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## 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“No servant can serve two masters.”  
- Lk 16:13

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are called to be Disciples of Christ who center our lives in the Eucharist and see the truth through Scripture and Tradition. Together we aspire to transform our lives into the virtues of faith, hope, and charity.

**SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

**25TH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Anticipatory | 4:00pm, 6:00pm  
Sunday | 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

### WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Friday | 8:00am

### CONFESSION

Saturday | 3:30pm, 5:30pm  
Other | By Appointment

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1st Friday | 7:30am

### INFANT BAPTISM, SACRAMENTAL & MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS, OCIA, FUNERAL

Please call the Parish Office at  
303-744-1715 to make arrangements.

### SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES

Call 720-515-6279

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday | 9:00am - 2:00pm

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### Observances for the week of September 21, 2025

Sunday: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday  
Monday: National Migration Week  
Tuesday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest  
Wednesday:  
Thursday:  
Friday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs  
Saturday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest  
Next Sunday: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday



*"Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless. Our Merciful Lord will listen to your prayer."*  
-St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)-

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 20</b>
4:00pm	† Patsy Cox
6:00pm	Monica Harris
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 21</b>
7:00am	† Geraldine Serreze
8:30am	Our Parish Family
10:00am	† Roberto Rodriguez
12:00pm	The Bartlett Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 22</b>
8:00am	Elizabeth Williams
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 23</b>
8:00am	† Joe Zoleta
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 24</b>
8:00am	† Erlinda Andrada
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 25</b>
8:00am	† Maria Anna Vuong
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 26</b>
8:00am	Anna Anh Phung

### Leave a Legacy of Faith

When preparing or updating your will, please remember Mother of God Church. Your gift will help ensure our mission endures.

### GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke 16:10-13 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Before I was a priest, I was a lazy worker for a retail Apple store. Hearing a rumor that my boss was going to fire me, I secretly sold iPhones for half-price, gave away dozens of free iPads, and donated several brand-new laptops to managers in other stores in the mall. After a week, my boss called me into his office. He knew what I was up to. He said I had cost the store thousands of dollars. "Really great work, John," he said. "I am going to recommend you to be my assistant manager and double your pay." I was amazed.

And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the "master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently" (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us?

Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he wants us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

— Father John Muir ©LPi

### PRAYER INTENTIONS



#### Please pray for our beloved sick:

McKenna Barber, Jennie Blakeney, Lily Chavez, Jane Hakala, Lynn Holmes, Gabrielle Klimek, Carol Kowalski, Marilyn Krajicek, Susan Loretan, Declan Malley, Maria McDermott, Helen Nguyen, Tien Nguyen, Gina Pavlakovich, Mai Phung, John Price, Carol Prybyloski, Karen Richards, and Elizabeth Williams.

### Welcome New Parishioners

If you are new to our parish and have not yet registered, please register on our website at [motherofgoddenver.com](http://motherofgoddenver.com) or visit the parish office during the week.

### The Pope's Prayer Intention for September For our relationship with all of creation

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.

### Sack Lunch Distribution

Monday - Friday | 11am - 12:30pm (exclude holidays)



## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

### Special Collection for Gaza

**This Weekend, September 20th & 21st**

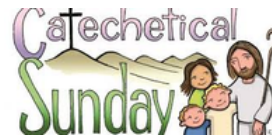
At the request of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, parishes across the country are uniting in support of our suffering brothers and sisters in Gaza who are victims of violence. Here in the Archdiocese of Denver, all parishes will be taking up this special second collection at Masses this weekend. If you wish to contribute by check, please make it payable to Mother of God Parish and write "Victims of Violence in Gaza" in the memo line. Your generosity will bring hope and relief to those enduring grave hardship, and we entrust them to the care of Our Lady, Queen of Peace.

### Volunteers Needed for Healing Ministry

The Healing Ministry Team is in need of volunteers to assist in prayer, visitation, and administering the Holy Eucharist. Mother of God's Healing Ministry provides a personal "love of Jesus Christ" outreach to those parishioners who are physically unable to attend and participate in the Holy Mass and receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Connie Sperberg: [cmsperberg@yahoo.com](mailto:cmsperberg@yahoo.com)

### Request a Mass Intention

Mass requests are available for the month of October thru 2026. Offering a Mass for a loved one, living or deceased, is a most loving and powerful gift. To request a Mass intention, call or email the Parish Office, or fill out a Mass intention card available by the church doors. A donation of \$10 is suggested per Mass intention.



**September 21, 2025**

### Prayers for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgment about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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The Fall campaign for the 40 Days for Life will run from **September 24<sup>th</sup> to November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The 40 Days for Life is a focused time of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion and for a culture that respects the sanctity of all human life. This international movement has helped countless women and saved the lives of over 23,000 babies.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### Friends of the Poor WALK

**Saturday, Sept. 27th**

Registration | 8 - 9am | Walk Starts at 9:15am  
1.5 Mile Easy Walk | Refreshments Provided

**Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church**  
**900 W. Midway Blvd., Broomfield, CO**

Register & Donate Online at:

<https://svdpden.org/ways-help/friends-poor-walk>

Hosted by Nativity of Our Lord St. Vincent de Paul Conference and Denver Metro SVdp Council

### Women's Nights and Retreats at Sisters of Life Convent

The Sisters of Life invite women to upcoming Women's Nights, Revive Days, and weekend retreats in Denver throughout fall 2025 and spring 2026. An event for women (ages 18-35) to join the Sisters of Life for dinner at their convent, followed by a talk and Holy Hour with music by the Sisters, ending with dessert and a hymn to Our Lady. Gather for prayer, talks, and community at St. Mary Magdalene Convent. Learn more at: [sistersoflife.org/where-we-are/denver/](https://sistersoflife.org/where-we-are/denver/)

### 2025 Denver Marian Conference

**Friday, October 3 – Saturday, October 4, 2025**

Colorado Convention Center

700 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Denver, CO. 80202

**Conference Speakers:** Fr. Chris Alar, MIC | Fr. Bill Casey, CPM | Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers | Very Reverend Joseph Tran, VF | Fr. Francisco (Frank) Garcia - Emcee

For more information, log onto :

[www.DenverMarianConference.com](http://www.DenverMarianConference.com) or call (303) 422-8621.

### Catholic Women's Conference of Denver: "Restored"

**October 11, 2025** | 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Legacy Campus

10035 S. Peoria Street | Lone Tree, CO

Tickets are \$85. Registration is now open at: [denvercatholicconference.com](https://denvercatholicconference.com)

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