for in our earthly life (not as an escape from it). So all of creation (including ourselves) *rightly* gives Him praise.

In between fussing over the toddlers and infants in the pew, and remembering that one thing you were supposed to do last week (we all know how this goes – it’s the beautiful messiness of life that reminds us we need God, and that this isn’t heaven yet), call this to mind, raising your mind and heart in appreciation of all God’s gifts.

Lastly, we call to mind that the Church is not just a building, but a chosen people, chosen to be the light of the world (cf. Vatican II primary image of the Church in *Lumen Gentium*). The former translation said “from East to West,” but by expressing the comprehensiveness of God’s people as covered by the rising sun, the Church reminds us that this is a dynamic, lived experience that the people of God share. It’s us. It’s the same sun that rises and sets. It also invokes the ancient image of Jesus Christ the Savior and Messiah as the rising sun who conquers the darkness of sin. He is the One we look forward to seeing in the next part of the prayer. He is the One we hope our eyes will open to see in Eternity. And so we offer the Eucharist, the sacrifice of Thanksgiving, in Jesus’ name, to the Father in Heaven.

--Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV

BAPTISM

Arthur Londoño Muñoz
on June 14 by Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV
Welcome into the Church!

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.

LIVING OUR FAITH

Financial Blessing

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| Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget | | \$23,260 |
| June 14, 2026 | Actual Collection | \$8,698 |
| June 14, 2026 | Weekly Online Giving | \$3,783 |
| June 14, 2026 | Offertory Surplus/Deficit | - \$10,779 |
| June 14, 2026 | avg per-person donation | \$15.13 |
| Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget | | \$5,060 |
| June 14, 2026 | Actual Donations | \$107 |
| June 14, 2026 | Sandwich Line Online Giving | \$940 |
| June 14, 2026 | Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit | - \$4,013 |
| June 14, 2026 | avg per-person donation | \$1.27 |

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

Catechesis Corner Old Testament references to sparrows

In Leviticus 14:1-7, sparrows were used as sacrifices for purification. The priest would offer two sparrows to a person who had been healed of a skin disease. In Psalm 102:6-7, the psalmist compares himself to a sparrow that is alone on a housetop. Sparrows are mentioned in Psalm 84:3 as finding a home in the temple of the Lord. In Psalm 124:7, the psalmist compares his escape from danger to a bird escaping from a hunter’s trap. In Job 6:5, Job describes his own misery by comparing himself to a sparrow caught in a trap. In Psalm 102:1-11, the psalmist compares himself to a sparrow that has lost its mate.



Weddings

Jesus Vasquez and Esmeralda Duarte
United in Christ on June 13
Celebrant: Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV

Bishop Banda and Hailey Hayes
United in Christ on June 13
Celebrant: Fr. Vincent Carrasco

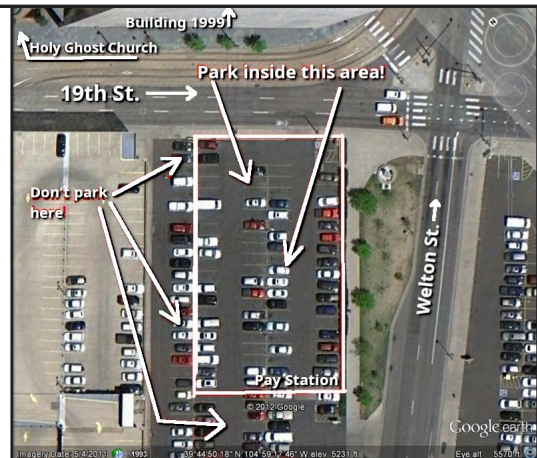
Congratulations!



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 June 21 - June 27
Sponsors needed



HOLY GHOST NEWS



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 20

4:00 pm †Cole Chase

Sunday, June 21

7:00 am Holy Ghost Parishioners

8:30 am Jann Hodge

10:00 am †Connor Boland

Noon Lexie & Hunter

5:10 pm †Louis and †Joyce Gerard

Monday, June 22

7:00 am †Peter Isaac

11:30 am Fanny Seton

Tuesday, June 23

7:00 am †George Learned

11:30 am Fanny Seton

Wednesday, June 24

7:00 am †Mary Encas Toland

11:30 am †Ray and †Mary Rita Brookman

Thursday, June 25

7:00 am †Judy Buffalohead

11:30 am †The Deceased Members of the Venero and Chavez Families

Friday, June 26

7:00am †Judy Buffalohead

11:30am †Mary Arvizu

Saturday, June 27

8:00 am Fr. Dan Barron, OMV

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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, Larry Brookman, Renee Burris, Karen Cox, Milton Cox, Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, Kim Dottenwhy, Phillip Herrera, Nadine Karius, Diana Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Dana Pappas, Fr. Edward Poehlmann, Ernest Quintana, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval, Patrick Schaefer, Virginia Templeton, Mary Viray, Christine Wheeler

PRAY FOR ALL OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

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| 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 |
| MIDN Vincent Nowak, USNR | Taylor Donohue, US Navy |
| LCDR Claire Clancy, US Navy | Maj. Joseph Conrad Accountius |
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HOLY GHOST NEWS



Engaged and Newlyweds Happy Hour is back!

Saturday, June 27, 2026 after the 4pm Mass.

Meet other couples married recently at Holy Ghost and grow in faith and friendship. Babies welcome.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/4PKRWUevNQ>



Missionary to speak after Masses June 27-28

Parishioner Carole Dugan will be volunteering for 2 years with Farm of the Child, which serves the poorest of the poor kids whose families can't afford to feed them, and abandon them on the street. Missionaries serve the neighboring villages by providing a school and clinic, as well as teaching the faith. Franciscan sisters oversee the operation and missionaries serve in whatever capacity is needed. Please pray for and support Carole financially.



Annual Parish Picnic Volunteers Needed

Our parish picnic is Sunday, July 12, 2026, 1-4pm on our East Plaza.

1pm: Group Photo of the Parish in front of the church

On the day of the picnic, those with last names beginning with A-K, please bring a side dish; those with last names beginning with L-Z, please bring a dessert to share.

Volunteer Meeting: Sunday, June 28 at 1:30pm in the Parish Hall. Volunteers are needed for set up, greeting, grilling, serving, clean up, and more.

Please scan the QR code to sign up.



Life-Saving Vascular & Organ Wellness Ultrasound Screenings Coming

Date/location: July 2nd, Thursday, Holy Ghost Parish
Call (832) 437-7355 to set up your appointment.



Respect Life Baby Shower Planning Meeting

Tuesday, July 7 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall

The Baby Shower Tea Party will be held Saturday, August 1.
Contact Amanda Mazzuca, hgrespectlife@gmail.com



Movie Night with Venerable Fr. Bruno Lanteri and Pilgrimage Preview

Saturday, July 11, from 5-8pm, we will show the hour-long documentary on the backstory of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. We will also read some of Fr. Lanteri's writings and preview the sites that we will visit on pilgrimage this Fall.

All parishioners are invited to this evening! Supper will be provided.

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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

JUNE theme: Members of the Body of Christ

June 25 Christian Dating 101 @ Holy Ghost
Presented by Fr. Jonathon

June 28 Happy Hour Hangout @ Holy Ghost
After the 5:10pm Mass

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



Teen Service Project Calling all teens to participate in a Saturday service project! On June 27 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.

“The righteous man walks in integrity; blessed are his children after him.” ~ Proverbs 20:7

Happy Father's Day



2026 Faith Day at the Rockies, Sunday August 2, 1:10pm

Colorado Rockies vs Kansas City Royals

Holy Ghost block of seats for \$33 each. Specific seats to be sold after Saturday evening and Sunday Masses starting June 27 through the parish picnic, July 12.



Special postgame concert by contemporary Christian artist **Crowder**.

Traffic advisory June 28

The Denver Pridefest will impact local streets with a parade along 17th Avenue and a fair along 16th Street from Broadway to Arapahoe all day Sunday, June 28.



Catholic Faith Camp (VBS)

July 27-31, 2026

on the theme of the Mass, "Source and Summit"

Ages 5-11: participants; ages 12-adult: volunteers
Catholic Faith Camp **registration deadline July 12**

<https://form.jotform.com/261596322821155>



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

- **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Annual Bazaar:** Saturday July 18, 5-10pm & Sunday July 19, 4-9pm, 3549 Navajo, Denver, 303-455-0447 Live music, Italian goods, bingo, pickles, and spin to win, children's games and religious ed, Grand Raffle (drawing on Sunday at 7pm), authentic bazaar food featuring sausage and meatball sandwiches, pizza frita, Italian ice, gelato and more, with beer, wine and seltzer, soda and water. 132nd Annual Feast Day Mass and Procession Sunday at 2pm with procession at 3pm (no 9am or 11am Mass). OurLadyMountCarmel.com

Happy Father's Day

On this Father's Day, we give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, mentors, and father figures who have reflected God's care through steady love, quiet sacrifice, wise counsel, and faithful presence. As we hustle around the house preparing to serve, nurture, maybe even hunt down the perfect necktie, and show the men in our lives that they are loved this Father's Day, let's pause for a moment to offer them our praise, our blessings, and our prayers. Today, let us take a moment to reflect and pray for all the fathers — both natural and spiritual — who have guided and shaped us throughout the years.

This Father's Day, we remember our **fathers** and **stepfathers** who raised us, tucked us into bed at night, taught us to read, nurtured our upbringing, and provided for us.

We remember our **grandfathers**, who may have moved a little slower but spoiled us with their time and tenderness — sitting with us in silence, listening to the hum of birds and crickets, slipping us candy when Grandma wasn't looking, taking us on special outings, or teaching us to pray, to work, and yes, even to fight for what is right.

We remember our **brothers** and **uncles**, who always had our backs — who played sports with us, took us to the park, shared their adventures, and taught us about life with a mix of wisdom and mischief.

We remember our **priests** and **deacons** — the men who selflessly taught us the faith, sometimes without rest. They guided us in every season of life, acting at times as fathers, brothers, uncles, or friends. They listened to our hardest struggles, offered counsel even when it wasn't what we wanted to hear, and continually pointed us toward Christ. We also give thanks for the men who came to our aid when we needed the sacraments.

We remember our **teachers**, **friends**, and **mentors** who shaped us through their patience, encouragement, and example — especially in the moments when we were stubborn, short-sighted, or simply needed someone to stand beside us and offer encouragement.

We also remember that every human father is imperfect, yet our Heavenly Father remains constant in mercy, strength, and grace. Today is a time to honor those who have guided us, encouraged us, and pointed us toward what is good — while resting in the love of God, who never fails His children.

For some, this day brings joy and gratitude. For others, it carries grief, absence, or longing. In all these things, the Lord meets us with tenderness. May we be a church that celebrates with thankfulness, comforts with compassion, and remembers that God's love reaches every heart with perfect understanding.

**“As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.”**

Psalm 103:13

Joseph



St. Joseph, Model for Fathers

As we lift up our fathers, let us look to St. Joseph for strength and guidance. In a world that often sets men aside, we can turn to St. Joseph for his powerful intercession. He is the silent saint — the one who never speaks a word in Scripture — yet he faithfully guided and protected Our Lady and Our Lord Jesus. He listened to God with a steady heart and obeyed every command entrusted to him.

Though he first intended to quietly divorce Mary, his deep trust in God led him to embrace his vocation: **“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife, for the child conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins” (Matthew 1:20–21).**

Like many men, St. Joseph’s perseverance, steadfast love, and strength often went unseen — yet his faithfulness changed the world. Today, lift up your fathers to St. Joseph, asking him to watch over them, strengthen them, and guide them in their vocation.

Ways to Strengthen Your Faith

Encourage the men in your life to be the **head of the household** in the faith: to pray over your family and ask for St. Joseph’s intercession for them.

Fathers, bless and pray over your wife and children.

Set aside time each day for **family prayer**: read Scripture together and pray the rosary.

Lead your home toward Christ: **attend Mass** faithfully and **celebrate the feast days** in Church.

Take part in **men’s groups** to grow in faith and strengthen your vocation.

Consider **consecrating your family** to St. Joseph.

St. Joseph’s Blessings for Fathers

Holy Father, we humbly seek the intercession of St. Joseph, the protector of families and guide for fathers. May his steadfast love and unwavering faith inspire all fathers to lead with compassion, strength, and wisdom. Bless them with patience and grace as they nurture their children, reflecting Your divine love in their homes. Amen.

We pray in thanksgiving for our living fathers

All the OMV in Colorado:
Fr. Tom Cannon,
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Fr. Mark Yavarone,
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