

St. Genevieve Catholic Church

Established in 1859

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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
SUNDAY DECEMBER 25, 2022

PROCLAIM



The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.”

LUKE 2:10-11

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. 24, 2023– Jan. 1, 2023

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 Evaro

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

8:00 AM †Carolina Terrazas Tapia por Jose Tapia

†Luis, †Refugio, & †Maria Palacios por Familia

9:30 AM †Adolph B. Saenz by Mary Ellen Saenz

11:00 AM †Rose C. Apodaca & Family by Family

Blessings for Kenny Chavez & Family

†Ernest P. Padilla by Family

5:00 PM NO MASS

Monday 26th—St. Stephen, The First Martyr

7:00 AM Happy Birthday Margie Wireman

Tuesday 27th—St. John , Apostle & Evangelist

7:00 AM †Raymond Carbajal by Sandra Garcia/Family

†Juliette Sanchez by Sandra Garcia & Family

In Thanksgiving to Jesus by Linda Tirre

Wednesday 28th—The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00 AM †JoAnn Peña-Minor by the Garcia's

Happy Birthday Charlie Wireman

Happy Anniversary– Ernesto & Esperanza

Jaquez, Jaime & Cecilia Flores, &

Joe & Socorro Garcia

Thursday 29th—5th Day Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:00 AM †Dino & †Vera Villani by Villani Family

Friday 30th—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:00 AM †Juan Najera by Wife & Family

†Carmen & †Policarpio Padilla by Family

†Charlotte M. Delgado by Family

Saturday 31st—7th Day Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:00 AM †Charlotte M. Delgado by Family

5:00 PM †JoAnn Peña-Minor by Joe & Socorro Garcia

†Gumecindo Ochoa by Family

Sunday January 1, 2023—Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

8:00 AM Para Nuestros Hijos y Sus Familias por

Romelia A. Eres

57th Aniversario De Bodas-Raul & Juliette Smith

9:30 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

11:00 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

5:00 PM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

For a child is born to us, a son is given us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests. (Is 9:5)

PSALM:

Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord. (Ps 96)

SECOND READING:

Beloved:
The grace of God has appeared, saving all. (Ti 2:11)

GOSPEL:

"Do not be afraid;
for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy
that will be for all the people.
For today in the city of David
a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord."
(Lk 2:10-11)

Readings for the Week / Lecturas de la Semana

December 25, 2022– January 01, 2023

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
Monday 12/26	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday 12/27	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday 12/28	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/ Mt 2:13-18
Thursday 12/29	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/ Lk 2:22-35
Friday 12/30	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday 12/31	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/ Jn 1:1-18
Sunday 01/01	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/ Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

As we age, time seems to pass more quickly. Years seemingly fly by as one holiday flows into the next, January quickly becomes December and life maintains its hectic pace. What do we accomplish in all of that busyness? Perhaps technology is responsible for some of the frenzy, keeping us isolated in our social media worlds, communicating through texts rather than in person, and always connected to world events. We're over stimulated in many ways by information, noise, opinions, and ideologies. Yet, we still find the time to decorate our homes, purchase gifts, and plan Christmas gatherings. We know, however, that the true meaning of Christmas is not found in twinkling lights, beautifully adorned trees, perfectly set tables or exchanged gifts. We are being called to something deeper and more authentic.

Christmas reminds us to look for God along the way of our lives and not get distracted by the illusions around us. Our world's complexity can leave us feeling displaced, desperate, alone, neglected, and unimportant. Joseph and Mary felt that way



too. In the midst of all that captures and intrigues us in our self-created virtual worlds, is this longing for the anchor of faith to keep us grounded and make sense of it all. Only faith can give us the perspective to see what truly matters in life. We discover our divinely blessed humanity. The uncertain and challenging journey to Bethlehem gives way to the tender moments of birth and its embrace. Christmas softens us and slows us down a bit. It shows us Jesus as the light who enlightens everyone. It shows us the truth.

The faith that comes from Christmas calms our fears and allows us to go into the nighttime of our lives courageously. We are never lost or alone. We need to stop and savor more of life's moments before they slip away in time. God is with us, loving us, and leading us where we need to be. God is born again and again in every soul willing to give birth to His presence. God connects us and provides us with a place where we feel safe and welcome: home. Merry Christmas!

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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The true meaning of Christmas is not found in the twinkling lights, the beautifully adorned trees, or the exchanged gifts. It is revealed when we find God along the way of our lives, especially when we feel displaced, desperate, and alone. Fleeing from their home, Joseph and Mary cautiously made their way through the uncertain, complex, and dark paths to a longed-for place of safety and welcome. Not sure where to lay their heads, they created makeshift preparations for the birth of their child, the Son of God. God, who always was, is, and will be, without beginning or end is the one constant in life who sees us through difficult and scary times. Jesus is the light, which enlightens everyone, and comes into the world to show us the truth. It is joyful good news that calms our fears and allows us to go forth into the nighttime of our lives, courageously. This is the meaning of Christmas. We are never lost or alone. God is with us, loving us and leading us where we need to be.



Prayer Request

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



Upcoming Events/Holiday Mass

Schedule for December

- **Saturday, December 31st**-
7:00 am and 5:00 pm Mass
- **Sunday, January 1st**-
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

December 11, 2022

1st Collection	\$4993.28
Candles	\$ 97.83
2nd Collection-Religious Retirement	\$ 1013.29
Online Collections Dec 5 to 11	\$ 135.00
Immaculate Conception Holy Day	\$1063.57
Dec.3-4 St. Vincent De Paul Collection	\$2323.33

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

Did you know, you can sponsor...

<i>Altar Bread & Wine (1 Wk)</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>Mass Intentions Week Day</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>Mass Intentions Weekend</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>
<i>Sanctuary Lamp (1 Month)</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>
<i>Prayer Request</i>	<i>Free</i>

Baptismal for January will be celebrated on Saturday the 28th at 10 am. Parents and Sponsors class is Saturday January 14th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Church Conference Room

Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of December

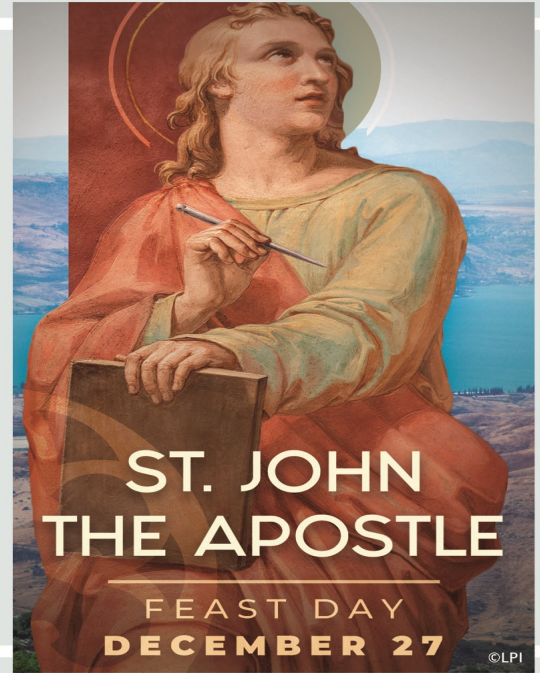
In Thanksgiving, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Joseph, & Sacred Heart of Jesus by Priscilla & Andres Lopez
Altar Bread & Wine for the Month of December
In Thanksgiving for the Blessings on Narvaez Family by Delia Narvaez

St Genevieve Knights of Columbus

Council 13969

4th Annual Fun Fishing Day

Saturday, January 14th from 10:00 am – 3:00pm at the NMSU Alumni Pond. **This is a free event.** It is open to all youths from the ages 5-14. Ages 12 and above will require a fishing license. This event is limited to the **first 75 youths registered** and must be accompanied by a guardian. Please bring your fishing pole and tackle box. If you do not have a fishing pole, some will be available. Snacks will be served. RSVP Luis Garcia at 575-343-7874 or Jaime Flores at 575-993-8634 or by email jm-flores@hotmail.com



Saint of the Week

Saint John was one of the Twelve, part of Jesus' inner circle, among the few that witnessed the Transfiguration, the raising of Jarius' Daughter, and the Agony in the garden at Gethsemane. He and his brother James were the sons of Zebedee and Salome. When Jesus called them, they left their father mending nets and followed him. Jesus called the brothers "Boanerges," meaning "sons of thunder" — they were passionate in their faith and Jesus had to rebuke them for their fiery zeal on more than one occasion. John, the younger brother, possibly the youngest disciple, was the only one present at Jesus' death.

Saint John the Apostle is traditionally thought to be the author of the fifth Gospel, the three Epistles of John, and the Book of Revelation. However, there has been some debate among scholars from antiquity to the present. Tradition also gives him the title Beloved Disciple and John's Gospel sees him seated next to Jesus at the last supper and the one to whom Jesus gives the care of Mary at the crucifixion. Although Church tradition says that John survived the other disciples, living a long life, much of it is steeped in myth and legend. Some say he retired to Ephesus after the crucifixion with Mary and remained there until he died. But in other traditions he is more active. For a time he remained in Jerusalem with the other disciples, then founded churches in Asia Minor. In a legend of his persecution, during the reign of the Emperor Domitian, John is taken to Rome and thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil but preserved from death. He is then exiled to the island of Patmos where the Book of Revelation was written. Most accounts agree that after his exile and the Assumption of Mary he returned to Ephesus where he died sometime after 98, during the reign of the Emperor Trajan.



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