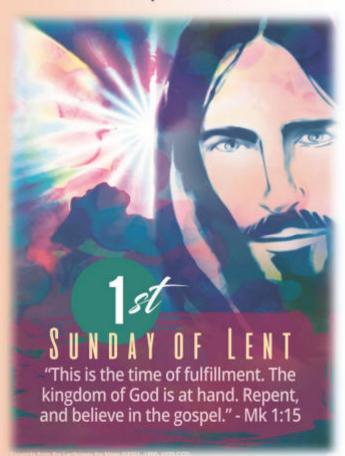
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#### Parish Office Hours

Monday and Thursday: 8:30 AM to 5 PM Tuesday and Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 8 PM Friday: 8:30 AM to 3 PM Closed each day from noon to 1 PM The church is open during all office hours.

#### Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday: 9 AM\* Saturday: 5 PM\* Sunday: 7:00, 8:30\*,10:30\* AM, 12:15 & 5 PM \* indicates live streamed

#### Confessions

Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM outside of the chapel

### Fr. Chris' Catholic Cultural Corner

#### THE LOOK OF LENT

If we have done our job correctly, you should notice some environmental differences as we move into the Lenten season in our Church. In essence, the whole Church goes on retreat for the forty days of Lent. Within the church community, two groups embark on their Lenten journey: the catechumens who are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter and those already baptized who are preparing to renew their baptismal identity at the same time. The liturgical environment for the season finds its inspiration in this spiritual character of the Church's tradition.

Because of the focus on the journey to Easter and its baptismal focus, the Baptismal font becomes a source of reflection during this season. The flowing waters hearken us back to

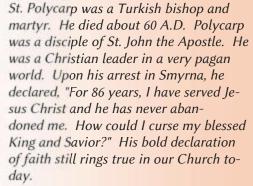
Jesus' own baptism in the Jordan. Our humble baptisms impart our identity as children of God, claimed by Him as His own. This ongoing reality is a source of consolation and strength for us throughout our lives, and especially during the Lenten season. We are happy that we can return to the use of the Baptismal font as a source of blessing for the people as they enter and exit church.

Environmentally, Lenten decoration also

calls us to the desert time of Lent. The decorations are simple, not ornate. The altar is simply dressed, and the plants (no flowers) are kept to a minimum. Purple is the dominant color, because of purple's place as a color of mourning, sadness and penitence. This is reflective of the season's spiritual call.Music will also be adapted during the season. There is no Gloria sung, the Mass parts are in the traditional Latin "chant" form, and there is more instrumental music. Instrumentation (i.e. drums, guitars, etc) are also kept to a minimum.

One note is that Fr. Chris and Myles, our Music Director will have a Catholic Conversations night on Feb. 24 at 6:00pm focusing on the season of Lent and it's music. Please join us for

SAINT OF THE WEEK: St. Polycarp (Feb. 23)





#### Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant. (Ps 25)

## **9Health** There will not be a 9Health Fair at Spirit of Christ this spring 2021.

Screenings will be offered at local Qwest Diagnostic Patient Service Centers in our communities. It is a great alternative option and a Qwest Center is located in the Safeway right across the street from Spirit of Christ. Please visit the 9Health Fair webpage for information about screenings (appointments are required)

www.9healthfair.org. We want to thank our volunteers who worked so hard to make the Spirit of Christ location a success year after year. We will miss working together this year! - The Spirit of Christ 9Health Fair Leadership Team



All boys grades 4-9 are invited to join Fr. Adam for a Day of Prayer February 27 from 10 AM to 1 PM. There is no cost, but you must register at spiritofchrist.org. Pray, celebrate Mass, learn about the life and ministry of a priest and ask questions.

Please note the purple books on the counter are for the children. They are not the same as the little black books.

#### **Public Mass options at SOC**

- 1. Attend weekend Mass inside here at SOC. See Mass times on the front of this bulletin. No signup needed.
- 2. Watch Sat. 5 PM, Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 AM Mass from your device. They are on YouTube or go to spiritofchrist.org and click on "Mass videos." Communion car line is available at these Masses, weather permitting.
- 3. Daily Mass. No sign up needed. It is also live streamed at 9 AM every weekday.

Please refer to <u>ArchDen.org/Coronavirus</u> for Archdiocese guidelines and resources concerning COVID-19.

#### Many thanks to

each one of you who supported the blood drive last Sunday. Vitalant was able to collect 83 units of blood! Your donation is truly a blessing to those in need!



#### **Christian Formation**

Catholic Conversations are in the church every Wednesday from 6 PM to 7:15 PM. Please join us in person or if you join the Catholic Conversations group in Flocknote, then you will be emailed a link to watch the live stream.

**Great Adventure Bible Study** will accept registrations for the class "No Greater Live" until February 22. The class starts March 9 and we need to order the materials. Register online at spiritofchrist.org.

**LBC** is now meeting again at the following Sunday Masses: 8:30, 10:30, and 12:15. 3 year olds to 3rd Graders will be dismissed from Mass. Contact Bev at bsmith@spiritofchrist.org for any questions.

Doing a Bible study or interested in learning more about the Bible? We have Fr. Adam's recommendation "Walking With God" by Tim Gray. You can also learn about the bible with Jimmy Akin's "The Bible is a Catholic Book" and from Catholic Answers, "The Bible", and "Bible Difficulties".

We are practicing Covid-19 sanitation procedures for library materials following Jeffco Libraries.

They will open on Monday, Tuesday and Fridays from 10 AM to 11:30 AM. All areas of the library will be open and



check outs are available.

Our Gift Nook is open, Missals, candles, gifts and more. They also offer an online order process which is on our website, https://spiritofchrist.org. They will be open February 21 from 9:30-11:30 AM for shopping or order pickup.

#### LITURGY

#### 1st Sunday of Lent - Feb. 21

First Reading:Genesis 9: 8-15

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading:First Peter 3: 18-22

Gospel:Mark 1: 12-15

#### 2nd Sunday of Lent - Feb. 28

First Reading:Genesis 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Responsorial Psalm:Psalms 116: 10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 Second Reading:Romans 8: 31b-34 Gospel:Mark 9: 2-10

#### First Sunday of Lent

Many years ago I was hospitalized several times over the course of five months. Probably the most visceral memory I have of that terrible time is of a recurring dream. The Greeks had it right when they named "Morpheus" (morphine) the god of dreams. If you've ever spent a length of time on morphine I'll bet you've had some awful dreams too.

In this dream I was on an escalator, going down, down. There was no escape, no hope. I remember thinking how odd it was that everyone was on the escalator, everyone was doomed to an eternity of going down without any glimpse of sky or light, and yet we all kept pretending that we didn't realize this.

Through the grace of God and the strength of the prayers of hundreds of people, I recovered. And over time the dream lost its power, so much so that, nearly fourteen years later, I have to work to remember it at all.

But when I think of the Great Flood, the terrible waters covering the earth and all that dwelt upon it, I remember that feeling of going down, down. A catastrophic flood is related in several ancient texts. There seems to be, lodged in our universal collective unconscious, a sense that we are traveling down, down, without hope of rescue.

But, stronger than death, Rescue did arrive, and even the torments of Satan couldn't keep him from us. Such is the fierce love of Jesus. The early Christians imaged the Church as a boat on high seas, keeping us up, up. Jesus commands that boat, of course. Grab on that boat. Grab on to Jesus. He will raise you up.

How will you cling to Jesus this Lent as you exercise a new discipline?

Kathy McGovern @2021

**Plant care volunteers needed** - Do you have experience in caring for indoor plants? The indoor plant ministry would

love to have your help caring for the plants at Spirit of Christ. Please contact Barbara Cox –

barbaracox715@comcast.net or Janette – janette@spiritofchrist.org for information.





(Please note: These are subject to change)

#### Saturday, February 20

5:00 PM The People of SOC

Sunday, February 21

7:00 AM Donald Schaaf +
8:30 AM Mathilde Egetenmeier +

10:30 AM Robert Brennan + 12:15 PM Leroy Cessar +

5:00 PM Otto Staack & Geri Staack-Herling

Monday, February 22

9:00 AM Judy Hoelting +

Tuesday

9:00 AM Art & Verna Gruber ++

Wednesday

9:00 AM Dorothy Boyce +

Dennis Fisher +

**Thursday** 

9:00 AM Harvey Williams +

**Friday** 

9:00 AM For those whose funerals or

burials were held at SOC this month

+ indicates deceased

### Please Pray for Those Who Have Died

Carolyn Schiele, wife of Carl Bernadette Lovato, niece of Skip and Phyllis Telgenhoff

Marie Nuce, mother of Donna Nuce-Geron and Ed Geron, grandmother of Maria Jones

Kathy Miller, mother of Joseph Walker Marti Martinez, friend of Cheryl Ford

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is
Mon-Thurs from 9:30 AM - noon.
Friday 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM in the chapel. No sign
up is necessary, but if you can commit each
week, then go to spiritofchrist.org and click Adoration signup. We like to have 2 people at all
times.

Our Prayer List for the Sick and the Military are both online at www.spiritofchrist.org. under *Prayer Intentions* and on the altar for the priest's intentions. Contact the office for additions.

#### OUTREACH - Your Stewardship (time, talent, treasure) In Action

#### STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TITHE

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#### Mission Arvada of The Rising Church

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-The goals of the church and Mission Arvada are to help the poor, the homeless, the forgotten and marginalized, and those struggling with hurts, habits, and hang-ups, and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with them. The grant will be used for Homeless Day Shelter and The Rising Food bank programs.

## Blankets For Babies

Blankets for Babies: We will not meet in February. We pray you are all well and hope to be able to meet in May. If you have completed items, you may leave them at church and we will take them to Birthline.

There are many great **outreach opportunities**. If you would like to see other ministries here at SOC, then look on our website under ministries or call Silvia in the office. https://spiritofchrist.org/ministries.html silvia@spiritofchrist.org

**Fair Trade,** "Every time you spend money, you are casting a vote for the kind of world you want." Anna Lappe Support Fair Trade which promotes alternative trade supply chains. February orders already placed by the 15th will be ready for pick up on February 27th, 9-1pm. The order form is found on our website, spiritofchrist.org (The pick up area is always on the south side of the church by the door to the classrooms.) Thanks for your support.

Tax Statements from SOC Please contact George by email at gketchel@spiritofchrist.org if you have not been able to view your donation statement for 2020 or if it is inaccurate. The statements were delayed from us and we want to make sure your info is accurate. Thank you.

#### **COMMUNITY Table**

The "Table" serves northern Jefferson County. Beyond food, we offer programs to stabilize lives and provide a hand up. Please continue to support our efforts by dropping food off in the Gathering Space during office hours or before Mass.



Items Most Needed: Canned fruit (pears, apple sauce, pineapple, fruit cocktail), peanut butter, pinto beans, cold cereal, spaghetti and pasta, baking items (flour, sugar, cake mix), personal care items (soap, body wash, shampoo)

Thank you for all the donations that have continued to come in from SOC. Community Table is most appreciative.

The Spring 40 Days for Life campaign runs Wednesday, February 17th through Sunday, March 28th. Come join us for this peaceful vigil of prayer across the street from Planned Parenthood. All CDC guidelines will be followed and there is plenty of space for social distancing. You may also sign up for private prayer in your home. Spirit of Christ has again adopted 2 days this campaign: Friday, March 5th and Saturday, March 27th. Father Adam will be joining us to celebrate Mass at noon on the 5th and at 11am on the 27th. You may sign up at 40daysforlife.com/denver or for assistance contact socrespectlife@gmail.com and we'd be happy to help.

""He cured many who were sick with various diseases." Is your marriage suffering from lack of communication or kindnesses? Are you looking for a way to bring your marriage back to its fullness. Jesus can cure all! The next virtual **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** from the safety of your home are:

2021 Virtual: April 23-25, June 11-13

For couples who cannot take a whole weekend: Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings from March 2 through - April 20th

2021 Durango or Dillon Sept. 17-19: Colorado Springs, Nov. 5-7

For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, feel free to contact:

Brenda & Gary Granger: 720-213-8833

Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more information about World Wide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org.

Follow us on Instagram! @wwmeColorado

### Fellowship and Support Ministries

#### **SOC Divorce Ministry**



Divorce and separations are increasing as a result of the ongoing pandemic, however, we want you to know that you do not have to bear this cross alone. Even if you've been divorced for years and are struggling, feel free to reach out to us. Please send us an email and we will respond as soon as possible. dcncharleshahn@gmail.com

Creighton FertilityCare and NFP offered virtually at SOC: Creighton Model FertilityCare System and Napro Technology is a reproductive science used to educate women/couples to understand, respect, and appreciate their bodies. It can help women of any age from adolescence to pre-menopause. All sessions currently offered via Zoom. If you have questions, please contact Juliette, Juliette.FCP@gmail.com, 303-884-8751. For more info on the Creighton Model, you can also visit creightonmodel.com, and/or naprotechnology.com.

YOUNG AT HEART MASS: We are starting our Young At Heart Mass again, once each month! First one will be Tuesday, February 23, at 11 AM. Remember, social distancing and wear your mask, even if you have had your vaccination shots."

"If today, you hear God's voice, harden not your heart." (Hebrew 3:15)

Have you ever wondered whether God is calling you to become a Sister or do you want to know more about consecrated life? The Dominican Sisters of Peace are offering a free weekend Virtual Discernment retreat, March 12-14, 2021 for single Catholic women ages 18-45. You can register at oppeace.org.

For more information, contact Sr. Maidung Nguyen, OP at 405-248-7027 or mdnguyen@oppeace.org



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Please join Magnificat Moms on Wednesday, February 24th from 9:15-11:15 in Spirit Center West for a talk & discussion on Lent and preparing for the resurrection by Richard Deanda. He will also be displaying his new replica of the Shroud of Turin. Childcare is provided and RSVPing is required. Email Jess for more info: jessica.l.fesl@gmail.com

#### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS**

Congratulations to our:
Knight of the Month - Tony Tilger
Family of the Month Richard/Stephanie Deanda

Planning Meeting 3/4 7pm, All Knights welcome Business Meeting 3/11 7pm Rosary, 7:30 Meeting Please attend we need your input and help! Knights to Christ Retreat 2/20 1pm John XXIII room Look to Flocknotes for details on all activities Lenten Food Drive 3/20, 3/21 before and after all Masses

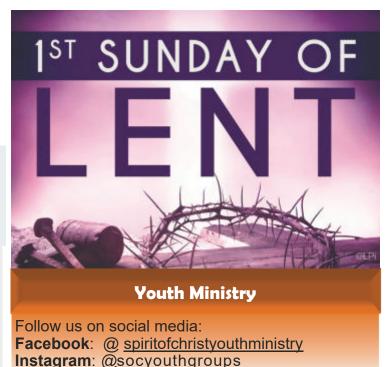
Please check kofc12979.org for more info about our council. To join the Knights go to kofc.org and click on JOIN

Council 12979 information and activities with be distributed weekly via flocknote.

You may signup for the Knights of Columbus flocknote at https://spiritofchrist.flocknote.com/

Questions? contact Randy Weinert at erand@mac.com If you know of a sick or injured Knight please contact the Grand Knight at GK@KofC12979.org Visit our council web page at kofc12979.org

**ANAWIM Ministry** Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning support ministry for SOC members, families and friends. Please contact Ralph at <a href="mailto:rreschkejr@q.com">rreschkejr@q.com</a> or 303-425-9995 for any questions.



Twitter: @SOCYouthGroups



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#### Interested in our Parish?

If you are new to our parish (or have been here awhile but never registered), please stop by the welcome table or spiritofchrist.org to register or to find information about our amazing parish.

Bulletin considerations should be sent to phayes@spiritofchrist.org. Submissions are due Monday at 9 AM with the exception of holidays and then they are due ten days before. Thank you! Please let me know any of your bulletin needs.



#### Sacramental Information

Sacrament of Confession: Sat. from 3:30-4:45 PM. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Parents wishing to have a child baptized call Deacon A.J. 303-867-9163. Please allow 4-6 months.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please allow 10-12 months for preparation. Call the parish office. Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office if someone is ill or hospitalized and would like to be anointed, or if you would like to make arrangements to come into the office or to a daily Mass to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

For sacramental emergencies outside parish office hours, please call the parish office and follow the message instructions to be forwarded to the appropriate person.



#### Welcome to our newly baptized:

Lydia Ann McCune **Maximilian Peter Fesl** Gianna Melody Valdez

**Lenten Gift** Examining our lives during this season of Lent can also include planning to care for our family. Making a Will is an essential part of that plan and The Catholic Foundation is here to help you understand the advantages of creating a Will and how you can give it a way to do greater good through a bequest to The Foundation for the benefit of our parish fund.

Please give Deacon Steve, Lisa or Joshua a call at 303-468-9885 or visit www.TheCatholicFoundation.com for more information.



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