

CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

TWENTY-FIFTH 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)*

Did you know that Holy Ghost Church has it's own Facebook page?



Follow us to get information on upcoming events and more.



25th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

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



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.

WELCOME

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Saturday, September 20

4PM Mass

+Nancy Cernauske

+Carolyn Krush

Sunday, September 21

8AM Mass

**For the Parishioners of Holy
Ghost Parish Living & Deceased**

+John Santoro

10:30AM Mass

**Deceased members of Scurto/
Tripoli Families**



8:30AM Mass

Monday, September 22

+Ricardo Garcia

Tuesday, September 23

**Health & Blessings for
Josiah Lew**

Wednesday, September 24

+Jacek Lew

Thursday, September 25

+Eugene & Bridget Paulick

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

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 the first Tuesday evening at 7:00pm. **This meeting must be attended before setting the date.** Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

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, Eucharist & Confirmation

Instruction for children on these sacraments is currently being offered within the 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. For more information and to register please 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
September 4—September 10, 2025
\$10,421.10

YTD Budget thru August 2025
\$89,167

YTD Actual thru August 2025
\$80,706

YTD Difference thru August 2025
-\$8,461



	2025
Parish Goal	\$58,200
Amount Pledged	\$65,481
Amount Paid	\$59,635
Balance Due	\$5,846
Donors	224
2025 Rebate	\$1,005

Updated 9/14/2025

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION



Holy Ghost Family Faith Formation

Holy Ghost Family Faith Formation Program for children ages 4 through Parish 8 **began on September 7, 2025**. Its not too late 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.



PRAYER & WORSHIP

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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:

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LT COL Patty Calabrese
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PVT Gabriel Leon
PVT Billy Termine

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Ryan James Ruizol

Micah Casey

Therese Kotecki

Cindi Shea

And for those listed in our parish book of prayers.

Military and Prayer List

Please email: hgbulletin@holyghostparish.org
or call the parish office at 630-860-2975
to add or remove a name from the list.
Thank you!



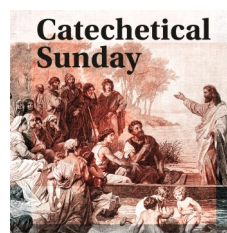
We welcome

Matteo Anthony Grandori

who was recently baptized into the family of God and into the faith community of Holy Ghost.

Please pray for him and his family.

Dear Lord,
Anoint those who serve as catechists, those who tell your story of determined love for your people. Be with our catechists in their classrooms, inspire the hearts of those in their care, ignite a new generation of disciples for you! Amen.



Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

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 Cheryl Nelson Schultz

From Tina DiCapua

Please include your choice of date from the list below.

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

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

December 6/7, 27/28

January 2026 3/4, 10/11, 17/18, 24/25, 31/1

(*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 Joey Albergo

From Mom and Dad

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



GOD'S TIME VS. HUMAN TIME:

Understanding Divine Timelessness as Catholics
In Catholic theology, God's time, often referred to as "Kairos" (a Greek term for "the appointed time" or "God's time"), is different from human time, or "Chronos" (the linear, measurable time we experience).

God's time transcends the constraints of past, present, and future that define our human experience.

It reflects the eternal, all-encompassing perspective of God, where all moments are present to Him simultaneously. Understanding God's time as Catholics invites us to trust in His perfect timing, wisdom, and providence.

Here's an in-depth look at what this concept means for Catholics:

1. GOD'S ETERNITY AND TIMELESSNESS

From a Catholic perspective, God is eternal—He exists outside of time. While humans live in a world governed by chronological time (past, present, future), God's existence is beyond this.

God is not bound by the sequential unfolding of events. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the ****Beginning and the End**** (Revelation 22:13).

In Catholic theology, this means that all time is present to God at once.

St. Augustine famously pondered this in his "Confessions," where he described how God created time itself and thus is not subject to it.

For God, time is not linear, and He can see all of history—from creation to the end of the world—in one eternal moment.

- Example: Think of time like a vast tapestry. While humans experience time as moving from one thread to the next, God sees the whole tapestry in one glance.

He sees our past, present, and future all at once, without being limited by them.

2. KAIROS VS. CHRONOS:

Divine Time and Human Time

Catholic tradition distinguishes between Chronos and Kairos to better understand how God interacts with time:

- Chronos is the measurable time of minutes, hours, and days, the way humans experience the passage of life.

It's the ticking of the clock, the deadlines, and the milestones that define our human existence.

- Kairos, on the other hand, refers to God's opportune time, the right or appointed moment in God's eternal plan.

Kairos is the moment when God breaks into human time and space, acting in our lives in significant and transformative ways.

These moments are not bound by human schedules or expectations but happen according to God's perfect wisdom.

- Example: The Incarnation of Christ is an example of

Kairos. Galatians 4:4 says, "When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son."

This "fullness of time" is Kairos—God's appointed moment when Christ entered human history to bring salvation.



3. TRUSTING IN GOD'S TIMING

One of the most challenging aspects of faith is trusting in God's timing, especially when it doesn't align with our expectations. Catholics are encouraged to cultivate patience and trust, recognizing that God's plan unfolds according to His perfect schedule, not ours.

- God's Delays Are Not Denials:

Often, what seems like a delay from our perspective may be part of a larger plan that we cannot yet see. Scripture is full of examples where individuals had to wait on God's timing:

- Abraham and Sarah had to wait many years before God fulfilled His promise of a child, even though it seemed impossible because of their old age (Genesis 21).

- Moses wandered in the desert for 40 years before leading the Israelites to the Promised Land (Deuteronomy 1:3). God used that time to form and purify His people.

These examples remind Catholics that God's plan, even when it seems slow or mysterious, is always for our ultimate good.

As it says in Ecclesiastes 3:11, "He has made everything beautiful in its time."

4. THE SACRAMENTALITY OF TIME

Catholics understand that time is sacramental—meaning that God sanctifies time through sacred moments, especially through the sacraments.

Every time we participate in the sacraments, God's grace enters human time, allowing us to experience eternal realities in the present.

- The Eucharist:

At each Mass, the sacrifice of Christ, which occurred once in time, is made present again.

In the Eucharist, God transcends time, and we are invited to participate in the one eternal sacrifice of Jesus.

- Baptism:

Baptism is not merely an event that occurred in the past, but a continual reality that marks our identity as children of God.

Even though it happens in Chronos, it places us in God's eternal Kairos, where we are forever connected to His divine plan of salvation.

Through the sacraments, Catholics experience the intersection of time and eternity, where God's grace flows into our daily lives.

5. LIVING WITH A SENSE OF ETERNITY

Catholics are called to live with a sense of eternity, knowing that life on earth is temporary and that we are destined for eternal life with God.

This means that while we live in the present, we are also

oriented toward the future reality of Heaven.

- Eschatological Hope:

Catholics believe in the Second Coming of Christ and the final fulfillment of God's plan at the end of time. Living with this hope shapes how Catholics view their lives. The present is seen as a time of preparation and cooperation with God's grace so that we may one day enter into the fullness of eternal life.

- Example: The parable of the Ten Virgins (Matthew 25:1-13) teaches the importance of being ready for God's timing.

The wise virgins who kept their lamps lit were prepared for the arrival of the bridegroom, symbolizing the need to stay vigilant and prepared for God's unexpected arrival in our lives, whether in small ways or at the end of time.

6. APPLYING GOD'S TIME IN DAILY LIFE

In daily life, Catholics are encouraged to embrace God's time by practicing:

- Patience:

In a world that prioritizes speed and immediate gratification, Catholics are called to trust that God's timing is always perfect.

This requires patience, especially when waiting for answers to prayers, healing, or clarity in life's decisions.

- Discernment:

Discerning God's will involves understanding His timing. This is why prayer, reflection, and seeking spiritual guidance are important practices.

Catholics believe that through prayer, God reveals His timing and His plans for us.

- Living in the Present Moment:

While trusting in God's future promises, Catholics are also called to ****live fully in the present****.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, known for her "Little Way," emphasized the importance of doing small things with great love, reminding Catholics that the present moment is where we encounter God's grace.

7. CONCLUSION:

Cooperating with God's Eternal Plan

God's time, from a Catholic perspective, calls for trust, patience, and an openness to His divine providence.

While we live in Chronos—a world of minutes, deadlines, and measurable time—Catholics are invited to live with an awareness of Kairos, where God's eternal plan is always unfolding in perfect wisdom.

By embracing the sacramentality of time, trusting in His timing, and living with a sense of eternity, Catholics can navigate life with greater peace and hope, knowing that God's time is always the right time.



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DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES



DISCOVERING CHRIST: This course begins between our two Sunday Masses next week on September 21st at 9am in Gym. If you missed the previous sessions or want to attend again to glean even more information, please register on the parish website

(holyghostparish.org); click on SIGNUPGENIUS and select this course. All we need is your name, email and cell phone to sign up. If you need help in signing up, please call Theresa: 630-766-4508 and she would be glad to help you.

We are offering this course between the masses to make it easier for you to attend before or after mass. Donuts and coffee will be available at each session. Be sure to register so we have enough materials.

CARING CONNECTIONS is our grief support group. We will meet over refreshments on Monday, October 6 at 1pm in Room 9. (please park outside door #12)

Please come and meet us and help us to plan our year to best serve YOU! Please leave a message with Susan: 630-860-3691 if you plan to attend. It will be good to gather again!

FALL COURSES: Last call to register for any of our courses beginning the first week of October. 9 weeks of classes: Biblical Walk Through Mass; When We Pray; Jesus, The Way, the Truth and the Life; The Rescue Project. All their descriptions are on our parish website under SIGNUPGENIUS. If your need more information, please call Susan. Going to miss some weeks? Sign up anyway as the books and videos are rich in content.

Susan Tutaj, Coordinator of Discipleship
stutaj@holyghostparish.org 630-860-3691



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Please join Pope Leo in praying his September 2025 intention:
Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A ROSARY RALLY
IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 11, 2025
9AM
HOLY GHOST CHURCH
SOUTH DOORS

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OF FATIMA HAS ASKED US TO
PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY.

**A Big Thank you from Caring Network
to the Parishioners of Holy Ghost**

ON BEHALF OF THE MOMS AND BABIES SERVED BY CARING NETWORK, WE THANK ALL THE PARISHIONERS WHO CONTRIBUTED SO GENEROUSLY TO THE RECENT BABY SHOWER HOSTED BY THE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN AND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. THE UNBELIEVABLE SUPPLY OF DIAPERS, WIPES, SUPPLIES AND CLOTHING, PLUS CASH AND CHECKS TOTALING \$755 THAT WERE DONATED, WILL GO A LONG WAY IN PROVIDING FOR THE NEEDS OF THE MOMS WE SERVE WHO CHOSE LIFE FOR THEIR BABIES!

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The word "catechesis" means "to echo." Literally, we are to echo the good news of Jesus Christ to the world. This is not a suggestion; it is a command of our Lord. Some people are called and set apart in our communities as catechists, those formally trained and charged with passing on the Gospel to children and adults, inside and outside of our communities. On Catechetical Sunday, we acknowledge them and remind ourselves of the need for formation and growth in all of us. To be a catechist is a privileged calling, and today be sure to say "thank you" to one in your community.

However, it would be wrong on this day to only look to those bearing the NAME of catechist for an echoing of good news. ALL of us are called to echo and share the Gospel message. Parents are the first and primary catechists in a child's life. But we also are important catechists in the lives of our coworkers, our spouses, our relatives, and our friends. Some say catechesis begins in the home, and while that is true, it carries with it a parent/child connotation. But where does catechesis really begin? It begins in the HEART. This year on Catechetical Sunday, may your heart be moved to motivate you to share with others the good news of Jesus Christ.

Blessing of Catechists

Jesus, on the road to Emmaus,
your followers were frightened and alone;
you had just been put to death on a cross.
They met a man on the road leading away from Jerusalem
who told them all about you
and what your presence among them meant.
They did not realize that the man
speaking and walking with them was you,
raised from the dead.
When their eyes were opened and they received the gift of faith,
they turned around to spread the word.

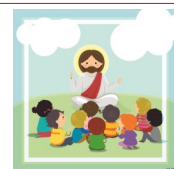
We ask you to bless all your disciples
who now work as catechists in our parishes.
Bless them and give encouragement to their work,
that it will have an impact upon the world.
We ask all this in your name, Jesus,
our companion on the road from Emmaus.
Amen.



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.

Children's Bulletins Weekly Children's Bulletins, containing pictures, puzzles and information about the Sunday Scriptures are available at the welcome center. Children are welcome to take them home each week and Grandparents are invited to pick them up for their grandchildren.



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Join us for the
Diocese of Joliet

JUBILEE MASS FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY

Pilgrims of Hope

Saturday, October 4, 2025

11:00 AM

Cathedral of St. Raymond

604 N Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL

RSVP by scanning the
QR code or by calling
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Questions? Call Jim Elias 815-221-6134