



# *Ministries*

*Welcome*

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*2022-2023*



## **Our Stewardship Statement**

**We**, the family of Spirit of Christ Catholic Community, believe stewardship is our grateful and obedient response to God's redeeming love. We recognize that all creation is placed in our trust by God. We acknowledge that our ability to respond faithfully to God's love is empowered by the Holy Spirit. Stewardship requires responsible return to God from our resources of time, talent and treasure. We further acknowledge that we are called to live out this response individually and in community.

We, the Funding Committee of Outreach, through prayerful discernment, believe our responsibility and accountability for the distribution of the parish tithes is based on furthering Catholic values and empowering people to meet their most basic needs. Our charitable giving is focused on providing direct support to promote, nurture and sustain the spiritual, physical, mental, emotional well-being of the people. Percentage distribution of the parish tithes is 15% of the Parish Offertory.

We rely on the gifts of the offertory to fund the programs for our parish family. Any fees charged by our ministries for programs or tickets sold for parish sponsored events are to cover the cost of the program materials or the cost of the event only, with no profit margin. What we do with the 15% from your tithes:

- provide emergency financial support to our parishioners in need
- Allocate and distribute funds to the Second Collections
- Fund our Outreach ministries (see back page)
- Through the grant process and vetting, give funds to sustainable non-profit organizations.



**TIME · TALENT · TREASURE**

## Welcome Ministries

All are welcome to the Eucharistic Table and the community.

**Name Tags** are provided during special Masses to provide an opportunity to get to know those worshipping around you. Volunteers commit 10 minutes before and after Mass to help pass out and clean up nametags and markers.

**Welcoming Calls** are made to every newly registered parishioner to help them feel welcomed within our community. Volunteer callers are responsible for calling a few families from the comfort of their own homes.

**The Welcome Table** is staffed by volunteers before and after Mass to welcome visitors and new members. Volunteers answer questions and direct individuals to appropriate ministries. To help, share your love for Spirit of Christ by staffing the table.

**New Parishioner Dinners** are hosted twice a year, usually in the spring and fall. Parishioners who have registered within the past 6 months are invited to attend to learn more about their new parish. Volunteers help in planning, serving and welcoming of our new parishioners.

**Anniversary Cards** are sent for one year anniversaries of baptisms, weddings, and funerals held here at Spirit of Christ. The cards are personally addressed by volunteers and signed by our priests.

Contact for all above: Susan Levesque at (303)867-9165  
or [susan@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:susan@spiritofchrist.org)

## Fellowship and Support Ministries

**A.A. Love and Unity** meets here Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. This 12 step program follows the disciplines of all Alcoholic Anonymous Meetings.

Contact: [aa@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:aa@spiritofchrist.org)

**Al-Anon** is a support group for those with alcohol issues in the family. This highly confidential group meets at 7 PM each Monday. If you are a beginner with this ministry, please come at 6:30 p.m. for an orientation meeting.

Contact: [alanon@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:alanon@spiritofchrist.org)

**Anawim** will provide a safe and supportive environment for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and in Questioning (LGBTQ) parishioners of Spirit of Christ and their families and friends. The group strives to facilitate its members on their spiritual journey in harmony with the teachings of the Catholic Church. We aim to develop a support group for the unique problems of LGBTQ persons. We meet the 2nd Saturday of the Month from 10 AM to noon. ANAWIM Ministry has established a section in the SOC Library, including videos and printed resources, for the SOC community at large.

Contact: Ralph Reschke, Jr. at (303) 425-9995  
or [anawim@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:anawim@spiritofchrist.org)

**Blood Drives** are held several times a year. We offer blood drives to benefit Vitalant. There will be an opportunity to sign-up for the blood drive a few weeks prior to Vitalant being here. Watch the bulletin for dates.

Contact: Jeannine Koontz at (303) 887-9953  
or [jeaninekoontz@hotmail.com](mailto:jeaninekoontz@hotmail.com)

**Boy Scout Troop 7** is chartered to Spirit of Christ Catholic Community and is open to boys 11 to 18 years of age of all faiths. Troop 7 is part of the Denver Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. We have an outdoor activity each month, usually a two-night campout, and spend one week each summer at a Scout camp where there are many learning opportunities. Scouts learn outdoor and citizenship skills through the advancement program and can explore a wide variety of hobbies and vocations through the merit badge program.

We meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the church. Boys interested in becoming Scouts should call the Scoutmaster.

Contact: Wayne Wojniak at (303) 817-0520  
or [bstroop7@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:bstroop7@spiritofchrist.org)

**Centering Prayer Groups** "Centering Prayer is a method that prepares our faculties to awaken to the gift of contemplation. It leads to an intimate relationship with Christ." Thomas Keating  
There are 2 prayer groups here at Spirit of Christ:

- 1st and 3rd Weds. 10—11:30 AM in the Cana room, contact Claire Marie at 720-908-5745 [clairemarie\\_3@hotmail.com](mailto:clairemarie_3@hotmail.com)
- Thursdays 7—8:30 PM on a conference call. Please contact Theresa Keating at 303-250-0654 for details.

**Divorce Ministry** exists to provide compassionate Christian education and awareness to heal and rebuild the lives of those who are separated, are going through or have received a divorce; and heal and rebuild the lives of children and adult children in the aftermath of their parents' divorce.

For inquiries about the annulment process, please contact an advocate: Deacon Charlie at [deaconcharlie@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:deaconcharlie@spiritofchrist.org) or Becky Palmeri at [becky@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:becky@spiritofchrist.org)

Contacts: Separated and Divorced: Deacon Charlie Hahn at (303) 867-9178 Ext. 265 or [divorceministry@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:divorceministry@spiritofchrist.org)

Children of Divorce (8 yrs.-High School) or Adult Children of Divorce (out of High school and older) please Deacon Charlie or <https://archden.org/eflm/family/acod/>

**Exercise in the Spirit** always welcomes new participants. We offer aerobics and light weights on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Just show up in the Spirit Center.

Contact: Bette Guinn at (303) 915-4091  
or [exercise@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:exercise@spiritofchrist.org)



**Food Co-op** is a food buying cooperative, part of the North Arvada Food Co-op that has been active for more than two decades. We buy wholesale from the suppliers and our members receive substantial savings. Examples: all natural meats, fresh organic produce, fresh eggs, fresh nuts, dried fruit, cheeses and honey. As a co-op member you will share the tasks for obtaining and dividing the food. The membership fee is \$4 per month and covers supply costs. Wholesale prices are passed directly to our members plus sales tax.

Contact: Ginny Trumpolt at (303) 423-4015  
or foodcoop@spiritofchrist.org

**Funeral Receptions (Touch)** provide luncheons after funerals held at Spirit of Christ at no charge to the immediate families of active, registered parishioners. This entails a group of volunteers who actually work the event by setting up, serving the food and drinks, and cleaning up afterward. The second part of this ministry is for those who donate salads, side dishes and desserts. We have volunteer callers who call parishioners willing to donate the food for these luncheons.

To serve Contact: Lorraine Pello at 303-829-6015 or  
jlpello@aol.com

To donate food Contact: Judy Matthews at (303) 423-9365  
or judymatt01@centurylink.net

**Funeral Preparation** is offered to families whose loved one has died as well as to those who would like to plan a funeral in advance.

Contact: Deacon A.J. Misiti at (303) 867-9163  
or deaconaj@spiritofchrist.org

**Grieving with Great Hope** is a five week grief support workshop that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning a loss of a loved one. If you have lost a spouse, a child (including pregnancy loss), a grandchild, a parent, a sibling another family member or a friend, you are encouraged to attend.

Contact: griefsupport@spiritofchrist.org

**Knights of Columbus Council 12979** is a Catholic, Family, Fraternal Service organization based on the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. To this end, the Knights share their talents and time in vigorous programs of service in the areas of Church, Council, Youth, Family, Community, and Pro-Life. Council 12979 seeks to first serve the pastor with any of his needs within the parish. The council also serves the needs of the parish's other priests and deacons along with the interests of the many Spirit of Christ committees.

Contact: Jeff Adrian at koc@spiritofchrist.org

**Ladies Auxiliary** is a charitable, service and social organization. We offer hospitality assistance to SOC parish as requested, assist the Knights of Columbus with their events and programs, as well as have our own projects. The Auxiliary is open to all adult women of the parish. Although we work closely with the Knights of Columbus, no affiliation with a Knight is necessary.

Contact: Ginny Trumpolt at (303) 423-4015  
or ladiesaux@spiritofchrist.org

**Magnificat Moms** is a Mom's group who foster a community of faith, friendship and support in our vocation as mothers of young children in the imitation of our Blessed Mother. Childcare is provided. We meet the first and third Wednesday of every month from 9:15 - 11:15 AM, with special events posted on our website and in the church bulletin.

Contact: Mary Newblom at magmoms@spiritofchrist.org

**Multiple Sclerosis Support Group** meets the second Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. This is a support group for those living with M.S., as well as their family & friends.

Contact: Sonja Kingsbary 303-513-5437 or

spydersonja15@gmail.com

**Rosary Prayer Group "Mary Star of Hope"** is a group that meets on the first and third Mondays of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel to pray the rosary and for the parish intentions.

Contact: Pam Cortney at (303) 422-8482

or marystarofhope@spiritofchrist.org

**The Tribe, Young Adult Ministry**, is a program for those out of high school and older. We celebrate the sacraments and do many types of fun and spiritually renewing activities. The Tribe Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the St. Frances Cabrini room. COME JOIN THE TRIBE!

Contact: Richard Deanda at (303) 867-9171

or youngadults@spiritofchrist.org

**WINGS** is a support group for widows that meets to assist in the ongoing process of living independently by praying, sharing and caring for one another. They come together to share, heal, laugh, grow and offer emotional and social support to those who have lost their husbands.

Contact: Edie Oliver at (303) 421-3291 or

edieoliver1939@gmail.com

**Young at Heart (YAH)** is for those 55 years or older to gather for a wide range of functions from lunches, dinners, cards & games, crafts for a cause, rosary makers, trips to historical sights and to "the hill" for gambling, caring hearts (send cards & visit home-bound), monthly book club, 1st Friday breakfasts, and more. Watch the bulletin for their monthly schedule with contact numbers for each activity.

Contact: Joyce Antonucci at (303) 466-2889

or yah@spiritofchrist.org

**6:30 Morning Prayer Community** is a prayer group that meets Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Join us for our daily Catholic readings, community led prayer and reflection. All are welcome. Regular attendance is not required, drop-ins welcome. Come as the Lord leads and as you may need.

Contact: Molly Meehan at (303) 422-0878 or

mollymee@hotmail.com

## *Outreach Ministries*

**Birthright** is volunteers who sew, knit, and crochet various items for babies, children, adolescents and pregnant mothers. Including clothing, bibs, hats, crib sheets, blankets, quilts, diaper bags, and other items. We meet every other month to select fabric, patterns, and notions, and then take these items home to make at their convenience. Twice a year we get together to share, sort and distribute completed items to organizations in need.

Contact: Thelma Lucci at (303) 422-8873  
or [birthright@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:birthright@spiritofchrist.org)

**Blankets For Babies** makes afghans, quilts and receiving blankets for newborns for Birthline, an abortion alternative organization. Some members purchase their own materials, some use donated materials and some use materials purchased with our budget. Would you like to sew at home for little ones who need a “new blanket” or have materials to donate?

Contact: Robin Strand at (303) 913-7381  
or [blankets@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:blankets@spiritofchrist.org)

**Fair Trade Products** Your purchases can have a powerful impact on equality and justice in the global market place. Our Fair Trade products come from small farmer cooperatives which engage in democratic practices, equality for women and they receive a fair price for their products. We sell our coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa, olive oil and other items at cost. Premium products at a lower cost! Through Fair Trade, small farmers can feed their families, send their children to school and improve their communities. Products are available at SOC, see bulletin for details.

Contact: Judy McEvitt at (303) 424-8042  
or [fairtrade@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:fairtrade@spiritofchrist.org)

**HOPE (Help Our People Eat)** provides well-balanced meals to individuals and families as well as organizations which offer free food to those requesting assistance. We provide nutritional food to our parishioners through the “Holiday food baskets,” and stock local non-profit organization’s pantries.

Contact: Marie Beeler at (303) 587-9128 [hope@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:hope@spiritofchrist.org)

**Koats 4 Kids** Purchases coats, hats and mittens from thrift stores and accepts donations of new and gently used kids coats. They are washed, as needed, and donated to low income schools. We welcome your help.

Contact: Elsa Kent at 720-708-5764 [Koats4kids@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:Koats4kids@spiritofchrist.org)

**Migrant Ministry** is an outreach to Colorado migrants to help meet basic human needs and change structures that deny them the dignity and rights due all human beings. We collaborate with other parishes and organizations interested in furthering the cause of the plight of the migrants.

Contact: [migrantministry@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:migrantministry@spiritofchrist.org)

**Helping the Homeless** seeks to perform the corporal works of mercy of feeding, clothing and sheltering our local homeless population, especially during severe weather. We cooperate with the Severe Weather Shelter Network (SWSN), in partnership with Cornerstone Church of God and St. Joan of Arc parishioners.

Contact: Diane Hildebrand at (360) 903-2891 (leave a message)  
Contact: [Homelessministry@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:Homelessministry@spiritofchrist.org)

**Prison Ministry Mission** (Keep Moving Forward) is to improve the lives of all people affected by incarceration, with the vision and hope of making an everyday difference in the quality of life for all prisoners, ex-prisoners, and families of prisoners.

Contact: Jim Gumpert at (720) 370-4159  
or [prisonministry@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:prisonministry@spiritofchrist.org)

**Respect Life** Our goal is to share information regarding resources for pregnant women, create awareness about Pro-Life issues and provide opportunities for our Catholic Community to defend and protect life from conception to natural death so that we may bear witness to the gift of life!

Contact: Stephanie Kritzberger at [respectlife@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:respectlife@spiritofchrist.org)

**Reverse Collection** works with 16 non-profit organizations to help provide Christmas presents for children and families that they service who would otherwise do without. Spirit of Christ parishioners generously provide those children and families with Christmas presents.

Contact: Mary Coquillard at (303) 428-3428  
or [reversecollection@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:reversecollection@spiritofchrist.org)

**Fran’s Rosary Makers** create countless rosaries to send to many areas of our country as well as international. We meet the second Monday of each month from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The rosaries are easy to make and, if you are interested, we are prepared to teach anyone how to become a rosary maker and answer Our Lady’s request at Fatima to pray many rosaries.

Contact: [rosaries@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:rosaries@spiritofchrist.org)

**SHOW (Seasonal Home Outdoor Work)** provides volunteer assistance to elderly parishioners with basic landscaping clean-up and repair. We offer two service days per year- one in the spring and one in the fall. A ministry where parishioners help parishioners!

Contact: Silvia Quintana at (303) 867-9164  
or [show@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:show@spiritofchrist.org)

**Soup Kitchen** volunteers prepare and serve meals to those in need. We work with Catholic Workers Soup Kitchen, New Genesis, St. Francis Center or with The Rising Church in Arvada. Soon, we will assist in preparing sandwiches or hot meals at home and deliver to the organizations.

Contact: Becky Diaz at 303-428-2509, Karen Alderman at 303-431-5808 (June to Dec.), Chris Kotowski at 303-422-8371 or [soupkitchen@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:soupkitchen@spiritofchrist.org)

**Women’s Prison Ministry** shares God’s love, truth, forgiveness, healing and hope to women in prison through Kairos Prison Ministry. We meet the first Sunday of each month at the Denver Women’s Correctional Facility to pray, share with, and encourage residents to continue in their faith Trusting in God. We are incredibly blessed to also bring our 4-day program to the facilities twice a year which creates a community with a desire to become Christian, or continue their spiritual growth. contact: Sandy Miller at [womensprisonministry@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:womensprisonministry@spiritofchrist.org)

## *Other*

**The Gifts of the Spirit** is the Spirit of Christ gift store. Visit on Saturday before Mass and Sunday from 9 AM—noon.. We carry many religious items, rosaries, candles and gifts that are very appropriate for Confirmation, First Communion, Baptisms, etc. We are always in need of volunteers. Please stop by our store to leave your name and number if you can help out once a month.

Contact: Debbie McCarty at (303) 929-3908  
or [giftsofthespirit@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:giftsofthespirit@spiritofchrist.org)

**The Library** provides a collection of religious and value-based materials for the use of our Spirit of Christ Catholic Community. There are over 5,000 books, DVDs and CDs for children, young people, and adults. Volunteers staff the library Tuesday and Wednesday, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.; Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Contact: Randy Hergenreder 303-495-0966 .  
or [soclibrary@spiritofchrist.org](mailto:soclibrary@spiritofchrist.org)