



CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH

July 13, 2025

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 8am - 3pm
Closed Friday - Sunday
630-860-2975

Faith Formation Office Hours:

Tues - Thurs 9am - 2pm
630-766-4509

*(Located on the north side of the church
in the Farrell Faith Formation Center)*



• 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**YOU SHALL LOVE
YOUR NEIGHBOR
AS YOURSELF.**

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4 pm Saturday
8 am Sunday
10:30 am Sunday

DAILY MASS

8:30 am Mon-Thurs

FIRST FRIDAY

8:30 am

Parish Membership:

Holy Ghost church welcomes you and your family. Please register by calling, stopping by the office during the week, or download the form from our website and return to the office.

Please join us for **Adoration**

from 7AM to 8AM
before the 8:30AM
weekday morning Mass.



Pray the **Rosary** with us
Monday through Thursday
at 9 AM.

and on Thursday evenings at 7PM

Confessions will be
heard on Saturdays
from 3 to 3:45PM.



Homebound:

If you or someone you know is in need of sacraments of Anointing, Reconciliation or Communion please call the office at 630-860-2975 to schedule a priest visit.

Baptisms:

Parents or guardians are required to attend a baptismal preparation class prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are held on the first and third Saturdays. Please call us to register.

Baptismal prep classes:

Our baptismal preparation classes are held on a Tuesday evening at 7:00pm. **This meeting must be attended before setting the date.** Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

WELCOME

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 12

4PM Mass

+Father Oliver Thomas Walsh

The Parishioners of Holy Ghost Living and Deceased

Sunday, July 13

8AM Mass

+Geri Wietecha

10:30AM Mass

+Larry Mackey



8:30AM Mass

Monday, July 14

+Joseph Meyer

Tuesday, July 15

Health & Blessings for Phil & Maria Yanez on their 63rd Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, July 16

+Tom Trenkmann

Thursday, July 17

+Don Ceckowski

Bulletin Articles:

All articles for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted **at least 10 days before the published Sunday**. This allows time for editing, formatting, and printing. Make sure to plan ahead to meet the deadline and ensure your content is included in the upcoming bulletin! Please email bulletin content for consideration to hgbulletin@holyghostparish.org

Marriages:

It is necessary that all couples desiring to be married at Holy Ghost Church call the parish office to schedule an appointment with a priest at least six months prior to the date of their wedding and **BEFORE** they set a date with a banquet facility. Please call us to register.

Religious Education:

Our Religious Education Program builds and supports informed, practicing, and faith filled families. The program is held on select Sundays from September through April between 9:00-10:15 AM. Families are then encouraged to attend mass together either at 8 AM or at 10:30 AM. Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

Reconciliation and Eucharist:

Instruction for children on these sacraments is currently being offered in the 2nd Grade. It is diocesan policy that a person be in the Faith Formation program for two full years before receiving sacraments. A child needs to be in First Grade Faith Formation to be on track to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in Second Grade. Instruction in these sacraments are part of the Faith Formation (RE) program. Please call us to register. 630-766-4509.

Confirmation:

Youth instruction for the sacrament of Confirmation is currently being administered within the 8th Grade (Parish 8) religion curriculum in the Faith Formation programs. It is diocesan policy that a person be in the Faith Formation program for two full years before receiving sacraments. A child needs to be in Seventh Grade Faith Formation to be on track to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Eighth Grade. For more information contact the (RE) Faith Formation Office at 630-766-4509.

Mass Intention Information \$10 stipend per Mass Intention.

Mass Intention requests, in compliance with the Decree on Mass Stipends, began on January 1, 2016: There will be one intention for a Mass. Mass will be offered for all Parishioners in the Parish on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday, & Holy Days of Obligation.

THANK YOU

for your generosity

**Sunday Collection
June 26—July 2, 2025
\$6,787.22**

YTD Budget thru June 2025
\$573,000

YTD Actual thru June 2025
\$536,671

YTD Difference thru June 2025
-\$36,329



**Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal**

Diocese of Joliet

	2025
Parish Goal	\$58,200
Amount Pledged	\$64,036
Amount Paid	\$52,555
Balance Due	\$11,481
Donors	220
2025 Rebate	\$0

Updated 7/06/2025



Initiation Sacraments for Adults:

Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation Through the parish OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) process, adult candidates (individuals who were baptized and now wish to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church) may receive formation in the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. At the end of the instructional period, all candidates will complete their full initiation into the Church.

Adult Catechumen (individuals who seek to enter into the Catholic faith for the first time) will receive instruction in Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. At the end of the process, all catechumen will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. For more details contact Nancy Siemers at 630-766-4509.



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

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| Domenico Albergo | Ange Mikuls |
| Cathy Alcozer | Robert Pauss |
| Hilde Alt | Gloria Paz |
| Joan Atkins | Lisa Perez |
| Carrie Baran | Laverne Peterson |
| Bianca Marie Borowski | John Pettineo |
| Gaetano Bottalico | Pat Pitello |
| Michael Brann | Linda Plesh |
| Joel Calderone | Rose Powers |
| Ron Catalano | William Powers |
| James Cumo | Joseph Prince |
| John Davis | Elvira Prine |
| Rose Marie Davis | Karen Reedus |
| Ady DeLargarza | Sue Robertson |
| Bernadine DeMichele | Andrew Rosinski |
| Rosalia DiGirolano | John Rossi |
| Ryan Fish | Paul Runyon |
| Tom Franzen | Izzy Santiago |
| Evelyn Hickman | Cindi Shea |
| Michael Hoeing | Wanda Slupik |
| Special Intention | Fred Sobieski |
| Mike Kaiser | Tony Szabelski |
| Sarah Kasab | Jackie Vanjoske |
| Kathy Kennelly | Diamond Vega |
| Paul Kmiecik | James Paul Vega |
| Adam Kocik | Steve Vega |
| Joyce Kordas | Larry Venere |
| Therese Kotecki | Tina Wallace |
| John Kwarcinski | Carol Williams |
| Marilyn Lambros | Blake Wishnow |
| Bill LaPonte | Jordan Jr—Witold Dudziak |
| Steven Leeson | Maria Yanez |
| Donald Lesmeister | Cyndi Zwadlo |
| Noel Lopez | Meg |
| Michael Loss | Meaghan |
| Julie McKay | Paolo |

PRAYER & WORSHIP

July 13, 2025

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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.

Blessings for Phil & Maria Yanez on their 63rd Wedding Anniversary



Please include your choice of date from the list below.

***The following dates are open for donations:**

July 19/20

August 2/3, 9/10, 16/17, 23/24, 30/31

September 6/7

October 11/12, 18/19, 25/26

November 1/2, 8/9, 22/23, 27, 29/30

(*Availability subject to possible change once the bulletin has gone to the printer.)

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 or honor 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.

In Memory of The Jurewicz Family

From the Meyer's Family

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



Is our Military and Prayer List current?

Please email: hgbulletin@holyghostparish.org or call the parish office at 630-860-2975 to help us update this information.

Thank you!

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 Shimanek
1st LT Joshua Jalowiec
SSGT Robert W. Dones
SSGT Timothy Latvis
SRA Randall Petrbock
A1C Ryan Leider
A1C Nicholas Pfeifer

ARMY:
LTC Robert Bowen
LTC Grace Gallagher
CAPT Elizabeth Gonzales
SFC Zack Cieslak
SPC Marco Garcia
SPC David Patcher
CW4 Anderson Mann
CW2 Carlos Contreras
PVT Steven Badgley
PVT Ian Schauchuk

MARINE CORPS:
CAPT Edward W. Miller
SGT Nicholas Reid
SGT Jack Rowley
LCPL Michele Giuseppe Bottalico
LCPL Vincent Anthony Eitman
PVT Cameron Andresen
PVT Gabriel Leon
PVT Billy Termine

NAVY:
LCDR Nicholas Lucania
Ryan James Ruizol





THE INFINITE GRACES OF ATTENDING MASS: Read this over and over and over again.

Why Every Catholic Should Embrace It Fully (with Biblical References)

Attending Mass is one of the greatest spiritual gifts, providing countless benefits for your soul and the souls of others.

Here's an in-depth analysis of these reasons, accompanied by biblical references to highlight their significance:

1. COMFORT AT THE HOUR OF DEATH -At the moment of your death, the Masses you attended with devotion will bring immense comfort. Just as the sacraments prepare you for eternal life, Masses strengthen your soul.
 - *"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me." (Psalm 23:4)*
2. ADVOCATE IN THE DIVINE COURT -Every Mass will serve as an advocate before God's judgment seat, calling for His mercy and forgiveness.
 - *"For Christ entered the Holy Place not made with hands... but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." (Hebrews 9:24)*
3. REDUCTION OF TEMPORAL PUNISHMENTS -Mass helps reduce the temporal punishments due to your sins, especially when you participate fervently.
 - *"But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world." (1 Corinthians 11:31-32)*
4. TRIBUTE TO THE HUMANITY OF CHRIST -Through Mass, you honor Christ's humanity and His sacrifice on the Cross.
 - *"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)*
5. ATONEMENT FOR NEGLIGENCE -Mass compensates for the times you have neglected your spiritual duties.
 - *"For a righteous man falls seven times and rises again, but the wicked stumble in times of calamity."* (Proverbs 24:16)*
6. FORGIVENESS OF VENIAL SINS -By attending Mass with sincere contrition, venial sins are forgiven.
 - *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9)*
7. LIBERATION FROM THE DEVIL'S DOMINION -Each Mass strengthens your soul against the devil's temptations.
 - *"Submit yourselves, therefore, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."* (James 4:7)*
8. AID TO SOULS IN PURGATORY -Your participation in Mass helps the souls in Purgatory find peace and move closer to Heaven.
 - *"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." (2 Maccabees 12:46)*
9. BLESSINGS IN TEMPORAL AFFAIRS -Mass brings blessings not only to your soul but to your daily affairs.
 - *"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."* (Matthew 6:33)*
10. GREATER BENEFIT DURING LIFE THAN AFTER DEATH -A Mass attended during your life will benefit you more than those offered after death.
 - *"Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal."* (Matthew 6:20)*
11. PROTECTION FROM DANGERS AND MISFORTUNES -The grace received during Mass protects you from unforeseen dangers.
 - *"The Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one." (2 Thessalonians 3:3)*



12. SHORTENING OF TIME IN PURGATORY -The Mass can help reduce the time your soul may spend in Purgatory.
- *"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done."* (Matthew 16:27)
13. INCREASE IN HEAVENLY GLORY -Each Mass increases your eternal reward in Heaven.
- *"For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison."* (2 Corinthians 4:17)
14. PROTECTION FROM TRAGIC DEATH -Attending Mass regularly brings God's protection against an untimely or tragic death.
- *"He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."** (Psalm 91:11)
15. PARTICIPATION WITH THE ANGELS -During Mass, you join the angels in worship, even though you cannot see them.
- *"And I heard the voice of many angels... saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!'"* (Revelation 5:11-12)
16. HONOR TO THE SAINTS -When you attend Mass in honor of a saint, you not only honor God but also invoke that saint's protection and intercession.
- *"The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."* (James 5:16)
17. DAILY SAINTLY INTERCESSION -By honoring the Saint of the day, you build a spiritual connection and gain their intercession.
- **"Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"** (Hebrews 1:14)
18. GREATEST GIFT FOR SOULS IN PURGATORY -Mass is the most powerful gift you can offer for the souls in Purgatory, bringing them relief and peace.
- *"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."* (Matthew 5:7)
19. ST. AUGUSTINE ON WORKING FOR YOUR OWN ADVANTAGE -When you pray, give alms, and attend Mass for the souls in Purgatory, you also benefit spiritually.
- *"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap."* (Luke 6:38)
20. MASS FREES SOULS FROM PURGATORY -According to Saint Gregory, many souls are freed from Purgatory when a Mass is offered or attended with devotion.
- *"Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."* (Matthew 18:18)
21. RELIEF FOR SOULS DURING MASS -During Mass, the pains of souls in Purgatory are eased, especially for those for whom the Mass is offered.
- *"I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings."* (Hosea 6:6)
22. PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR PURGATORY -A plenary indulgence can be earned by offering Mass and Communion for the souls in Purgatory, particularly on specific days.
- *"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace."* (Numbers 6:24-26)
23. CHARITY TOWARD SOULS IN PURGATORY -Offering indulgences and Masses for the souls in Purgatory is a profound act of charity.
- *"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."* (Galatians 6:2)
24. THE GREATEST ACT OF WORSHIP -The Holy Mass is a re-presentation of Christ's sacrifice on Calvary and the highest form of worship. It is a must for all Catholics, especially on Sundays.
- *"Do this in remembrance of me."* (Luke 22:19)

CONCLUSION:

The Sacred Duty and Privilege of Attending Mass

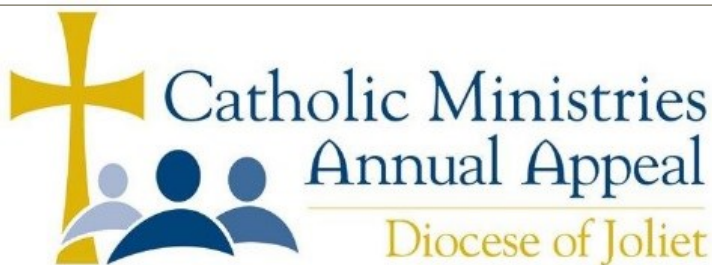
Attending Mass is far more than a ritual obligation. It offers spiritual treasures, deepens your relationship with Christ, and brings eternal blessings.

By embracing Mass fully, Catholics participate in the greatest act of worship and draw closer to God's infinite grace.

EVENTS & MORE

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Your Generosity Makes a Difference

Thanks to faithful parishioners like you, we're supporting ministries that bring Christ to our neighbors in need, proclaim the Gospel, and care for the most vulnerable among us through the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA).

If you haven't yet made your gift to the CMAA, will you join other parishioners in making a real impact today? Every gift, large or small, helps our parish and may even result in a parish rebate.

Please look for the CMAA mailing in your mailbox or visit jolietdioceseappeal.org to learn more and make your gift. Thank you for your faithful generosity!

UPCOMING DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES PROGRAMS (more info to come)

WHEN YOU PRAY (7 weeks)

Monday 10am Room 9 (begins October 6)

"When You Pray: A clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God" meets over 7 weeks and includes a familiar format for those who have been in courses by Edward Sri previously. Included in this study are session summaries, engaging discussion questions, Talk Notes on the videos and short home reading assignments. The 30 minute videos are recorded in Italy by Dr. Sri. They provide comprehensive teaching and commentary on Catholic Prayer.



Joining the Knights of Columbus, you become part of the largest Catholic fraternity in the world, more than 2.1 million members worldwide. As you grow in faith, you are supported by a true brotherhood built on shared values – and on the shared desire to be the men God has called you to be.

Join the Holy Ghost council for even more support from men in your own neighborhood. Call Grand Knight Warren Wawczak 630-487-7925 for more info.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

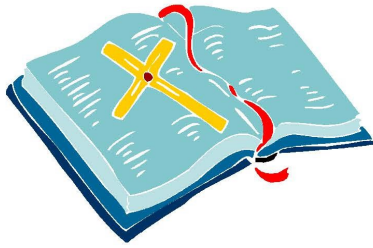


Holy Ghost Family Faith Formation Program for children ages 4 through Parish 8 begins on September 7, 2025. If you haven't already done so, it is time to register. Forms can be found on the Holy Ghost web site at www.HolyGhostparish.org or on the Welcome Center.

Do you know any older teens or adults that want to learn more about the Catholic faith, or may want to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation? If you know anyone needing Baptism, Communion and/or Confirmation have them contact Nancy Siemers at 630-766-4509.



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 kind support is greatly appreciated.



“COME AND SEE”

Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet

PREVIEW EVENTS

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St. Michael's (Wheaton)
June 26 7-8:30 p.m.
August 21 7-8:30 p.m.
September 4 7-8:30 p.m.

Ascension of Our Lord (Oakbrook Terrace)
June 28 9-10:30 a.m.
August 23 9-10:30 a.m.
September 6 9-10:30 a.m.

Christ the King Parish (Lombard)
July 19 9-10:30 a.m.
August 9 9-10:30 a.m.

St. Joseph's Parish (Downers Grove)
July 26 9-10:30 a.m.

St. Irene's Parish (Warrenville)
July 31 7-9:30 p.m.

John the Baptist Parish (Winfield)
August 7 7-9:30 p.m.

St. Pius X Parish (Lombard)
August 30 9-10:30 a.m.

This September, Mayslake Ministries registers for TWO Biblical Institute sites: **St. Michael's Parish** in Wheaton (Year 1) and **Ascension of Our Lord Parish** in Oakbrook Terrace (Year 2).

If you're interested in learning the Bible, but aren't sure if this is the program for you, join us for a BIDJ Preview Night. You'll learn a lot about this great program—and a few things that will help you with Scripture right now. Jesus invited potential disciples to “come and see.” We invite you to “come and see” how BIDJ can help in

- **Learn about** the Catholic approach to Scripture, and how this program uses it.
- **Meet** a BIDJ instructor.
- **Talk to** current BIDJ students.
- **Learn how** this kind of Scripture study can help you grow in your Catholic faith.
- **See** the resources used in this program.
- **Get a feel** for a typical BIDJ class.
- **Ask** your questions about BIDJ and about Bible study in general.

Mayslake Ministries

Engaging Catholics in a Modern World
Celebrating 30 Years

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Phone 630-852-9000 OR 630-698-8961
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- Web site mayslakeministries.org