

St. Genevieve Catholic Church

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

He said, "Jesus, remember me
when you come into your
kingdom." He replied to him,
"Amen, I say to you, today you
will be with me in Paradise."

- Lk 23:42-43

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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23, 2025

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

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 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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

November 22 to 30, 2025

Saturday Nov. 22—Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

7:00 AM †Ernesto Lopez (25th Anniversary of Passing)
by Family

5:00 PM †John Beuyukian by Wife & Son
†Manuel & †Lawrence Evaro by Wife & Mother

Sunday Nov. 23—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 AM †Robert Pena Sr. por Familia
†Juanita & †Ernesto Medrano por Familia
†Esther Rodriguez por Shirley Gonzales
9:30 AM †Shirley Flores

by Stephanie, Zachary & Gabriel Flores
Thanksgiving for Fr. Theo's 20 years of priesthood
and 50 years of life by St. Genevieve Parishioners

11:00 AM †Fr. Rod Nichols, †Romolo Montoya, &
†Sylvia Chavez by Cecilia Montoya

5:00 PM St. Genevieve Parishioners by Father Theo

Monday Nov. 24—Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM †Gregory Blanch and †Fermin Barrientos
by Roberto & Ada
†Robert Ponzini by St. Genevieve
Knights of Columbus

Tuesday Nov. 25—Weekday

7:00 AM †Luis, †Refugio & †Maria Palacios by Lucia

Wednesday Nov. 26—Weekday

7:00 AM For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday Nov. 27—Weekday—Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM †Joshua Gonzales by Sandra Guerrero
†JR Stewart by Misquez Family

Friday Nov. 28—Weekday

7:00 AM (L) Stephen, Dennis, & Doni Lithgow by Mom

Saturday Nov. 29—Weekday

7:00 AM For all The Holy Souls in Purgatory
5:00 PM †Mike Nunez by Terri Arellano
†Jose & †Cruz Lopez by Priscilla & Andres Lopez
†Cesaria Garcia by Joe & Socorro Garcia
†John Beuyukian by Wife & Son

Sunday Nov. 30—First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM †Cesaria Garcia por Andy, Martha & Veronica
†Felix, †Anita, †Manuel, & †Concepcion Garcia
Por La Familia Cruz

9:30 AM Thanksgiving for Fr. Theo's 20 years of priesthood
and 50 years of life by St. Genevieve Parishioners

11:00 AM For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of November

For the Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Garcia Family

Altar Bread for November

In Memory of †Abraham Sr & †Julia, †Bonifacio, †Abraham Jr, †Simon, &
†Dolores Sanchez by Frank & Aurora Sanchez & Family

Altar Wine for November

In Memory of †Ernesto & †Juanita Medrano by Irene Misquez & Family



PARADISE BEGINS TODAY

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

November 23, 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Luke 23:35-43

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me." That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love. What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

— Father John Muir

November 9, 2025

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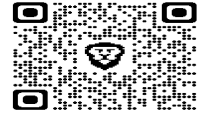
Upcoming Second Collection

December 7, 2025 **RCDLC Priest Retirement**
December 14, 2025 **St. Vincent De Paul**
December 21, 2025 **UIM/Projects 2025**

Mass Intentions Week Day	\$10.00
Mass Intentions Weekend	\$15.00
Prayer Request (1 month)	Free

Please consider online giving

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



United in Ministry

...the essential service of hope

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



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



SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces requires that **all clergy, employees, and volunteers** undergo a background check, participate in a VIRTUS *Protecting God's Children* Training Module and sign a code of conduct **every five years**. New volunteers must create a VIRTUS account and complete the policy requirements before beginning volunteer work. Existing volunteers must login to your account to renew the requirements at:

www.virtusonline.org

For questions or assistance, contact the Virtus Local Administrator at your parish, or Safe Environment Coordinator Mary Frances Garcia mgarcia@rcdlc.org 575-222-42345



Prayer

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to forgive my sins, too.

Mission for the Week

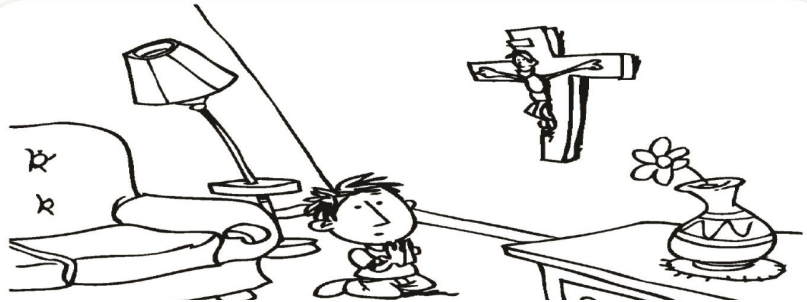
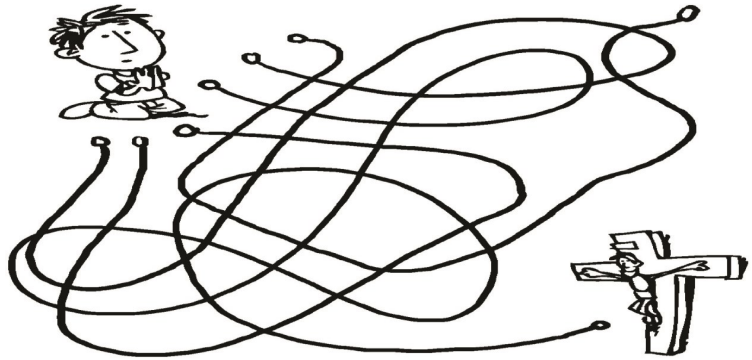
Jesus forgave the people who killed him. He expects you to forgive people who hurt you, too. Think of one person with whom you have been angry. Ask God to help you forgive that person, because Jesus forgives you.

Sharing the Gospel

When the soldiers hurt Jesus, they were only doing their job. They did not understand that they were killing God's Son. Jesus saw into the hearts of those soldiers, and he forgave them. A man next to Jesus on the cross had done terrible things. He knew he deserved to die on a cross, and he was truly sorry. This criminal believed that Jesus was God's Son. Jesus saw into that criminal's heart, and Jesus forgave him, too.

Now color the picture! →

Find the path that leads to Jesus.



Liturgical Life

Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The people of Israel recognized that David was a natural leader, and with the Lord's blessing anointed him king of Israel. What do you think makes someone a good leader?

Second Reading:

Paul offers to the Colossians a beautiful piece of poetry reflecting on how Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth. Can you share a time when you were reconciled with a family member or friend?

Gospel:

Jesus assured the repentant criminal crucified next to him that he would be with him in paradise. Who might you offer words of comfort to this week?

Readings for the week of November 23, 2025

Sunday:

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/ Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday:

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday:

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/ Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday:

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday:

Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday:

Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/ Lk 21:29-33

Saturday:

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/ Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Prayer Request

Emily Agosto	Joe Garcia	Esther Ramirez
Melissa Alderete	Martin Garcia	Melissa Ramirez
Greg Archuleta	Martha Garcia	Sandra Ramirez
Michelle Archuleta	Susie Garcia	Socorro Ramirez
Marty Arellano	Sal Jaramillo	Marisa Ramos
Joel Baca	Alicia Juarez	Richard Rivas
Mary Ann Benavidez	Rosemary Leyva	Gregorio Robles
Missy Benavidez	Bertha Lucero	Bertha Rodriguez
Mary Ann Boe	Richard Lucero	Ignacio Romero
Elias Bernal	Margarito Lucero	Jolene Rosen
Lisa C.	Crystal Lujan-Reyes	Lucille Rowell
Manuela Castaneda	Michael Scott Marquez	Adelis Ruiz
Ramona Chavez	Fred Martinez	Gustavo Ruiz
Jim Corrigan	Gabriel Martinez	Lorraine Ruiz
Debbie	Tammy Martinez	Raynaldo Ruiz
Erika R. Delgado	Bobby Martos	Robert Ruiz
Alexander Diaz	Liz Mauer	Teresa Salaiz
Estrella Diaz	Juanita Mendoza	Cecilia Salas
Henry Diaz	Karen Meza	Michelle Salas
Amanda Dominguez	Lupe Mirabal	Erika Salcido
Paula Dominguez	Adulfa Morales	Steve Silva
Kat Dube	Richard Moralez	Lucio Telles
Albert Evaro	Joanne Myers	Patricia Tellez
Esther Evaro	John Myers	Cleofas Tirre
Janet Evaro	Al Ontiveros	Marcela Valerio
Steve F.	George Ontiveros	Dr. David Valenzuela
San Juana Fitch	Rosa Orosco	Luciano Valverde
Jaime Flores	Paula	Christopher Villa
Sammy Flores	Paul Padilla	Mercy Villa
Gloria Galaz	Thomas Perimon	Beverly Zubia
	Benjamin Pritchard	Leandro Zubia Jr.



Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them as we begin the Advent season with the annual LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST, Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall. Our commemoration of Light up for Christ is part of a larger campaign to keep CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS. On the second Tuesday of December, Knights of Columbus throughout the nation will LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST. On this evening of scripture, prayer and hymns, we symbolize the welcoming of the Light of Christ into our hearts. A light reception will follow. Please bring your favorite Christmas cookies and desserts. The Knights will provide hot chocolate, coffee, tea, and water.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **November the month of the Faithful Departed.** During the month of November we remember all our beloved departed family. Please list them on the envelopes provided or on a piece of paper and place them in the basket that will be at the altar.
- **Christmas Poinsettias** are available for purchase for your deceased loved ones for \$20.00. All Poinsettias will be used to decorate the altar. Please stop by the office to purchase.

Upcoming Events/Holiday Mass Schedule

- **Thursday, November 27th** Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 am. No 7:00 am Mass.
- **Tuesday, December 2nd** Light up for Christ at 6:00 pm at the parish hall. A reception will follow with coffee, hot chocolate and goodies.
- **Monday, December 8th** The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass at 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 6:00 pm.
- **Tuesday, December 16th** Advent Penance Service at 6:00 pm.
- **Wednesday December 17th** St. Genevieve and Knights of Columbus Gran Posadas at 6:00 pm at the parish hall. Rosary at the parish at 5:30 pm and procession to follow to the parish hall.
- **Wednesday, December 24th** Regular 7:00 am Mass Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm.
- **Thursday, December 25th** The Nativity of the Lord Mass at 8:00 am (Spanish), 9:30 am, and 11:00 am.
- **Wednesday, December 31st** 7:00 am Communion Service, **The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Vigil** Mass at 5:00 pm.
- **Thursday, January 1st** **The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God -NO 7:00 am Mass.** Mass at 9:30 only (Holy Day of Obligation).