

# 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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## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.” - Jn 15:1-2

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## SUNDAY APRIL 28, 2024

### 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 Robert Gallo

Frank Sanchez, Business Manager

Maggie Candia, Bookkeeper

Veronica Garcia, Secretary-DRE-Liturg

Susan Brusuelas, 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

April 27 to May 5, 2024

### Saturday

#### April 27—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM

†Ramon Hernandez by Daughter Stella Hernandez

5:00 PM

†Alicia Peña by Villani Family

St. Anthony for answered prayers by Jenny Medina

†Jesus Jimenez by Wife and Children

### Sunday

#### April 28—Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM

†Dora Gonzalez by Marcus Saenz

†Jaime Nieto de parte de la Familia Nieto

9:30 AM

Bishop, Priests & all Lay People

by St. Genevieve Parishioners

In thanksgiving for all Mesilla Valley Farmers

†Pascual Romero Quintal by Wendy & Jose

11:00 AM

†Celia Vega Happy Birthday by Charmaine Vega

5:00 PM

For the living & deceased Brecht Family by Jaime

### Monday

#### April 29—St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and

#### Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM

†Gwendolyn Reilly by Mike Reilly

God's Will for Employment of Daniel

### Tuesday

#### April 30—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM

For Parishioners by Father Theo

### Wednesday

#### May 1—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM

†Magdalena A. Eres by Eres Family

### Thursday

#### May 2—Saint Athanasius, Bishop and

#### Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM

Happy Birthday Debbie Infante

### Friday

#### May 3—Saints Philip & James, Apostles

7:00 AM

†Juanita, †Stephen, & †Marcos Infante

†Jack, †Ruth, †Jim & †Vickie Wireman

†Fr. Ronald J. Burke & †Fr. Narciso Rivera

†Gloria Carrillo, †Cruz & †Jose Lopez

6:00 PM

Living & Deceased Members of the

Sacred Heart League

### Saturday

#### May 4—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM

For the Parishioners by Father Theo

5:00 PM

In Thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for Blessings Received by Jenny Medina

In Thanksgiving St. Anthony & St. Jude for answered

prayers by Estella Evaro

### Sunday

#### May 5—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM

†Francisco de Jesus por la Esposa y Hijos

9:30 AM

†Christopher Ogas by Mom and Dad

†Pasqual Romero Quintal by Wendy & Jose

†Edward Waskowski by Rita Brown

11:00 AM

Bishops, Priests & all Lay People

by St. Genevieve Parishioners

†Rose C., †Ricardo & †Maria Apodaca

by Gilbert Family

5:00 PM

†Eugene Moya by Rodriguez Family

### Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of April

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

### Altar Bread & Wine for April

†Bienvenido & †Gloria Barrientos & †Candido & †Frances Medina  
by Roberto & Ada Medina



## Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

**April 28, 2024**  
**5th Sunday of Easter**

My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, "Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you."

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week's Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, "He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit" (John 15:2) I don't mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I'd wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God's love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn't it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it's not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ's body. Jesus' rising is the brand-new growth. It is God's promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth.

— Father John Muir

April 21, 2024

1st Collection	\$5,927.87
2nd Collection— UIM/Projects 2024	\$1,658.36
Candles	\$ 96.00
We Share April 15 to 21st	\$ 340.00

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 5, 2024 Catholic Home Missions Appeal  
 May 12, 2024 St. Vincent De Paul  
 May 19, 2024 United In Ministry/Projects 2024  
 May 26, 2024 Catholic Communication Campaign

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

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](http://www.rcdlc.org) or the QR code provided. Pueden contribuir en nuestro sitio seguro en línea [www.rcdlc.org](http://www.rcdlc.org) o utilizar el código 'QR' provisto.



**EVERY THURSDAY**  
**YOUTH**  
**NIGHT**



YOUTHS FOR CHRIST - NOW AND FOREVER

FUN | PRAISE | WORSHIP

**SAINT GENEVIEVE**  
**CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM

**6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

## Readings for the week of April 28, 2024

### Sunday:

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

### Monday:

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/  
Jn 14:21-26

### Tuesday:

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/  
Jn 14:27-31a

### Wednesday:

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/  
Jn 15:1-8

### Thursday:

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/  
Jn 15:9-11

### Friday:

1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

### Saturday:

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

### Next Sunday:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

## Liturgical Life

### Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading:

The disciples were unwilling to trust that Saul (Paul) was a true believer until Barnabas offered support for Saul. How easily do you trust people you don't know well?

#### Second Reading:

John speaks of the importance of knowing in your heart that you believe in Jesus and truly love others. How does anyone know what is in their heart?

#### Gospel Reading:

Using the metaphor of a vine and branches, Jesus speaks of the importance of staying connected to him and the Father. When do you feel close to Jesus?



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please contact the parish office to update your parishioner information by Monday May 6, 2024
- **May is the month of Mary**  
We will pray the rosary Monday thru Friday at 6:30 am in English and at 5:30 pm in Bilingual in the church.
- **First Holy Communion Mass**  
Saturday May 4, 2024 at 1:00 pm
- **Crowning of Mary Mass**  
Sunday May 5, 2024 at 11:00 am
- **Confirmation Mass**  
Friday May 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm
- **Graduation Mass**  
Sunday May 19, 2024 at 11:00 am  
Please call the office to reserve your Graduates spot
- **SAVE THE DATE**  
St. Genevieve's Annual Fiesta  
September 28 & 29, 2024  
We will be having a Royal Court. Please contact the office for more detail.

**JOIN THE JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA**

Enrich your life through service to others, your church, your community and the world

The first Saturday of the month @Saint Genevieve's  
Contact RoseMary Medina  
roremarrymedina@gmail.com

Girls from age 6 to 17 are welcome

## Prayer Request

Gilbert Aguilar	Ramon Jaramillo
Christina Ambriz	Rick Leyva
Henry Ambriz	Robert Loera
Richard Archuleta	Dorothy Marquez
Frances Avalos	Fred Martinez
Yvonne Bombach	Msgr. Moreno
Lisa C.	Elycia Medina
Enrique Carrillo	Celina Mercado
Theresa Casarez	Diane Merrill
Estella Castillo	Peña Family
Celeste Conrad	Esther Ramirez
Paula Dominguez	Socorro Ramirez
Doreen	Olivia D Reed
Duran Family	Ralph Robles
Ethel Ebner	Ignacio Romero
San Juana Fitch	Brian Roybal
Petra Flores	Catalina Sanchez
Robert Fulton	Santa Cruz Family
Maria Victoria Gallo	Jewel Sokolowski
Deacon Robert Gallo	John D. Soto
Martin Garcia	Santino Valdez
Alfonso Holguin	Bernie Tovar
Cass Keeler	Tommy Tovar

## Kids Corner

### Prayer

God, help me to stay connected to Jesus.

### Mission for the Week

Read Galatians 5:22-23 with your family. Write down the nine different kinds of fruit that will grow from your faith, when you stay connected to Jesus.



**Baptisms for May will be celebrated on Saturday May 25th at 11:00 am. Parents and Sponsors class is Saturday May 11th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the church conference room. All paperwork on baby, parents & sponsors due by April 15th in the office.**

- **Baptism classes are required for both Parents and Godparents.**
- **Godparents must have received the sacrament of Confirmation.**
- **If married, must be married by the Roman Catholic Church, and receiving the Holy Communion regularly.**
- **If not married, Godparents must not be living with a significant other.**
- **Only one Godparent is required**
- **If two Godparents then one male and one female are required.**

**Please contact the office for more information and to register.**

### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Every Christian is a vine awaiting the loving attention of our gardener to prune and perfect us, to remove the parts of ourselves that are dead so that the fruitful parts burst forth with life. Trust the wisdom of the gardener. He alone can make us bloom.



**Courage!**  
**God has not**  
**abandoned you.**  
**Come and listen.**

**CATECHESIS FOR**  
**ADULTS (13+)**

**TUESDAYS**  
**AND FRIDAYS AT 7PM**

**At St. Genevieve**  
**Church in the Large**  
**Conference Room**