



# Church of the Holy Ghost

✠ 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 9, 2026

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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



**The Sinking Peter** by Theodor Klenk

When he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ~ Matthew 14:30-31

## MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

### Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

### Saturday Masses, August 15th

8:00 a.m. Assumption of Mary (no obligation)

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 Sundays of the month.

Next Baptismal Class Saturday, July 11th 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)

### The Arms of the Cross Embrace the Whole World

We continue our series on the Eucharistic Prayer, reflecting on the final portion of the prayer before the concluding doxology.

In this section, the priest speaks the prayer that connects Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross and the way we receive it as the Sacrament of Love to the Church on earth, the mystical Body of Christ composed of all believers. Cross meets World. In particular, this section refers so many times to "all the world," "the entire people," "this family," and "all your children." It asks for reconciliation, peace, salvation, faith, charity, and unity: "O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world."

How many of us know so many persons who find themselves outside the visible boundaries of the Catholic Church? Either by professing a faith that does not include the fullness of Catholic faith, or by choosing not to attend Catholic liturgies and keep the Lord's day holy by attending Sunday Mass, or by choosing to object to the Church's clear moral teaching about right and wrong, a person can be found outside the Church. And yet the sacrifice of the Mass, celebrated countless thousands of times each day, reaches out to lift these people to God of compassion and mercy.

So, too, those who have died are not absent from our prayers. In the final section of the Eucharistic prayer, we pray both for our own "departed brothers and sisters," that is those of our family and those of our faith; and "all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life," that is, those who, despite not being joined publicly to the Church, have lived by the light of natural reason and their own consciences. The Church in her wisdom provides for us this comprehensive prayer that trusts so much in the mercy of God, without compromising her hope for the fullness of communion with the Triune God and the Church He established on earth for our salvation and fulfillment with Him in heaven, where we all "hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of [His] glory."

As the Church reflects this Sunday on the symbol of unity who is the Pope, the successor of Peter, we consider how each Mass is connected to the authority of Holy Mother Church and how we cannot help but be caught up in her maternal embrace through each Mass.

--Fr. Paul M. Nguyen, OMV

### Rest in Peace

**William Gray (died out of state)  
(brother of Parishioner Susan Rovegno)**

**"May his soul 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.**

## LIVING OUR FAITH

### Financial Blessing

|                                              |                 |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Needed Weekly—Offertory Budget</b>        | <b>\$23,260</b> |
| August 2, 2026 Actual Collection             | \$15,613        |
| August 2, 2026 Weekly Online Giving          | \$2,939         |
| August 2, 2026 Offertory Surplus/Deficit     | - \$7,656       |
| August 2, 2026 avg per-person donation       | \$22.49         |
| <b>Needed Weekly—Sandwich Line Budget</b>    | <b>\$5,060</b>  |
| August 2, 2026 Actual Donations              | \$958           |
| August 2, 2026 Sandwich Line Online Giving   | \$568           |
| August 2, 2026 Sandwich Line Surplus/Deficit | - \$3,397       |
| August 2, 2026 avg per-person donation       | \$1.85          |

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

### Catechesis Corner

In today's gospel Jesus reassured the disciples, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." This is an episode from which the Fathers of the Church drew a great wealth of meaning. The sea symbolizes this life and the instability of the visible world; the storm points to every kind of trial or difficulty that oppresses human beings. The boat represents the Church built by Christ and steered by the Apostles.

St. Augustine, imagining that he was addressing the Apostle Peter, commented: The Lord "leaned down and took you by the hand. With your strength alone you cannot rise. Hold tight to the hand of the One who reaches down to you" and he did not say this to Peter alone but also to us.

Let us call on the Virgin Mary, model of total entrustment to God, so that amidst the plethora of anxieties, problems and difficulties which churn up the sea of our life, may our hearts resonate with the reassuring words of Jesus who also says to us "Take heart, it is I; have no fear!" and may our faith in him grow. (from Pope Benedict XVI's Homily of August 7, 2011)

## BAPTISM

**Kailany Gloria Eva Almanza Corpuz**

on August 1 by Fr. Paul Nguyen, OMV

**Welcome into the Church!**



### Wedding Congratulations!

**Sean Butler and Gabby Grant**

United in Christ on August 1

Celebrant: Fr. Micah Flores

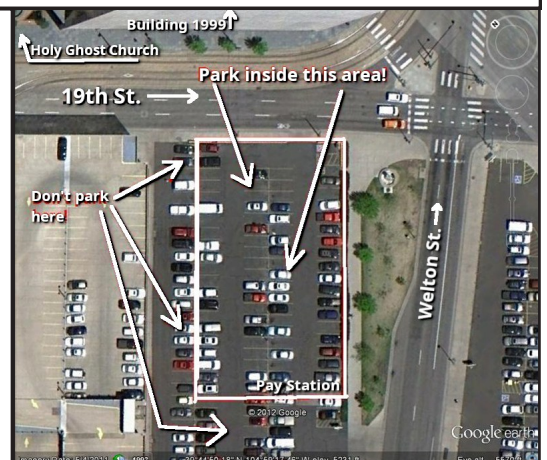


### Support Floral Arrangements on the High Altar

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 August 9 - August 15**

Sponsors needed





# HOLY GHOST NEWS



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, August 8

4:00 pm †Max Martinez

### Sunday, August 9

7:00 am †Frank Charles

8:30 am †David Chavez, Jr.

10:00 am †Pierre Ruiz

Noon Mark Dilger and Family,  
Living and Deceased

5:10 pm Holy Ghost Parishioners

### Monday, August 10

7:00 am Holy Souls in Purgatory

11:30 am †Rafael D. Arvizu, Jr.

### Tuesday, August 11

7:00 am Fr. Jim Fox

11:30 am †Son Joseph Vu

### Wednesday, August 12

7:00 am David Leonardi

11:30 am †Mary Machado

### Thursday, August 13

7:00 am Fr. Nathan Marzonie, OMV (ordained 2022)

11:30 am Benjamin Pearse

### Friday, August 14

7:00 am Carlos Dugan

11:30 am Andre Taylor

Saturday, August 15 Assumption of Mary  
(no obligation)

8:00 am †Betty Champlin

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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.

Mary A., Samuel Jamie Abeyta, Joseph Brookman, Larry Brookman,  
Jim Cunningham, David DiJiacomo, Nadine Karius, Alice Lucero,  
Dianna Lyter-Foster, Connie Magers, Magan Sandoval, Richard Sandoval,  
Patrick Schaefer, Michelle Smith, Jose Zamudio

## 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   |
| MIDN Vincent Nowak, USNR              | Taylor Donohue, US Navy       |
| LCDR Claire Clancy, US Navy           | Maj. Joseph Conrad Accountius |
| Rogelio Tellez, USMC                  | LTJG Ryan Tierney, USN        |
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# HOLY GHOST NEWS



## Religious Education/Sacramental Prep

Registration for 2026-2027 runs the weekend of July 25-26 through August 30. Forms are available in the Parish Office.  
[WWW.HOLYGHOSTCHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.HOLYGHOSTCHURCH.ORG)

## Upcoming event:

**Gift of Pencils to students.  
Blessing of backpacks and  
students August 22-23 at all Masses**



**Life Around the World Dinner & Auction  
(hosted by Respect Life)**  
Saturday, October 3 at 5pm  
in the Parish Hall



Planning meeting is Sunday, August 23 from 1:30 to 3:00pm in the Parish Hall.



## Respect Life Ministry- Thank You for Your Support

Thank you to everyone who joined us—both in person and in prayer—at our Respect Life Tea Party. Your generosity and kindness created a beautiful afternoon of fellowship and purpose.

Because of your baby item donations, we are able to support the families served by Marisol Homes, reminding them that our parish walks with them in love, dignity, and hope. Your prayers, presence, and gifts truly make a difference. May God bless you for your commitment to respecting and uplifting life in all its stages.

The pilgrims to Italy invite you to send your prayer intentions with us so we can pray for them at each shrine and saint's tomb we will visit! We will collect them now through Sunday, August 30 for our trip August 31 - September 13. Please see the special station at the welcoming table or send them directly to Fr. Paul by email.

**Submit Your  
Prayer  
Intentions**



## Lanteri Guild – Registration Open

Wish to know more about Venerable Bruno Lanteri?

Are you struggling with your spiritual life, and do you want to grow? Join the Lanteri Guild with Fr. Ben for monthly meetings, reflections, and practical guidance rooted in his spirituality. Contact the parish office to register.

## Fall is around the corner!

What a wonderful time to stop and reflect with the Lord, to take a look deep within to be renewed! Here is a time and place to make it happen!

## Come join the Lanteri Center on their Fall Silent Retreat

Sign up today, the spots are filling up fast!

You have the option of a 4-day (October 1-4) or 8-day (October 1-8) retreat. There are a limited number of 8-day spots so grab yours today! You will meet with a spiritual director each day and he/she will suggest themes for prayer and help you process your encounter with God. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturday. Mass will be offered every day. Use the QR Code to apply today.

Lanteri Center 416 22nd Street Denver, CO 80205  
[lantericenter@omvusa.org](mailto:lantericenter@omvusa.org) (303) 298-1498



## 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



## August theme: Children of Mary

August 13 "Show yourself to be our Mother!" @ Holy Ghost  
Presented by Fr. Jonathon

August 16 Picnic in the Park @ City Park  
Sunday after the noon Mass

August 20 Sacraments Night @ Holy Ghost  
Holy hour with adoration and confessions

August 27 "Think on Mary, Call on Mary" @ Holy Ghost  
Presented by Fr. Jonathon

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.

## Photos Request

Anyone with photos or video of Holy Ghost activities since the new year, please contact Fr. Paul to transfer them and have them considered for publication in our annual calendar and digital media. Thank you!



**Request Masses** Consider having a Mass celebrated for any family member(s), living or deceased, or any other person or group of people who needs our prayers. You may stop by the parish office M-Th 9-5 or mail or email your requests to the office. The standard Mass offering is \$10, but it is entirely up to you whether to offer any amount at the time you make your request.

**Collective Mass Intentions** Beginning in January 2026, the first Sunday noon Mass of each month is 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.

**Natural Family Planning Classes** Learn the Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning through the Couple to Couple League. NFP is a natural, effective, and Church-supported approach to family planning that promotes communication and shared responsibility between spouses. Classes are taught by trained married couples, and the Couple to Couple League is recognized by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a national NFP provider. **Next class at Holy Ghost starts in October.** Visit [learnnfp.org](http://learnnfp.org) to sign up or [ccli.org](http://ccli.org) more information. **For couples seeking a refresher** on these topics, connect through the parish office.

**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

- Solemnity of Mother Saint Clare Celebration:** Tuesday, August 11 Mass at 3325 Pecos St., Denver at 6pm followed by a reception. You are invited to send your intentions to the Capuchin Poor Clares so that they can pray for them during the Novena of St. Clare August 2-10. (303) 458-6339 [DENVER.CAPCLARES@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DENVER.CAPCLARES@GMAIL.COM)