Please join us for Adoration from 7AM to 8AM before the 8:30AM weekday morning Mass.

PRAYER FOR PEACE
God of peace and justice, today we hold the people of Ukraine in our prayers. Please bring peace to our world and the laying down of weapons. Jesus, we ask you to please end the invasion and war in Ukraine and soften the hearts of the Russian authorities. May all experience your spirit of comfort and compassion. With Your mercy and grace, please save Ukraine and our world. Amen.

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”
- Mt 11:28-30

CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST

Jul 9, 2023
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 8
4PM Mass
Cyriac Njaravelil

Sunday, July 9
8AM Mass
Edward Steininger

10:30AM Mass
Allan Samson

12:30PM Polish Mass
To Be Determined

Our Sanctuary Lamp
Our sanctuary lamp is a 7-day candle that is always lit above the tabernacle. If you would like to contribute $20 to the cost of the weekly candle, we will include an acknowledgement in the bulletin. You are also welcome to make the donation in memory of a loved one. You may mail your request with your contribution to Holy Ghost Church at 254 N Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale IL 60191.

Food for the Banquet
A beautiful way to honor your loved ones, living or deceased, is through providing Food for the Banquet. You may mail your request with your $50 contribution to Holy Ghost Church at 254 N Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale IL 60191.

In Memory of
John Terkowitsch
From Kevin & Marlene Crowley

Names will be printed in the bulletin in the order in which they are received.

Holy Ghost Parish and its Council of Catholic Women will host a Welcome Reception for our Brothers and Sisters in Christ from St. Charles Borromeo Parish.

Saturday, July 8th
after 4 PM Mass
Sunday, July 9th
after 8 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:30 PM Masses

Meet and mingle with our present and new parishioners.

Blood Pressure screenings will also be available.

Your participation in the CMAA is important.
If you have not had a chance to participate in the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) this year, there is still time. Please look for the mailing which will be arriving in homes shortly.

As your pastor, I encourage you to prayerfully reflect on God’s gifts to you and to give a gift to the CMAA. Participation is the key to a successful appeal and a chance for our parish to receive a parish rebate, too. Every gift helps!

If you do not receive this mailing and would like to make a gift to the CMAA, please call the Diocese of Joliet Development Office at (815) 838-8515. Or, if you wish to make your gift online, please visit www.jolietdioceseappeal.org.

Thank you, Father John Hornicak

2023 CMAA Pledge Report
as of 6/26/2023

2023 PARISH GOAL: $54,300
2023 AMOUNT PLEDGED: $56,879
2023 AMOUNT PAID: $42,492
2023 BALANCE DUE: $14,388

Please include your choice of date from the list below.

*The following dates are open for donations:
August 19/20, 26/27
September 9/10, 16/17
September 30/October 1
October 7/8, 14/15, 28/29
November 4/5, 11/12, 18/19, 23, 25/26
December 2/3, 16/17, 23/24, 30/31

(*Availability subject to possible change once the bulletin has gone to the printer.)
**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**Pray for Our Military**

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

**AIR FORCE:**
- LT COL Anthony Calabrese
- LT COL Patty Calabrese
- MAJ Mary Dones
- CAPT Joseph Piscopo
- CAPT Jeremy Shimaneck
- 1st LT Joshua Jalowiec
- SSGT Robert W. Dones
- SSGT Timothy Latvis
- SRA Randall Petrbok

**ARMY:**
- LTC Robert Bowen
- LTC Grace Gallagher
- 1LT Elizabeth Gonzalez
- SSGT Zack Cieslak
- SPC Marco Garcia
- SPC David Patcher
- CW04 Anderson Mann
- PVT Steven Badgley
- PVT Ian Schauhuk

**MARINE CORPS:**
- CAPT Edward W. Miller
- SGT Nicholas Reid
- CPL Charles Golowacz
- CPL Jack Rowley
- LCPL David Lozeau
- PVT Cameron Andrenes
- PVT Vincent Anthony Eitman
- PVT Billy Termine
- PVT Michele Giuseppe Bottalico

**NAVY:**
- LCDR Nicholas Lucania
- LT Matthew Starsiak
- Ryan James Ruizol

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**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

- Cathy Alcozer
- Gloria Anderson
- Joel Calderone
- Anna Canale
- Ron Catalano
- Martin Chiodo
- James Cumo
- John Davis
- Rose Marie Davis
- Gerry Grupe
- Evelyn Hickman
- Special Intention
- Anthony Jasinski IV
- Karen Junke
- Meaghan K.
- Mike Kaiser
- Virginia Kapelanski
- Joyce Kordas
- Carrie Krush
- Patricia Krush
- Angela Liga
- Noel Lopez
- Mary Marino
- Wendell Meyer
- Bill Morse
- Bonnie Murphy
- Gloria Paz
- Lisa Perez
- Laverne Peterson
- Pat Pitello
- Rose Powers
- William Powers
- Joseph Prince
- Robert Rosch Sr
- Andrew Rosinski
- John Rossi
- Reiner Siedentop
- Wanda Slupik
- Jackie Vanjoske
- Larry Venere
- Carol Williams
- Blake Wishnow
- Maria Yanez

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**LET US PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

- Pray for Our Military
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**RECOGNIZE GOD IN OUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

A Ballad of Flesh and Spirit

“My yoke is easy and my burden is light,” says the man hanging from a cross. And if we only went on what we see with our eyes — flesh driven through by nails and sword, swollen from beating and inches from expiration — it would seem like a joke.

I’ll tell you something we all know: this life on earth is hard. It’s either too long or it’s too short. It’s frequently painful. It’s riddled with problems that seem to make no sense. It is, as Dickens wrote, “made of ever so many partings welded together.”

But it’s also shockingly, senselessly beautiful. It is full of physical experiences of love, joy, and peace that are so powerful they leave you breathless.

It is both these things — good and bad, hard and wonderful, just as we are both body and soul, spirit and flesh.

No one knows the Father except the Son, who entered into our bodily existence to free us from enslavement to it. No one knows the Son except the Father, and the means by which they know one another — the love passing between them, the Third Person himself — has been shared with us, has made its dwelling within us through baptism.

“Brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.” — Romans 8:12

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi

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Please help: Is our Military Prayer List current? Please email: joni@holyghostparish.org or call the parish office at 630-860-2975 to help us update this information. Thank you!


GOSPEL MEDITATION

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus’ words are such stunningly good news: “Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is “meek and humble of heart.”

We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is “yoked” to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly “yoked” to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don’t have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, “Come! I will give you rest.” We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor.

― Father John Muir

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK -
AN INVITATION TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: The prophet Zechariah saw the future king of Israel restoring both the land and the people, bringing peace and justice to all the nations. How might you help build toward this promised future?

Second Reading: Paul speaks of the power of the Spirit living in those who believe in Jesus. When have you felt or experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

Gospel: Jesus invites all who are burdened and laboring to find “rest” in him. What burdens do you or your family need lifted from your life?

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength."

— St. Philip Neri

Readings for the week of July 9, 2023

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/ Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/ Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/ Ps 91:1-4, 14-15/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1-3, 6-8, 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 23-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 21-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Ps 105:1-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Please join Pope Francis in praying his July 2023 intention: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Calling All Kids Ages 4 Through 6th Grade
Cool Kingdom Party-Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus—Vacation Bible School at Holy Ghost Parish begins on July 31 and goes through August 4 from 9:00 a.m. to noon for ages 4 through 6th grade. This program helps kids explore, learn and grow in their Catholic faith. Another goal of this program is to help children understand the importance of Mary, Our Blessed Mother, and how she leads us closer to her son Jesus. It will be a fun week with crafts, games, snacks, music and learning about our Catholic faith. Registration forms are at the Welcome Center or contact the Faith Formation office at 630-766-4509. (If your children aren’t available all five days, register and come on the days they are available.) The cost is only $35.00 per child for the week.

Calling All Teens From 7th Grade Through High School
Children in 7th grade through high school will also come from 9:00 a.m. to noon to journey through the Catholic faith in all its richness and to see how the sacraments, prayer and discipleship are the keys to a happy life; with a video series called The Chosen. A goal is to bring about a personal encounter with Jesus and a community full of disciples. The teens will also have fun assisting the younger children with music, games and crafts. Registration forms are at the Welcome Center or contact the Faith Formation office at 630-766-4509. (If your teens aren’t available all five days, register and come on the days they are available.) The cost is only $20.00 per teen for the week.

Anyone that would like to volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School or to donate for the crafts, snacks, etc. please contact Nancy Siemers at 630-766-4509.

Holy Ghost Parish Family Faith Formation Program for children ages 4 through 14 begins on September 10. If you haven’t already done so, it is time to register. Forms can be found on the Holy Ghost web site at www.holyghostparish.org or on the Welcome Center.

For all seeking Baptism, Communion and/or Confirmation or for anyone that wants to learn more about the Catholic faith, classes will begin in the fall. Please sign up now. For more information, contact Nancy Siemers at 630-766-4509 or at: nsiemers@holyghostparish.org. Complete this form and return it to the Faith Formation Office or drop it in the collection basket.

Name:_________________________________________________________________________________________
Address:_____________________________________________________________________________________
Phone:_______________________________________________________________________________________
Email:_______________________________________________________________________________________
Date of Birth:_________________________________________________________________________________

Please circle the sacraments needed:   Baptism    Communion     Confirmation
**DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES**

**BE FORMED SEASON 7: EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**
**REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 11**

At Holy Ghost, we will be offering two opportunities for new Be Formed groups beginning in September:
* Tuesdays at 7pm
* Wednesdays at 1pm

During this second year of the Eucharistic Revival, we are focused on the “Year of the Parish.”

BE FORMED will include opportunities for
* Fellowship
* Prayer
* Scripture
* Weekly content videos to help you gain a deeper understanding of Catholicism
* USCCB Small Group material will be included as it comes available
* Adoration

Please leave a message for Susan at 630-860-3691 or email: stutaj@holyghostparish.org. Let her know the group you prefer, your email and cell phone. She will contact you when registration opens so that you can register for the Holy Ghost group. There is a very minimal charge for the cost of copying the materials for September 10 through December 8. Join us as together we take a deeper look at Holy Eucharist...not only at mass but every day! Join us!!

**AN INVITATION TO WIDOWS**

Several people have asked me if a widow’s group could meet this summer. As a widow myself, I understand that there are many struggles as we each search how to begin a new phase of our life.

I am thinking that the needs of this group could be very broad so I would propose that we meet on Thursday, July 13th at 1pm. I will make the agenda for the first gathering but hopefully the group will discern what form the following gatherings will have. Right now, save Thursdays, July 13th and 27th and August 10th and 24th.

We will meet in Room 9. Please leave me a message that you will be attending at 630-860-3691 or contact me through email: stutaj@holyghostparish.org. I would appreciate it if you would spell your name and leave me your phone and email.

I am looking forward to meeting you.
Susan Tutaj
Coordinator of Discipleship

**CALLED AND GIFTED**

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Called and Gifted is a unique process from the Catherine of Siena Institute. It was developed by Sherry Anne Weddell and operates under the premise that each and every person was gifted with a charism from the Holy Spirit at their Baptism:
* Charisms are not inherited
* They are meant to be given away so they are for others and not for ourselves
* Charisms cannot be used for evil

Called and Gifted meets for 5 sessions. After Session 1, the participants take an online survey which gives each person an idea of what charisms they may have been gifted. At the end of 5 sessions, each participant has a private interview, at their convenience, which assists in the discernment of one’s gift or gifts. With the knowing of your charism comes a call as you discover how God wants to use you in ministry or the secular world. Your charism brings you joy and is always meant to be given away. In using your charism you will find yourself energized and helped to avoid burnout, ineffectiveness and frustration.

I would like to bring Called and Gifted to Holy Ghost but need a small group (5-6) to volunteer to be my first group. I am looking for this group to meet on Thursdays from 7-9pm on July 27; August 3, 10, 17 and 24. If you are interested...even if you can't make all the sessions....please leave me a message at 630-860-3691 or stutaj@holyghostparish.org. I will be in and out of the office on a limited basis but I will return your call or email when I return. Let me know your availability as we may be able to adjust the schedule.....

There will be a cost for the materials as we will need to order them through the Siena Institute. More information will come after the group is formed. Please consider helping me begin this ministry so in the future every parishioner can have the opportunity to find their God-given giftedness. I am looking forward to hearing from you!

Blessings,
Susan Tutaj
Coordinator of Discipleship
Please help: Our food drive is ongoing. Non-perishable canned, boxed and bagged food items may be placed on the shelving unit in the gym. Your continued support is most appreciated.

CALLING PARISH NURSES!
The parish could use your help after Masses with a new quarterly Blood Pressure Screening program to begin in July. If you can help, contact Gina Reckard at ginareckard@gmail.com or 630-536-7427

It's wedding and graduation season!
Are you ready? We are!

Every gift card you purchase from the SCRIP program is money to benefit Holy Ghost at no additional cost to you. We carry hundreds of stores, including VISA gift cards with NO ACTIVATION FEE! http://www.holyghostparish.org/scrip

Questions? Contact Kathy at 630-860-2975 or kgrant@holyghostparish.org

“His mercy is from age to age.” Luke 1:50

PREVIEW THE BIBLE SCHOOL IN OUR DIOCESE!
The acclaimed Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall: Attend in person classes at Visitation Catholic Church in Elmhurst for Year 1 on Mondays 7-9 p.m. OR Zoom in Live Online classes for Year1 on Wednesdays 7-9 p.m. Year 2 in person classes will be held at St. Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield on Tuesdays 7-9 p.m. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective, come and see if this program is for you.

In Person Preview Event in July:
Holy Ghost Church (Wood Dale)
July 24 (Monday) 7-8:30 p.m.

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!

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