

# St. Genevieve Catholic Church

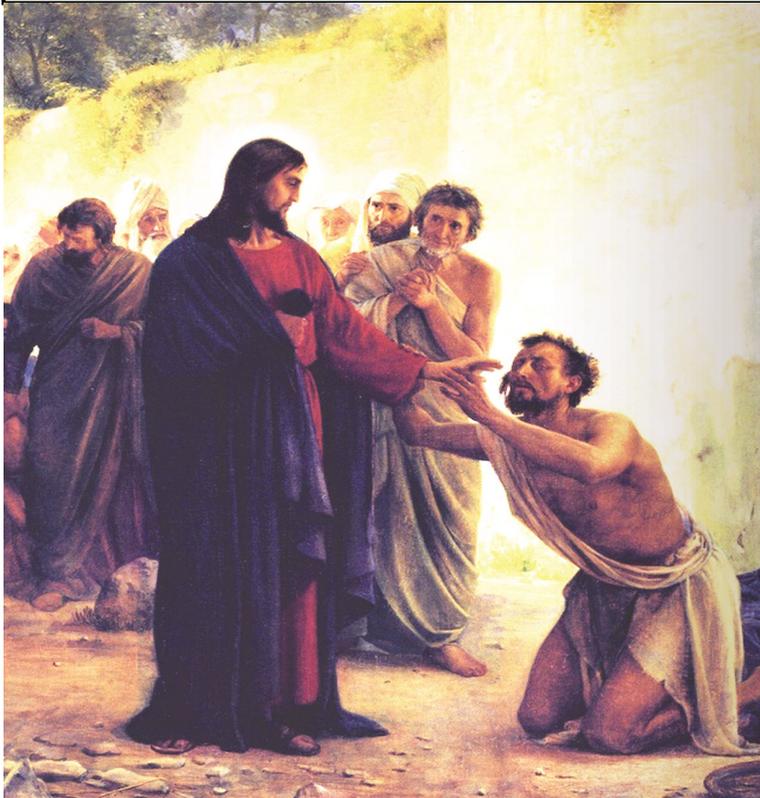
*Established in 1859*

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## Office Hours

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

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## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"  
- Jn 9:35

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## SUNDAY MARCH 15, 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 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

March 14 to 22, 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 Mar. 14—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Adam Devin Sedillo by Devin Sedillo Family

For the Poor Souls in Purgatory by Antonia Bencomo

5:00 PM

†Rosina D. Jaramillo by Family

†John Beuyukian by wife & son

(L) Health of Ponch & Family by Dr. Torres

†Domingo Greigo by Wife Maggie

### Sunday March 15—Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Reynaldo Terrazas Sr. and Jr. by Family

†Tomas Nañez Sr. & †Michael Tavarez por Familia

9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy by Wendy & José

For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Genevieve Knights of Columbus by St. Genevieve Council #13969

11:00 AM

†Misty Robles by Tony Robles & Family

†Carmen Aragon “Happy Heavenly Birthday” by Daughter Loretta

5:00 PM

†Jim Freeman by Family

Special Intention for Yolanda Robles & Keith Freeman by Thomas Family

### Monday Mar. 16—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Inez A. Barncastle by Family

(L) Healing of Lee, Jennifer, Connie Hu & Elijah Barrio-Moya by Hu family

### Tuesday Mar. 17—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM †Fr. Mike Morris, †George Finnerty, †Thomas Mehann, and

†Gwen Reilly by Mike Reilly

†Patricio, †Florencia & †Emilia Gonzales by Family

### Wednesday Mar. 18—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM

(L) Happy Birthday Carmen Arellano by Family

†Esther Rodriguez by Shirley & Andy Gonzales

†Ralph & †Minnie De La O by Ray and Grandkids

For All Souls in Purgatory by Gilbert Sanchez

### Thursday Mar. 19—St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM

†Repose of the Soul of Theresa Szymaszek by Family

### Friday Mar. 20—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM

Heavenly Birthday Mamma & †Frances Gonzales by Sandra Guerra

†Jesus Marquez Delgado, †Juan Uranga, †Ana Quevedo Torres

by Victor & Elizabeth Delgado-Torres & Rosella Delgado

†Gwen & †Anne Reilly, †Earl Allen & All the Holy Souls in Purgatory by Mike Reilly

### Saturday Mar. 21—Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM Consecration & Thanksgiving to St. Joseph by Eric

Living & Deceased Members of Garcia & Delgado Families

5:00 PM

†John Beuyukian by wife & son

†Oscar J. Saucedo by Richard & Rebecca Archuleta

(L) Healing of Torres Family by Dr. Torres

†Ralph & †Gertrude Lindsay by Cathy Lindsay

†Abram & †Mary Martinez by Family

### Sunday March 22—Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Juanita & †Ernesto Medrano por Familia

†Raul Martinez por Hijos y Esposa

9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy by Wendy & José

†Silvio Francani by Linda

†John B. Roman by Louis & Mary Helen Roman

11:00 AM

†Josephina Gomez by Louie & Ida Campos

†Willie & †Lilly Baldonado, †Mia Sanchez, †Ramon, †Olivia,

And †Alonso Rodriguez by Rodriguez family

5:00 PM

For St. Genevieve Parishioners 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



**Gospel Meditation**  
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

**March 15, 2026**  
**4th Sunday of Lent**  
**John 9:1-41**

If you are like me, it's easy to fixate on our shadows: failures, guilt, shame. Especially when we suffer, it is easy to want to blame ourselves or others. In this week's Gospel, Jesus' disciples ask about the blind man, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents?" (John 9:2) They, like us, focus on blame. But Jesus sees the entire situation differently: "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." He does not deny sin, but he sees deeper — through the light of mercy, not the lens of judgment. The scene hinges on Jesus' strange claim: "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). He sees things differently than everyone. They see shadows and light. He is the light.

Thought experiment: imagine you are the sun looking at everything on the earth. What do you see? Everything. What do you not see? Shadows. Everything is illuminated. If you see it, it is illuminated. For the light, nothing is dark.

Because he is the light, Jesus sees us in the glow of his redemptive love. Even our sin becomes a place where his glory can shine. The man's healing is not just about sight — it is about seeing as Christ sees. Lent is not a season of staring into darkness. It is a time to step into the light — to let Christ's gaze reframe how we see ourselves and one another.

Lenten challenge: Spend 10 quiet minutes this week asking Jesus to show you how he sees you. Not through shame or fear, but through the light of his mercy.

— Father John Muir

**Live The Liturgy**  
**Inspiration of the Week**

The Pharisees refused to see what was in front of them. Their blindness was stronger than that of the man born without sight, because it was a blindness they chose for themselves. So what will it be for us? Do we choose blindness, or do we choose sight?

**March 9, 2026**

First Collection	\$8,175.86
Second Collection-UIM/Church Projects	\$1,611.32
Candles	\$ 92.40
WeShare Mar. 2-8, 2026	\$ 545.00
First Friday-Sacred Heart League	\$ 118.00

*Upcoming 2nd Collection*

*March 15, 2026 Catholic Relief Services*

*During lent we ask parishioners to participate in the CRS Rice Bowl. Please take a bowl with you and follow the calendar. Bowls due on Palm Sunday March 29, 2026*

**Please consider online giving**  
Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you!



You can contribute at our secure site online at [www.rcdlc.org](http://www.rcdlc.org) or the QR code provided. Pueden contribuir en nuestro sitio seguro en linea [www.rcdlc.org](http://www.rcdlc.org) o utilizar el código 'QR' provisto.



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**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

**Prayer**

Jesus, thank you for helping the blind man believe in you.

**Mission for the Week**

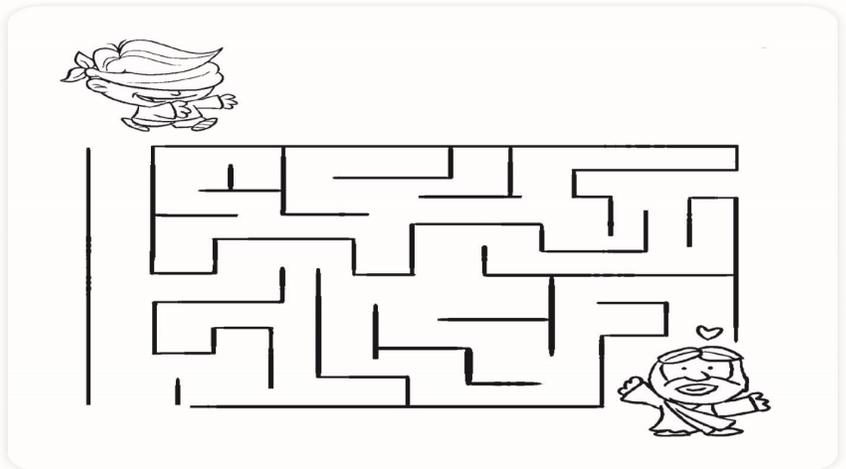
Draw a cross and put it in a place where you can see it and think of Jesus every day.

**Sharing the Gospel**

When Jesus saw the blind man, he did not just walk by. Jesus stopped. He knew he could help the man, and honor God at the same time. Showing all of God's love and power, Jesus healed the blind man's eyes. For the first time in his life, the man could see Jesus and believe in him.

**Now color the picture!** →

Help me to find God!



**Readings for the week of March 15, 2026**

**Sunday:**

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

**Monday:**

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:**

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:**

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Friday:**

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:**

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

**Next Sunday:**

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

**Liturgical Life**

**Questions of the Week**

**Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture**

**First Reading:**

Samuel does not expect the Lord to anoint the young David as Israel's next king. When have you been surprised by God doing something unexpected in your life?

**Second Reading:**

Paul expects the believers in Ephesus to live as children of light and learn what is pleasing to the Lord. What could you do this week that is pleasing to the Lord?

**Gospel:**

Jesus' healing of the blind man causes confusion and even anger to those who do not see him as the Christ. Have you seen or felt God's presence in this season of Lent?

## SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK 2026

- **HOLY WEEK 7:00 AM MASS ONLY MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY.**
- **HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 02, 2026**  
The Lords Supper 7:00 pm Mass with the Altar of Repose until midnight.
- **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 03, 2026**  
Begin the Novena of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross at 4:00 pm in the St. Joseph Cemetery  
Good Friday Service at 5:00 pm
- **HOLY SATURDAY. APRIL 04, 2026**  
NO 7:00 AM OR 5:00 PM MASS  
NO CONFESSIONS @ 10 AM or 5 PM  
Novena of Divine Mercy at 3:00 PM  
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 PM
- **EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 05, 2026**  
Regular Mass Schedule
- **NOVENA OF DIVINE MERCY**  
3:00 pm everyday from Friday April 3rd through Sunday April 12th (Divine Mercy Sunday)

### *Prayer Request*

Mathew Aldama	Raymond Lee	Melissa Ramirez
Jace Dean	Louie Lizalde	Sandra Ramirez
Vanessa S. Dean	Lourdes Lueras	Miguel Reza
Gabriel & Mary Desorey	Bertha & Jesus Maldonado	Socorro Reza
Henry Diaz	Barbie Martinez	Ignacio Romero
Keith Freeman	Nora Medina	Jolene Rosen
Jaime Flores	Rosa Montes	Adelis Ruiz
Josie Gomez	Mike Munoz	Gustavo Ruiz
Frances Escalante	Rosa Orosco	Janie Sandoval
Marcos Infante Jr.	David Rall	Cleofas Tirre
	Esther Ramirez	



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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Stations of the Cross 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
- **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.
- **Chrism Mass Tuesday, March 24, 2026** at 5:30 pm at Immaculate Heart Cathedral
- **Communion Service at 7:00 am** on Tuesday and Wednesday March 24-25, 2026.
- **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. Please contact Greg Goldblatt for more information at 575-640-8834.
- **St. Genevieve's Parish Hall Renovation Committee** is soliciting for 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.

*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 22<sup>nd</sup> • 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