

St. Genevieve Catholic Church

Established in 1859

100 S. Espina St., Las Cruces NM 88001
Phone (575) 524-9649 Fax (575) 524-3263

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 4 PM Friday 9 AM – NOON

Website: stgen.info Email: sgcchurch@stgen.info Facebook: Saint-Genevieve-Catholic-Church



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

“This is my beloved
Son, with whom I am
well pleased; listen
to him.” - Mt 17:5b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

SUNDAY MARCH 1, 2026

ST. GENEVIEVE'S MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Saint Genevieve Church is to increase the awareness of Christ's presence in our homes and community. We are dedicated to helping those in need of spiritual and material assistance and we encourage all people to fully utilize their gifts in service to others. Our ultimate goal is to draw all people towards holiness and a closer relationship with God.

DECLARACIÓN DE LA MISIÓN DE SANTA GENOVEVA

La misión de la Iglesia de Santa Genoveva es aumentar la conciencia de la presencia de Cristo en nuestros hogares y comunidad. Estamos dedicados a ayudar a aquellos que necesitan asistencia espiritual y material y alentamos a todas las personas a utilizar plenamente sus dones en el servicio a los demás. Nuestro objetivo final es atraer a todas las personas hacia la santidad y una relación más cercana con Dios.

Rev. Theophine Okafor
Parochial Administrator

Rev. Andrzej Zagorski
Parish Vicar

Deacon Steve Apodaca
Deacon Rick Autry

Frank Sanchez, Business Manager

Maggie Candia, Bookkeeper

Veronica Garcia, Admin Assistant/
Liturgy Coordinator

Clara Roberts, Secretary

Ofelia Narvaez, Housekeeper

Bertha Hernandez, Housekeeper

Albert Carrasco, Facility/Cemetery Mgr.

Jose Valenciano, Facility Maintenance

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

February 28 to March 8, 2026

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas

Daily Mass / Misa Diaria
7:00 AM Monday to Saturday

Saturday / Sabado
5:00 PM

Sunday / Domingo
8:00 AM (Español)

9:30 AM
11:00 AM

5:00 PM
Holy Days / Días Santos
7:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Anointing of the Sick
First Tuesday of the Month
After 7:00 AM Mass

Unción de los Enfermos
Primer martes del Mes
Después de la misa de las 7:00 AM

First Friday – All Day Adoration
Holy Hour 5:00 PM (Spanish)
Mass 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Primer Viernes - Adoración todo el día
Hora Santa 5:00 PM (Español)
Misa de 6:00 PM (Español)

First Saturday Rosary
10:00 AM
Rosario del primer Sábado
10:00 AM

Pray the Rosary
6:30 AM Mon – Friday English
5:30 PM Mon – Thursday Bilingual
Rezar el Rosario
6:30 AM de lunes a viernes Inglés
5:30 PM de lunes a jueves bilingüe

Divine Mercy Chaplet Saturday
3:00 PM
Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia Sábado
3:00 PM

Secular Franciscan Order
Second Sunday of the Month
1:00 PM Conference Room
Orden Franciscano Secular
Segundo domingo del mes
1:00 PM Sala de conferencias

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 10:00 AM—11:00 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Sacramento de la Reconciliación
Sábado 10:00 AM—11:00 AM
Sábado 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Marriage & Quince Años:
Contact Parish Office for Information
Matrimonio y Quince Años:
Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial para obtener información

Saturday Feb. 28—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM For St. Genevieve Parishioners by Father Theo
5:00 PM †John Beuyukian by wife & son
†Rebecca Ann Torres by Dr. Torres
†Alberto Campos by Louie & Ida Campos
In Thanksgiving for John De La Torre

Sunday March 1—Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Tomas Nañez Sr. & †Michael Tavarez por Familia
9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy
†Jimmy Guzman, †Carmen & †Jose Luna
by Christina & Family
†Frank & †Nora Montes by Montes Family
11:00 AM †JD & †Eric Rosales by Mom & Family
In Thanksgiving for Jay De La Torre
5:00 PM †Pablo & †Petra Gonzales by Armijo Family

Monday Mar. 2—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Juan Ortiz by Ada & Roberto Medina
(L) Kerry Gragg by Armijo Family
Holy Souls in Purgatory by Gilbert Sanchez

Tuesday Mar. 3—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Jean & †Maria Lopez by Ray Lopez
†Frances, †E. Pete, & †Eli Ron Mascareñas by Family

Wednesday Mar. 4—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM (L) Healing of Sarah Masih by Sal Estrada

Thursday Mar. 5—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Kika Lucero by Andy, Martha & Veronica
†Cuca Medina by Family
In Thanksgiving to St. Francis & St. Jude

First Friday Mar. 6—Friday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM †Juanita, †Stephen, †Marcos, †Hector, & †Johnnie Infante
†Jack, †Ruth, †Jim, †Vickie, †Bobby, & †Vern Wireman
†Fr. Narciso Rivera & Fr. Ronald Burke
†Gloria Carrillo, †Jose & †Cruz Lopez
6:00 PM For the Deceased & Living Members of St. Genevieve's
Sacred Heart of Jesus League
†Uncle Al, †Aunt Pauline, †Cousin Phillip by Dr. Torres
†Jesus Marquez Delgado, †Luz Lucero Uranga, &
†Ana Quevedo Torres

First Saturday Mar. 7—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory by Antonia Bencomo
†Leticia Revilla by Revilla Family
5:00 PM †John Beuyukian by wife & son
†Rosa L. Archuleta by Richard & Rebecca Archuleta
†Dominga Valenzuela by Family
(L) Health of my Grandchildren by Dr. Torres
(L) Erica Melendrez by John De La Torre

Sunday March 8—Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Juanita & †Ernesto Medrano por Familia
†Tomas Nañez Sr. & †Michael Tavarez por Familia
9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy by Wendy & José
†Frank Rodriguez, †Abigail Mellon, & †Jesse Saenz
†Ricardo “Rick” Jacquez by Irene Jacquez
11:00 AM †Patrick, †Junior Montoya & †Louisa Stephenson
by Cecilia Montoya
†Refugio Estrada Jr. “Happy 1st Heavenly Birthday” by Family
5:00 PM For the Parishioners of St. Genevieve by Father Theo

Sanctuary Lamp, for the Month of March

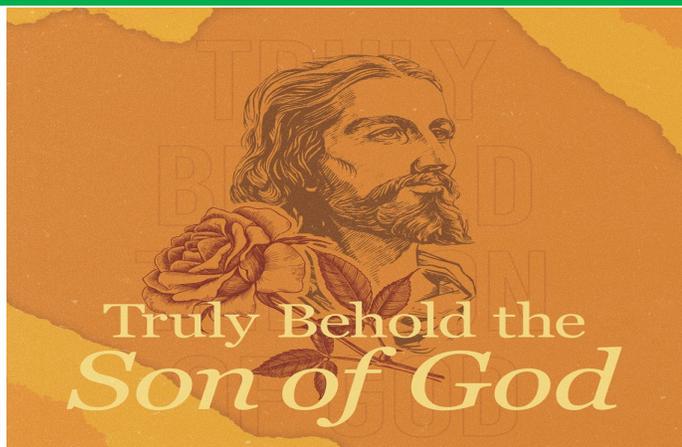
In Thanksgiving for Divine Sustenance by Wendy & José Gonzalez

Altar Bread for the Month March

In Memory of Jesse, Manuel & Vincent Ortega by the Ortega family

Altar Wine for the Month of March

In Memory of Gwendolyn Reilly by Michael Reilly



Truly Behold the Son of God

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

March 1, 2026
2nd Sunday of Lent
Matthew 17:1-9

When I sit down to answer emails or write a Gospel reflection or return a phone call, I sometimes wonder: Does any of this humdrum work matter? Maybe you ask the same thing about your daily labor. Today's Gospel, the Transfiguration, offers a surprising answer.

Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a mountain. There, "his face shone like the sun face and his clothes become white as light" (Matthew 17:2). That detail regarding his clothes is worth considering.

We know Jesus' body is inseparably united to the divine nature. But his clothing? That's something made by human hands. It's an artifact. And yet it shines with the same uncreated light. What does this detail mean? The early Church noted that Adam and Eve's first act after the Fall was to make clothing. This clothing symbolizes all human labor that supports our dignity. In Jesus' glorified garments, we see not just the redemption of our body, but of human effort to protect and uplift human dignity.

Parents, your family is your work. Baristas, plumbers, nurses, accountants — your labor, your emails, your phone calls, your spreadsheets — can all become radiant when offered to God in love. The question isn't just do I believe in Jesus' glory, but do I believe he can share it with the work of my hands?

Lenten Challenge: Identify the "artifact" you are making to uplift the dignity of others: your job, your home, your relationships. Consciously bring it to the Lord this Sunday at Mass. Offer it to share in His glory. It will begin to shine.

— Father John Muir

February 18, 2026

Ash Wednesday	\$2,902.71
2nd Collect –Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 389.64

February 22, 2026

First Collection	\$7,464.23
Candles	\$ 136.15
WeShare Feb. 16 to 22, 2026	\$ 315.00

Upcoming 2nd Collection

March 01, 2026 St. Vincent de Paul Society

March 08, 2026 UIM/Church Projects 2026

March 15, 2026 Catholic Relief Services

Please consider online giving

Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you!



Baptisms for March will be celebrated on Saturday, March 28 at 11:00 am. The Parents and Sponsors class is Saturday, March 14th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the church conference room. All paperwork on baby, parents, sponsors & \$50 administrative fee due by Tuesday March 17th in the office.

- **Baptism classes are required for both Parents and Godparents.**
- **Godparents must have received the sacrament of Confirmation.**
- **If married, must be married by the Roman Catholic Church, and receiving the Holy Communion regularly.**
- **If not married, Godparents must not be living with a significant other.**
- **Only one Godparent is required**
- **If two Godparents then one male and one female are required.**

Please contact the office for more information and to register.



Mister Carwash Tickets \$10.00 each available for purchase in the parish office.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Go forth," God told Abram. We hear that message again in the Transformation: go forth. We cannot always remain where we are comfortable. We cannot always remain where things are simple. We must go forth.

Prayer

Lord, help me when I am afraid.

Mission for the Week

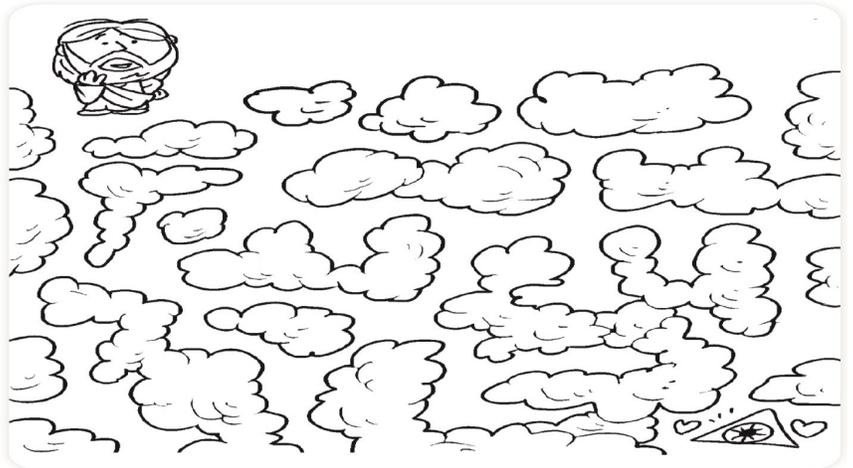
When I am afraid, I will remember that God is always with me.

Sharing the Gospel

Peter, James, and John had walked up the mountain with Jesus. When they got to the top, Jesus looked different. Rays of bright light came from his face. His robes became white. Then a voice from a cloud said, "This is my Son whom I love. In him I am well pleased. Listen to him." The three apostles were scared and fell on the ground and covered their heads with their arms. Then Jesus touched them and said, "Don't be afraid."

Now color the picture! →

Help Jesus find his father!



Liturgical Life

Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Trusting in the Lord, Abram is obedient to the directive to leave his land and home. When have others had to place their trust in you?

Second Reading:

Paul instructs Timothy to draw on the strength God gives us when facing hardships. Can you think of a difficult time when you relied on God's strength to help you?

Gospel:

In the transfiguration of Jesus, Peter, James, and John are fearful when they hear God's voice speak from the cloud. As the season of Lent continues, what are some fears you are facing?

Readings for the week of March 1, 2026

Sunday:

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/
Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday:

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Prayer Request

Vanessa Alamillo	Susie Garcia	Yvette Ordoñez
Matthew Aldama	Socorro Garcia	Rosa Orosco
Michael Amesquita	Tony Godoy	Diana Quintana
Marty Arellano	Josie Gomez	David Rall
Baby Marcos	Alberto Grijalva	Melissa Ramirez
Joel Baca	Helen Hancock	Sandra Ramirez
Stephen Banegas	Marcos Infante Jr.	Marisa Ramos
Betina Brown	Sal Jaramillo	Miguel Reza
Mary Ann Boe	Alaia Jauriqui	Socorro Reza
Edward Carrillo	John	Tamara Rico
Lisa C.	Charlee Lawhorn	Tony Robles
Cesar	Raymond Lee	Ignacio Romero
Marty Corral	Lupe Leyva	Jolene Rosen
Jace Dean	Rosemary Leyva	Martin Rubio
Vanessa S. Dean	Louie Lizalde	Adelis Ruiz
Debbie	Oscar Lopez	Gustavo Ruiz
Elva Delgado	Johnny Lucero	Reynaldo Ruiz
Gabriel & Mary Desorcy	Emory Rose Lozoya	Robert Ruiz
Henry Diaz	Gray Madrid	Waylan Sanchez
Anna E.	Bertha & Jesus Maldonado	Janie Sandoval
Frances Escalante	Barbie Martinez	Alfonso Santa Maria, Jr.
Gloria Espinoza	Albert R. Medina	Miguel Silva
Matilda Evaro	Dorothy Medina	Eddie Tellez
Jaime Flores	Nora Medina	Cleofas Tirre
Petra Flores	Rudy Medina	Christina Torres
Sammy Flores	Tammy Mendez	Luciano Valverde
Stephanie Flores	Rosa Montes	Gerald Villa
Louie G.	Richard Morales	Cuca Viescas
Tony G.	Elena Moreno	Cecilia Yañez
Joe Gardner	Mike Munoz	Minerva Zamora
Angelina Garcia	Christie Olivas	Beverly Zubia
Martin Garcia	Al Ontiveros	Joe Zubia
Marta Garcia		Leandro Zubia Jr

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Stations of the Crosses during Lent**
 Fridays at 6:15 am and 6:00 pm
 First Friday of the month NO 6:00 pm stations
 Wednesdays at 12:00 pm Starting 02/25/2026
- Lenten Mission March 16-19, 2026** Please join us here in the church nightly from 6:00-7:00pm. Our presenter will be Brother Joseph Bach, OFM Conv.
- Padrinos (Godparents) for the 2026 Easter Candle**
 Call the office to submit your name in the drawing for sponsoring of Easter Candle. Drawing will be conducted at 11 am mass on March 29, 2026.
- The Southwest Coalition for Life 40 Days for Life**
 Campaign is still in need of prayer volunteers to fill the hours between 7AM to 7PM, each day of the Campaign which runs from 2-18-26, through 3-29-26. We're asking for 1 hour of your time, 1 time per week for 6 weeks. Please contact Greg Goldblatt for more information at 575-640-8834.
- St. Genevieve's Parish Hall Renovation Committee**
 is soliciting for a General Contractors for bids for the Parish Hall renovation project. The General Contractor shall have proof of GB 98 license, bonding, and insurance. Please contact Frank Sanchez at the parish office or email him at frank@stgen.info for more information.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Scholarship

Unlock Your Future with Our Scholarship Program! Apply now and take the first step toward achieving your academic dreams. Three recipients of this scholarship will receive \$1000 each paid in full once enrollment verification is provided to the committee. Applications due March 31, 2026

REQUIREMENTS

APPLICANT MUST BE A SENIOR GRADUATING IN 2026

APPLICANT MUST HAVE THE HOLY SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY
 Incomplete applications will not be considered.

750 WORD ESSAY
 Answer the question:

How can you use your Catholic faith to make a positive difference in today's world and the future?

OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS
 Must have a 3.0 GPA or better

2 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
 -1 from dean, counselor or educator
 -1 from a priest, deacon or religious education coordinator

COPY OF ACCEPTANCE LETTER FROM A COLLEGE/INSTITUTION



REGISTER NOW



MORE INFORMATION
 JESSIE A. CARABAJAL
 575-202-5759
 dancingjessie@msn.com

Discover
YOUR FEMALE SUPER POWERS



Registrations must be made by March 16th, 2026.



INTRO TO WOMANHOOD

An educational workshop for girls aged 9-13 and their mothers or trusted adults to help them understand and embrace their natural bodies.
 Seating is Limited!

Sunday, March 22nd • 1:30pm-4pm

St. Genevieve Catholic Parish Conference Room
 100 S. Espina St, Las Cruces, NM 88001

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF LEARNING, CONNECTION, AND CELEBRATION OF THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY INTO BECOMING A YOUNG WOMAN. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED AND DOOR PRIZES AWARDED.

COST: \$25 PER MOTHER-DAUGHTER DUO
 FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: (915) 544-9600