

# 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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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023**

## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” - Mt 5:44

### 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

February 18 to 26, 2023

### Saturday 18th—Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 AM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

5:00 PM †Maria B. Roman by Lou & Mary Helen Roman

### Sunday 19th—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 AM †Nick Secola by Ronna Promani

†Joe Allegrotti by Ronna Promani

For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Genevieve Knights of Columbus

11:00 AM †Jazzmynn Bejarano, †Gilbert Abeyta, &

†Ramon Parra by Family

5:00 PM †Otilia E. Garcia by Martha Enriquez

### Monday 20th—Weekday

7:00 AM †Ricardo Medina by Family

For Healing of Laura Heath by Family

### Tuesday 21st—Weekday

7:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory by Gloria Lithgow

†Repose Souls of Merced & Maria Rel & Family  
by Mascareñas Family

### Wednesday 22nd—Ash Wednesday

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

†Juanita Medrano by Family

12:00 PM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

6:00 PM For Parishioners by Fr. Theo

### Thursday 23rd—Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM †Otilia Eres Garcia by Romelia A. Eres

### Friday 24th—Friday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM †Otilia E. Garcia by Martha Enriquez

### Saturday 25th—Saturday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM †Robert D. Eres by Romelia A. Eres

Happy Birthday Tony Infante & Family

5:00 PM †Jesus Jimenez Happy Heavenly Birthday by  
Family

†Rafael R. Robles by Family

For Healing of Alfonso Holguin by Brother  
& Sisters

### Sunday 26th—First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM †Patsy Reyes por Los Garcia's

† Ramon & †Pilar Hernandez por Hija

9:30 AM †Silvino & †Esther Urrieta by Family

11:00 AM †Albert Vega by Daughter Charmaine

†Gertrude Lindsay by Family

5:00 PM †Sue Freeman by Family

### Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of February

† Kel Valencia Love Mom & Al

### Altar Bread & Wine for the Month of February

In Memory of †Claudio & †Frances Medina

†Bien & †Gloria Barrientos by Roberto & Ada Medina

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.  
I am the LORD." (Lv 19:18)

### Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

### Second Reading:

All belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.  
(1 Cor 3:22-23)

### Gospel:

"You have heard that it was said,  
*You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.*  
But I say to you, love your enemies  
and pray for those who persecute you." (Mt 5:43-44)

## Readings for the week of February 19, 2023

**Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

**Monday:** Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20 6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

**Next Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

#### February 19, 2023/ 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: "But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. "What is unusual about that?" asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— Father John Muir



## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Want to be a real revolutionary? Defy the fallen impulses of human nature. Love your enemy. Pray for your persecutor. Give to those who would take. We can do hard things, Christians. We aren't perfect, but our God is.

**On February 6, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake devastated large areas of central Turkey and northwest Syria. The death toll has surpassed 30,000 and continues to climb.**

**Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Church, is already on the ground offering emergency relief efforts led by local partners with Caritas Turkey, Caritas Syria in Aleppo and Lattakia, and others. They are bringing displaced people to safe spaces and distributing hot meals, clean water, hygiene supplies, and other essentials. They are collecting donations. If you wish to help in these efforts or make a donation, please visit [crs.org](http://crs.org).**

**Let us continue to offer our prayers to our brothers and sisters who mourn losses and face this devastation.**

**NO DIVINE MERCY  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2023**



**THE ENVELOPE COMPANY HAD PRODUCTION ISSUES. THEY WILL SHIP ENVELOPES IN THE NEAR FUTURE. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND PARISHIONER NUMBER ON A BLANK ENVELOPE. BLANK ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

**February 12, 2023**

1st Collection	\$ 5917.56
2nd Collection-UIM/PROJECTS	\$ 907.33
Candles	\$ 66.18
Online Collections Feb 6-12	\$ 175.00

### Up coming Collections

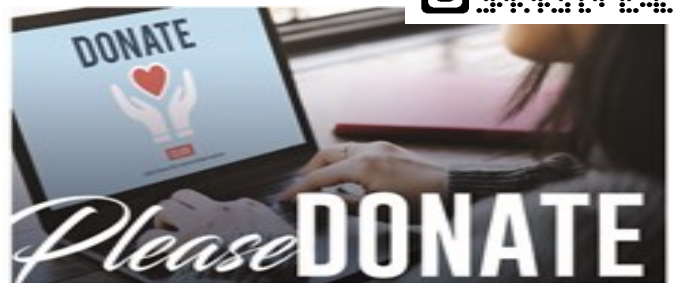
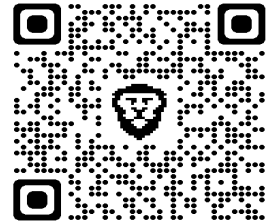
Feb. 19—Handing out of CRS Rice Bowls for Lent  
Feb. 22—Church in Ukraine

**Did you know, you can sponsor...**

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

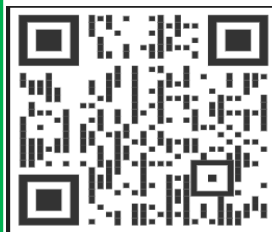
### Please consider online giving

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



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## Prayer Request

Guadalupe Alvarez	Joey Jaramillo
Mary Ann Benavidez	Ronnie Johnson
Modesta Benavidez	Silas Kelly
Bishop Jose Mukala	Everardo Jr. Lopez
Lisa C.	Carol Lotzer
Jeff Carnero	Margarito Lucero
Sebastian Casaus	Richard Lucero Jr.
Alan Castillo	Jane Madrid
Ciprano Castillo	Jimmy Ray Martinez
Stevie Chavez	Tammy Martinez
Joshua De La Rosa	Moreno Family
Erika Delgado	Jose Moreno
Jeanette Ferrales	JoJo Ortiz
Wesley Floyd	Gilbert Peña
Theresa Fresquez	Cecilia Quesada
Emanuel Frietze	Sandra Ramirez
Micaela Frietze	Virginia Rios
Frietze Family	Gregorio Robles
Riley Garcia	Ralph Robles
Joshua Gonzales-	Rosales Family
Willhite	Joline Rosen
Pete Gonzales	Grayson Saenz
Raul Granados	Alejandro Salas
Corine Griego	Erika Salcido
Adam Guerrero	Marc Tellez
Rachel Hecker	Patricia Tellez
Sue Hecker	Two Children Unborn
Sylvester Hernandez	Jacob Villa
Alfonso Holguin	Terri Villa
Otilia Jaquez	

## JOIN US ON ASH WEDNESDAY 02/22/2023 FOR MASS WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

7:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 6:00 pm

We will have a Special Collection for  
the Churches of Ukraine.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

DURING LENT

FRIDAYS

6:15 am & 6:00 pm in the Church

(except for First Friday 03/03/23)

WEDNESDAYS

12:00 pm in the Church

(Starting Wednesday 03/01/23)



## Saint of the week

Venerable Félix Varela was a thought leader, professor, scholar, political leader, and cultural champion for immigrant families. Originally from Cuba, he served in Spain and in the United States as a pastoral luminary in every community he engaged.

## Prayer

*Prayer for Venerable Félix Varela y Morales's intercession*

Holy and righteous God, you created us in your image.

Grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and make no peace with oppression.

Help us, like your servant Venerable Felix Varela,

to work for justice among people and nations, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: -Adapted from Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006), page 60

<https://neatnik2009.wordpress.com/2016/12/10/feast-of-venerable-felix-varela-february-25/>)



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