

Divine Grace Parish 2025-2026
Auto Raffle Official Rules

Prize: The vehicle that is raffled off by Divine Grace Parish from the McElwain Motor Car Company.

Eligibility

Participants must be at least 18 years old. The winner must provide two forms of identification, one of which must be a photo ID to verify the person on the winning ticket. The winner may be required to sign an affidavit of eligibility at the discretion of the Divine Grace Parish.

Tickets

The ticket price is \$25/per ticket or 5 tickets for \$100 (single transaction). There is no limit to the number of tickets each participant may purchase. This does not affect the odds of winning. Each ticket will be entered separately into the drawing. Each ticket is a separate and equal chance to win the specified prize.

Tickets are printed in numerical sequence—beginning with 0001. Various staff members and volunteers will be taking orders or have batches of tickets, and for this reason, tickets may be sold out of order. Requests for a specific ticket number are accommodated, if possible when ordered by phone.

Tickets have no cash value. The winning ticket may only be redeemed for the vehicle raffled off by the parish from the McElwain Motor Car Company

Purchases

Purchasers do not need their portion of the ticket for any reason. Within approximately one week after receipt of

ticket funds and raffle ticket stubs, the stubs will be placed into a locked ticket barrel and the funds will be deposited into Divine Grace Parish account.

If a purchaser wishes to buy additional tickets, the purchaser will indicate the additional number to be purchased and would provide the entire purchase amount. The purchaser's portion of the ticket(s) will be given to the purchaser and the ticket stubs will be completed in the purchaser's name and those stubs will be placed into the locked ticket barrel.

Tickets can also be picked up at the church offices on all days that the parish offices are open. Tickets may also be offered for sale after Masses, at the ticket sales booth near Rochester Road, from all parish offices at St. Gregory and Holy Redeemer Churches, and from other venues and events in the area.

Drawing

The raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, January 11, 2026, at approximately 11:00 A.M. in the Narthex of Saint Ferdinand Church (after the 10:00 A.M. Mass). Tickets must be received no later than Noon on Friday, January 9, 2026, to be eligible for the drawing. Tickets will be sold for the last time immediately after Mass at St. Ferdinand on January 11, 2026 for one last chance.

The winner need not be present at the drawing to win, and the winner does not need their portion of the ticket to claim the prize. The winner will be notified by phone and/or in writing via Registered Mail (weekly, up to three times after the drawing) of the requisite procedure to claim the prize.

The winning ticket number will be posted at www.divinegracepgh.org within five (5) calendar days of the drawing. The winning entrant is required to inform Divine Grace Parish within seven (7) calendar days from notification of their intent to take possession of the car. At that time, Divine Grace Parish will put the entrant in contact with the McElwain Motor Car Company

Within thirty (30) days of receiving from McElwain Motor Car Company contact information the owner of the winning ticket must claim the prize, and satisfy all taxes, title, tags, and registration fees, including mandatory Federal Income Tax withholding of 24.1%.

If the selected winning entrant is unable to be contacted, does not return communications after a period of one (1) month from the draw date, or cannot fulfill requisite procedures to claim the prize, he or she will forfeit all claims thereto.

Prize

The prize is non-transferable. The winner is responsible for the mandatory 24% Federal Income Tax withholding. The entire withholding amount will be submitted to the IRS by Divine Grace Parish.

The winner is solely responsible for all taxes, registration, title, transfer fees, license duties, insurance, and all expenses associated with claiming, registering, and using the prize vehicle. Divine Grace Parish and the McElwain Motor Car Company have no liability regarding taxes and fees for the vehicle.

Additional Rules

THIS CONTEST IS SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL, FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS, AND IS VOID WHERE PROHIBITED, TAXED, OR OTHERWISE RESTRICTED.

Effective 1/15/10, the state of Washington does not allow its residents to purchase raffle tickets online or by phone.

Winner agrees to the use of his/her name, address, photograph, or videotape likeness and statements for publicity purposes by Divine Grace Parish without compensation.

Divine Grace Parish reserves the right to cancel this contest at any time, in which event its liability is limited to the refund of ticket prices to participants.

Any person who engages in conduct designed to corrupt the outcome of a charitable gaming activity with the purpose to defraud, or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud, is guilty of a Class D felony.

All proceeds benefit Divine Grace Parish, a non-profit organization.