



Saint Michael the Archangel CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Important Dates

**May 4th - National Day of
Prayer**

**May 7th - World Day
of Prayer for
Vocations**

May 14th - Mother's Day

**May 25th - Ascension of the
Lord (celebrated on
May 28th)**

May 29th - Memorial Day

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER



May 4, 2017

Investing in Hope... Transforming our Nation Through Prayer!

The National Day of Prayer calls on all people of different faiths in the United States to pray for the nation and its leaders. It is held on the first Thursday of May each year.

What do people do?

Through the efforts of the National Day of Prayer Task Force, more than 35,000 prayer gatherings will be conducted by about 40,000 volunteers across the United States. Several million people are expected to participate in this call to prayer.

Other events in various communities across the United States may include: choirs and bands performing songs relating to prayer; community prayer breakfasts or luncheons; daytime prayer walks; and evening worship and prayer services or gatherings. The National Day of Prayer is a time for people of all faiths to pray together in their own way.

Public life

The National Day of Prayer is not a public holiday. Schools, post offices, stores and other businesses and organizations are open as usual. Public transport services run to their usual schedules and no extra congestion on highways is to be expected.

You are invited to the 13th Annual Aurora area, National Day of Prayer, on May 4th at 6:30 pm. Join us at Faith Church, 11373 E Alameda Ave., Aurora, CO 80012. For questions, call 720-364-2537 or 303-766-1055.

For other events visit: http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org/post_or_find_an_event.

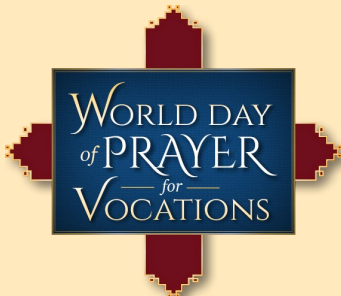
World Day of Prayer for Vocations



World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 7th, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

The purpose of the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the *ordained ministries* (priesthood and diaconate), to the *Religious life* in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to *societies of apostolic life*, to *secular institutes* in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of *mission "ad gentes"*.

2017 marks the **54th Anniversary** of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations



Ascension of Our Lord

The Ascension of Our Lord, celebrates the day that Christ, in the presence of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. According to our tradition, the Ascension occurred 40 days after Easter Sunday, so it falls on a Thursday; however, in most dioceses in the United States, the celebration of the Ascension has been transferred to the following Sunday. St. Michael's will observe the Ascension of the Lord on Sunday, May 28, 2017.



Ascension Prayer

*God our Father,
make us joyful in the ascension of your Son,
Jesus Christ.*

*May we follow Him into the new creation,
for His ascension is our glory and our hope.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,*

*who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

Amen.

May 2017

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	3	4	5 9:00 am 1st Friday Adoration	6 4:30 pm 1st Saturday Rosary Pastoral Council in Hallway ACA Commitment weekend
7 Pastoral Council in Hallway ACA Commitment weekend	8	9 10:00 am AARP Drivers Class 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	10	11	12 4:00 pm New Altar Server Training	13 Blood Drive sign-up Diaper Drive
14 Mother's Day Blood Drive sign-up Diaper Drive	15	16 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	17 12 pm noon Sainly Salads	18	19	20 DPS Garage Sale
21 7:00 am Wedding Blessing	22 7 pm New Eucharistic Minister training	23 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	24	25 DPS Graduation	26 DPS Graduation	27 9:00 am New Eucharistic Minister Training
28 Donut Sunday	29 Memorial Day Parish Office closed	30 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	31			

**Please be advised, dates and times are subject to change*
