

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



“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

## SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2026

### 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 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

April 25 to May 3, 2026

### Saturday Apr. 25—St. Mark, Evangelist

7:00 AM Healing of Izaiah Lares

5:00 PM †Juliet (Chata) G. Robles by Family

†Lupe Jaime by Terri Arellano

†Frances Avalos, †Esther Evaro, & †Helen Talavera by Estella Evaro

†John Beuyukian by Wife & Son

In Thanksgiving to San Antonio by Lupe

### Sunday Apr. 26—Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM †Pablo Misquez por Familia

†Jose Fernando Lucero Jr. por Familia

9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy by Wendy & José

†Ricardo “Rick” Jacquez by Irene Jacquez

†Bob & †Mary Goldblatt

11:00 AM Healing of Izaiah Lares

5:00 PM For St. Genevieve Parishioners by Father Theo

### Monday Apr. 27—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM †Alicia Pena by Villani Family

†Donald Kopera by John & Karen Frye

Healing of Izaiah Lares

†Johnnie Infante

### Tuesday Apr. 28—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM †Macedonio & †Maria De Jesus Sanchez by Sanchez Family

†Juan Lujan

Healing of Izaiah Lares

### Wednesday Apr. 29—Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM †Gwen, †Ann, & †Thomas Reilly and All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

†Donald Kopera by John & Karen Frye

Healing of Izaiah Lares

### Thursday Apr. 30—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM †Donald Kopera by John & Karen Frye

†Juan Lujan

Healing of Izaiah Lares

### First Friday May 1—Easter Weekday

7:00 AM †Juanita, †Stephen, †Marcos, †Hector, & Johnnie Infante

†Jack, †Ruth, †Jim, †Vickie, †Bobby, & †Vern Wireman

†Fr. Narciso Rivera and †Fr. Ronald Burke

†Gloria Carrillo, †Cruz & †Jose Lopez

†John Beuyukian

6:00 PM For the Deceased and Living Members of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

League of St. Genevieve Parish

†Jesus Marquez Delgado, †Florencio Delgado, & †Ana Quevedo-Torres

Healing of Izaiah Lares

### First Saturday May 2—St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory by Antonia Bencomo

Healing of Izaiah Lares

5:00 PM †Guadalupe “Lupita” Castillo by Husband Carlos & Son John Castillo

†John Beuyukian by Wife & Son

In Thanksgiving to Saint Jude and St. Anthony for answered prayers

by Estella Evaro

### Sunday May 3—Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM †Jessie, †Manuel, and †Vincent Ortega por Ortega Familia

†Christopher Ogas por Familia

9:30 AM For Healing of Gabriel & Mary Desorcy by Wendy & José

†Louie, and †Molly Figueroa, †Julie Corrales and †Missy Corens

by Nancy Holguin

†Bob & †Mary Goldblatt

11:00 AM Healing of Izaiah Lares

†Rose, †Ricardo, & †Maria Apodaca by Gilbert Apodaca

†Donald Kopera by John & Karen Frye

5:00 PM For St. Genevieve Parishioners by Father Theo

### Sanctuary Lamp, for the Month of April

In Memory of Gloria & Bienvenido Barrientos by Ada & Roberto Medina

### Altar Bread for the Month April

In Memory of deceased members of St. Genevieve Sacred Heart League

### Altar Wine for the Month of April

In Thanksgiving for living members of St. Genevieve Sacred Heart League





## A LOVE THAT SURPASSES LOGIC

### Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

**April 26, 2026**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**  
**John 10:1-10**

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

My most boring job was working at an insurance company as a college student. My main task? Filing. Now imagine if I had told my supervisor, "I just want you to know, I'm willing to die for these files." She would have called a psychiatrist — or at least security.

There is something absurd in Jesus' words in today's Gospel: "I am the good shepherd... I lay down my life for the sheep." (John 10:11) It sounds noble, until you think about it. No one dies for sheep. Not a hired hand. Not even a good shepherd. Sheep are important, sure, but not worth a human life.

And yet, Jesus insists: I will die for them. The crowd understandably responds: "He is out of his mind."

C.S. Lewis once said that Jesus does not leave us the option of calling him merely a good teacher. If someone speaks like him, he is either lying, crazy, or telling the truth. John's Gospel won't let us stay sentimental. Jesus means it. He reveals a love that surpasses logic — a love that measures worth not by strength or success, but by the willingness to suffer unto death.

The Good Shepherd's madness is mercy. His cross makes no earthly sense and yet it makes divine sense. He lays down his life not for kings or saints but for sheep — for the ordinary, the unworthy, for you and me.

Think of someone who may feel unworthy of love. Do something simple and generous for them, not because they deserve it, but because Jesus did the same for you.

— Father John Muir

**April 19, 2026**

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| First Collection                   | \$ 7,568.47 |
| Candles                            | \$ 81.00    |
| WeShare April 13 to April 19, 2026 | \$ 250.00   |

### Upcoming 2nd Collections

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|------------|----------------------------------------|
| 05/03/2026 | Saint Vincent de Paul                  |
| 05/10/2026 | Dioceses of Las Cruces Seminarian Fund |
| 05/17/2026 | UIM/Church Project 2026                |

**FRIENDLY REMINDER PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE  
TO: ST. GENEVIEVE PARISH**

### Please consider online giving

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



**2026**  
*United in Ministry*  
**ONE IN CHRIST**

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 linea [www.rcdlc.org](http://www.rcdlc.org) o utilizar el código 'QR' provisto.



**THE LORD  
IS MY  
SHEPHERD;**  
*I shall not want.*

PSALM 23

## Prayer

Jesus, help me hear the right voices, and not follow the wrong voices.

## Mission for the Week

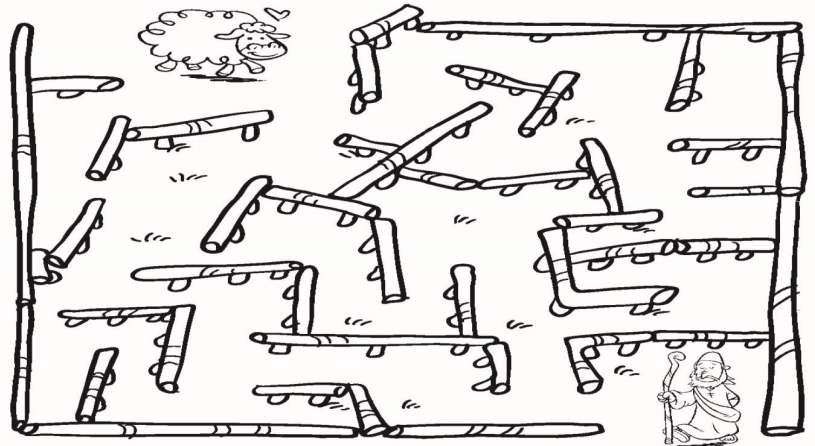
I will listen and follow directions of my parents and teachers right away.

## Sharing the Gospel

You are one of God's sheep. Jesus calls you by name. You recognize his voice. Close your eyes. Listen to the voices of your family and friends. You can tell who is talking by the sound of their voices. You choose to follow Jesus on his path. You love God above everything. You love your neighbor as yourself. You share your toys, money and food with your family and the poor.

Now color the picture! →

Help the sheep find the shepherd.



## Readings for the week of April 26, 2026

### Sunday:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/  
1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

### Monday:

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18  
(second choice)

### Tuesday:

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Jn 10:22-30

### Wednesday:

Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/  
Jn 12:44-50

### Thursday:

Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/  
Jn 13:16-20

### Friday:

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/  
Jn 14:1-6

### Saturday:

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Jn 14:7-14

### Next Sunday:

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/  
Jn 14:1-12

## Liturgical Life

### Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading:

The crowds believed Peter's proclamation that in raising the crucified Jesus from the dead, God made Jesus both Lord and Christ. Why do you believe that Jesus is our Lord and Savior?

#### Second Reading:

Peter speaks of Jesus' wounds healing us. Can you think of a time when you have felt healed by God?

#### Gospel:

Jesus speaks of himself as the gate through which his followers pass and have abundant life. How has believing in Jesus enriched your life?



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



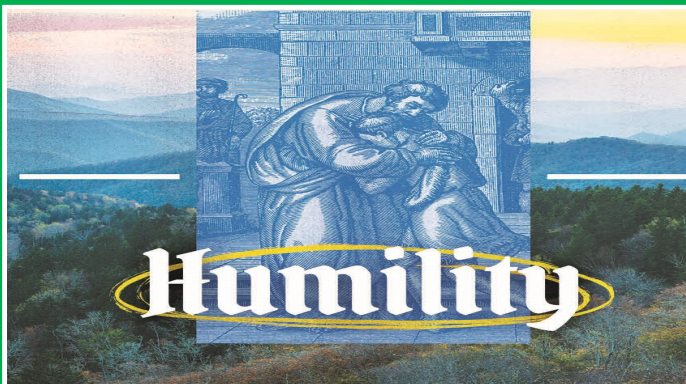
## Prayer Request

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|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Mathew Aldama          | Kellie                   | David Rall        |
| Avalos Family          | Raymond Lee              | Esther Ramirez    |
| Lisa C.                | Louie Lizalde            | Melissa Ramirez   |
| Adriana Cecilia        | Lourdes Lueras           | Sandra Ramirez    |
| Josiah Chacon          | Bertha & Jesus Maldonado | Marisa Rames      |
| Delfino Cordova        | Mary Ann & Family        | Miguel Reza       |
| Jace Dean              |                          | Socorro Reza      |
| Vanessa S. Dean        | Barbie Martinez          | Carlos Romero     |
| Gabriel & Mary Desorcy | Willow Maese             | Ignacio Romero    |
| Andrew Diaz            | Nora Medina              | Jolene Rosen      |
| Henry Diaz             | Richard Moralez          | Adelis Ruiz       |
| Keith Freeman          | Rosa Montes              | Gustavo Ruiz      |
| Jaime Flores           | Mike Munoz               | Ruben D. Ruiz     |
| Gloria Galaz           | Rachel Narvaez           | Janie Sandoval    |
| Josie Gomez            | Edna Ordoñez             | Veronica Soto     |
| Frances Escalante      | Rosa Orosco              | Cleofas Tirre     |
| Marcos Infante Jr.     | Thomas Padilla           | Stella Torres     |
| Sal Jaramillo          | Cheyenna Piceno & Baby   | Luciano Valverde  |
|                        | Baby Quintana            | Leandro Zubia Jr. |



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sister of Jesus the Savior** from Alamogordo will be here selling bake goods next weekend after all the masses.
- **Adult OCIA** classes are starting Tuesday, May 5, 2026. Please contact the parish office for more information.
- **Parishioner Tithing Envelopes**  
We are preparing our annual envelope box set order. If you would like to receive envelopes, be removed, or need your information updated. Please email the parish office at [sgc-church@stgen.info](mailto:sgc-church@stgen.info) or contact the office to update your parishioner information. The deadline is Monday May 11, 2026.
- **May is the month of Mary**  
We will pray the rosary Monday thru Friday at 6:30 am in english and Monday thru Thursday at 5:30 pm bilingual in the church.
- **First Holy Communion Mass**  
Saturday, May 03, 2026 at 1:00 pm
- **Confirmation Mass**  
Saturday, May 09, 2026 at 1:00 pm
- **Crowning of Mary Mass**  
Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 11:00 am
- **Graduation Mass**  
Sunday, May 17, 2026 at 11:00 am  
Please call the office to reserve your Graduates spot.



### Virtues, Explained!

True humility does not require us to ignore, underestimate, or hide our gifts — it merely demands that we use these gifts rightly, with the knowledge that they are from our Creator and meant for His glory, not our own.

### Blessing of the Good Shepherd

Dear Jesus,  
Be the Good Shepherd in my life.  
Help me to know your voice and to respond.  
Help me to find your fold and the paths on which you lead.  
Bless me with verdant pastures and restful waters.  
Refresh my soul.  
Amen.

### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"The sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice," Jesus says. Do we know the voice of Jesus when he speaks to us? Have we spent time in conversation with him? This week, listen for the voice of Jesus in your life, and follow where it leads.