

St. Genevieve Catholic Church

Established in 1859

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY DECEMBER 18, 2022

SAVE



“She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

MATTHEW 1:21

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

Monsignor Juan Moreno

Deacon Louis Roman

Deacon Robert Gallo

Frank Sanchez, Business Manager

Maggie Candia, Bookkeeper

Sandra Guerrero, Secretary

Veronica Garcia, Secretary-DRE-Liturgy

Ofelia Narvaez, Housekeeper

Bertha Hernandez, Housekeeper

Albert Carrasco, Facility/Cemetery Mgr.

Jose Valenciano, Facility Maintenance

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas

Daily Mass / Misa Diaria

7:00 AM Monday to Saturday /Lunes ha Sabado

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

INTENCIONES PARA LA SEMANA

Dec. 17-25, 2022 /17-25 de Dec. de 2022

Saturday 17th—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

5:00 PM Strouse Family by Anna Juarez

Sunday 18th—Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM †Richard T. Alderete by Luis & Romelia A. Eres

9:30 AM Living & Deceased members of Saint Genevieve's Knights of Columbus

11:00 AM †Cuca Gutierrez & †Isidro Rubio by Agnes, Brothers, Ismael, Sonria

5:00 PM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

Monday 19th—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM †Tina Jaquez by Family

†Clara & †Clorinda Vigil by Emma Galvan

Tuesday 20th—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM †Ricardo Medina by Family

†Lupe Mendez & †Terry Martinez by Emma Galvan

Wednesday 21st—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM †Joe H. Jaramillo by Imelda Jaramillo

Thursday 22nd—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM †Frances N. Lucero by Raymond C. Lucero & Family

Friday 23rd—Late Advent Weekday

7:00 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

Saturday 24th—The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Vigil)

7:00 AM NO MASS

4:00 PM †Isidro R. Madrid –Merry Christmas by Wife & Family

7:00 PM †Manuel, †Lawrence, & †Connie Evaro by Estella

Sunday 25th—The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

8:00 AM Carolina Terrazas Tapia por Jose Tapia

9:30 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

11:00 AM †Rose C. Apodaca & Family by Family Blessings for Kenny Chavez & Family

5:00 PM NO MASS

Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of December

In Thanksgiving, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Joseph, & Sacred Heart of Jesus by Priscilla & Andres Lopez

Altar Bread & Wine for the Month of December

In Thanksgiving for the Blessings on Narvaez Family by Delia Narvaez

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign:
the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel. (Is 7:3-4)

PSALM:

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

SECOND READING:

The gospel about his Son, descended from David
according to the flesh,
but established as Son of God in power. (Rom 1:15)

GOSPEL:

The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said,
"Joseph, son of David,
do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.
For it is through the Holy Spirit
that this child has been conceived in her. (Mt 1:20)

Readings for the Week / Lecturas de la Semana

Dec. 18-25, 2022 / 18-25 de Dec. de 2022

Sunday 12/18	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/ Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday 12/19	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday 12/20	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/ Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday 12/21	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Thursday 12/22	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Lk 1:46-56
Friday 12/23	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Saturday 12/24	<i>Morning:</i> 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Sunday 12/25	<i>Vigil:</i> Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 <i>Night:</i> Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 <i>Dawn:</i> Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/ Lk 2:15-20 <i>Day:</i> Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1- 5, 9-14

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

An entire town is wiped out by fire, a tornado rips through several neighborhoods, a bomb claims a maternity hospital and a sudden heart attack takes the life of a soul mate. Life is unpredictable and dramatic. Many buy into the sad illusion that the securities and familiarities we see around us today will remain forever: our homes, our friends, our spouses, our churches, and even our health. We are stunned and shaken by a sudden change, finding ourselves bewildered, mortified, and even embittered. We do not like change, especially change driven by sources beyond our control. Are there any guarantees in life? We often live as if our lives come with lifetime warranties. When they break, they can be fixed or replaced. Such is not the case. Many things are irreplaceable and unable to be fixed. During life's inevitable chaos, God says: "Do not be afraid." Seriously? How can one not be afraid when things are falling apart?

Fear is normal and it has a purpose. It is unrealistic, and somewhat unhealthy, to strive to live without any fear. Fear teaches us lessons and can be



a catalyst to discovering more profound things. What we do with fear and how we understand it is critical. Fear can either cripple us or move us forward. God does not want fear to cripple us. If we look around at all that can change in our lives and consider what we might have to do, we can easily wallow in the mire of self-misery. Or we can step up to the challenge, as Mary did, and do what needs doing! We can stand tall, as did Joseph, and do the right and just thing! What gives us this courage? Faith.

God is with us. This is the focus of our Advent preparations. We need to be reminded that we are not in this alone. God not only made us and loves us, but God keeps us! In the person of Jesus Christ, God is the sign we need to persevere! Do not be afraid and do not be unbelieving! Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life's unpredictability. God has blessed us with the birth of His Son. Trust that He is with us and will not abandon us, even in death.

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

“God is with us.” This is the one constant in the unpredictability of life. The particulars of our lives can change, not only instantly but dramatically. People experiencing a time of peace can easily find themselves at war. Times of prosperity can rapidly become times of want. Our vision for the future can be destroyed, and our securities placed in jeopardy. These final days of Advent allow us to make final preparations. The true safety and security we seek can only come from God. The rest, harmony, and peacefulness we desire are found in God alone. How do we know this to be true? God Himself gave us a sign: Emmanuel, God with us. Do not be afraid, and do not be unbelieving. Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life’s unpredictability. All we need to do is make sure that our hearts are in the proper place and seeking the right things!

DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES - 2023

All couples married in the Catholic Church celebrating their Paper (1st), Silver (25th), Gold (50th) or 50 plus wedding anniversary in 2023, are invited to attend a Mass at St. Peter Parish in Roswell on Saturday, February 11, 2023, or at the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Las Cruces on Saturday, February 25, 2023, and receive a blessing from Bishop Peter Baldacchino.

Couples wishing to celebrate these milestone anniversaries must register with their Parish Priest no later than January 10, 2023 and provide him with a Certificate of Marriage from the Catholic parish where the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony was celebrated, or a recent Baptism Certificate (within the last 6 months) with notations on the back of the Certificate indicating the marriage is recognized by the Church.

For questions, call the Parish Office 575-524-9649.

December 11, 2022

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Next Second Collection

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 St. Vincent De Paul
Jan. 14 & 15 UIM/Projects 2023

November 16, 2022

United In Ministry

# of Donors	103
Cash Paid	\$57,362.62
Total Pledge	\$61,148.27
Goal	\$53,000.00

Prayer Request

Destiny Alonzo & Baby	Carol Lotzer
Guadalupe Alvarez	Armanda Lucero
Margaret Alvarado	Margarito Lucero
Tim Araujo	Linda Martinez
Jameson Arellano	Louie Martinez
Jaime Baker	Raul Martinez
Matthew Baker	Luciano Medina
Victor Banegas	Velia Melon
Baby Ashton Bowman	Angie Mendoza
Lisa C.	Everardo Meza
Sebastian Casaus	Dolores A. Molina
Joshua De La Rosa	Mr. & Mrs. Morales
David Figueroa	Lilly Moreno
Wesley Floyd	Maria Moreno
Karen Frye	Robert Murillo
Riley Garcia	Teresa Murillo
Gracy Garrigan	Aubrey Porras
Eli Gomez	Angel Quinones
Adam Guerrero	Sandra Ramirez
Cristina Guzman	Virginia Rios
Gloria Guzman	Ralph Robles
Sylvia Guzman	Alysa Rodriguez
Kacie Hernandez	Fr. Ruben Romero
Kylie Hernandez	Kasey Romero
Sylvester Hernandez	Joline Rosen
Christina Herrera	Hector Ruiz
Joey Jaramillo	Grayson Saenz
Ronnie Johnson	Erika Salcido
Silas Kelly	Marc Tellez
John Larkin	Jacob Villa
Julie Loera	Terri Villa
Tony Loera	Gregg White
Luna Lopez	Joshua Willhite

Mark your Calendar



Upcoming Events/Holiday Mass

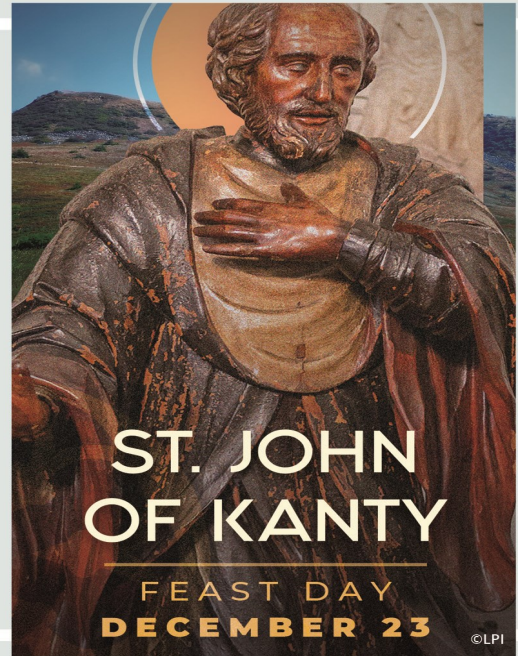
Schedule for December

- **Tuesday, December 20th** – St Genevieve and Knights of Columbus Posadas. Rosary at the parish at 5:30 pm and procession to follow to the hall. Posadas at 6:30 pm.
- **Wednesday, December 21st**—Advent Penance Service at 6:30 pm CONFESSIONS WILL HAVE AT LEAST FOUR PRIEST AVAILABLE
- **Saturday, December 24th**- No 7:00 am Mass **NO CONFESSIONS AT 10 AM OR 4 PM** Christmas Eve Masses at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm.
- **Sunday, December 25th**- Mass at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, and 11:00 am. No 5:00 pm Mass. **NO CONFESSIONS**
- **Saturday, December 31st**- 7:00 am and 5:00 pm. Mass
- **Sunday, January 1st**- Regular Sunday Mass Schedule



St Genevieve Parish and Knights of Columbus Rosary and Posada

Please join us for Posadas on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at St. Genevieve Church. We will begin by praying the rosary at the church at 5:30 pm. After the rosary, we will process from the church to the hall followed by Posadas at 6:30 pm. The potluck dinner will follow the Posadas. Please bring your favorite dish or dessert and invite your family members and friends to join us for an evening of fellowship.



Saint of the Week

Saint John, sometimes called John Cantius, was born in the Polish town of Kanty in 1390. Not much is recorded about his early life, however, he was a bright young man who did well in his studies at the university in Krakow. He earned his doctorate in philosophy and went on to be ordained and earn a doctorate in theology as well.

He began teaching at the university immediately following the conferring of his doctorate in philosophy. Unfortunately, his popularity worked against him, and he was dismissed from his post on false charges. Saint John was reassigned to a post as a parish priest in the town of Olkusz, Bohemia. His parishioners did not receive him with open arms, and he was unsettled in his new position. But John did not give up, his honest care for the people of his parish eventually endeared him to them.

After a time, he was invited back to the university and he returned to teaching, filling leadership roles in the philosophy and theological areas until the end of his long life. Saint John deeply cared for the poor, giving everything but only what he needed to survive away. He lived an aesthetic life but was such an engaging man that he often dined with nobility. Saint John of Kanty died on December 24, 1473. He was canonized in 1767, by Pope Clement XIII. In 1998, a new religious community chose the saint for their patron and the Canons Regular of Saint John Cantius, was formed in Chicago, Illinois.



Come get your \$9.00

Carwash Tickets

At the Parish Office!