

St. Genevieve Catholic Church

Established in 1859

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Fourth Sunday of **ADVENT**



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

Veronica Garcia, Secretary-DRE-Liturgy

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 December 24 to 31, 2023

Saturday December 23rd—Advent Weekday

7:00 AM For the Parishioners by Fr. Theo

5:00 PM Las Posadas by Ruben & Susie Salcido

Sunday December 24th—Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM †Ramon & †Pilar Hernandez por su hija Estella

†Carolina Terrazas Tapia por su hijo, Jose Tapia

†Ernesto & Juanita Medrano por Familia

9:30 AM †Boni, †Abe, †Simon Sanchez, & †Dolores Sanchez-Salinas
by Frank & Aurora Sanchez & Family

11:00 AM †Rose C Apodaca & Apodaca & Chavez families by Family

Sunday December 24th—Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

4:00 PM †Luis, Refugio, & Maria Palacios by Family

†Gabriel Villa by Family

7:00 PM For the Parishioners by Fr. Theo

Monday December 25th—The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 AM †Ramon Sanchez, †Ofelia Sanchez, & †Mercedez Sanchez
by Ana Fernandez

†Ernest Padilla by his Father Paul

9:30 AM †Anthony Ramirez by Rosie & Raymond Herrera

†Ann & †Thomas Reilly; †Linda Lee Reitz; †Rafael Calero;

†Terry Watson by Gwen & Mike Reilly

11:00AM †Ernesto Rosales “Happy Heavenly Birthday” by
Amanda Rosales & Vince

Tuesday December 26th—Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

7:00 AM Happy Birthday Margie Wireman

Wednesday December 27th—Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist

7:00 AM †Marty Godfrey by Imelda Jaramillo

Thursday December 28th—The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00 AM †JoAnn Peña-Minor by Andy, Martha, & Veronica

Happy Birthday Charlie Wireman

Happy 60th Anniversary Esperanza & Ernesto Jaquez

Friday December 29th—Fifth Day Octave of the Nativity

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

†Jerry Lopez by Wife Anna Lopez

Saturday December 30th—Sixth Day Octave of the Nativity

7:00 AM †Virginia Rios by Mom Lilly

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

†John “Marty” Godfrey by Pete & Veronica Esquibel

Sunday December 31st—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

8:00 AM †Socorro D. Eres por Romelia A. Eres

9:30 AM †Hilario A.; †Irene R.; †Eddie R.; & †Michael R. Herrera

by The Baca & Herrera Families

†Ramona Erlinda & †Meliton Viescas by Family

11:00 AM †Happy Birthday Estella Sanchez

by Frank & Aurora Sanchez & Family

†Rosemary, †Sally, & †Elma by Mother Aggie Vigil

†Rev. John Tickle by Lupe & Leo Reyes

5:00 PM †Socorro Eres by Martha Enriquez

†Mary Louise By Sister Aggie Vigil

Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of December

†Kel Valencia

Love Mom & Al

Altar Bread & Wine for December

In Memory of †Boni, †Abe, †Simon Sanchez &

†Dolores Sanchez-Salinas

by Frank & Aurora Sanchez



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

December 24, 2023
4th Sunday of Advent

Life is troubling. Who among us has not struggled with anxiety and difficulties, sometimes massive ones? I certainly have, as have many of my loved ones. If we do, does this mean that we don't trust the Lord or just need to toughen up?

I don't think so. How encouraging for us anxious and troubled souls to hear Luke describe the Blessed Mother Mary in these words, "But she was greatly troubled at what was said." An archangel has visited her. An inconceivable promise has been made to her. Her life has become wildly unpredictable, perhaps more so than any person before or since. The first point for us: the Lord is with her precisely when she is troubled. Her anxiousness and God's presence are not mutually exclusive. Christianity is not about a trance-like robotic indifference. It's about the presence of divine love. Even in — especially in — troubled circumstances.

Our troubled soul can become our greatest treasure. What seems so troubling at first to Mary becomes the best possible thing, Jesus, the Savior and Lord, is now her son. All the difficulties and troubles remain, and yet her movement into the fullness of God is accelerated. What is troubling you right now? This scripture invites us now, this week, to hear the Lord's messenger say to us what he said to Mary, "Do not be afraid! You have found favor with God."

— Father John Muir

December 10, 2023

1st Collection	\$6,805.99
2nd Collection-Retirement Fund	\$2,159.60
Holy Day—Immaculate Conception	\$1,949.91
Candles	\$ 63.00
We Share Dec 4 to 10	\$ 130.00

December 17, 2023

Figures not available at time of publishing
United in Ministry Update 07/31/23

# of Donors	91
Cash Paid	\$63,869.91
Total Pledge	\$66,197.41
Goal	\$55,500.00





THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

“For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.” Lk 2:11

Prayer Request

Terry Armijo	Delia Narvaez
Napaleon Bustamante	Audie & Ben Padilla
Lisa C.	Juana Padilla
George Chip Sr.	Guy Placencio
Matilde Evaro	Janie Quintana
Jacob Flores	Ramona Rodriguez
Wesley Floyd	Art Sanchez
Nadia & Baby Manuelito Fuentes	Olivia Sanchez
Maria Victoria Gallo	Ricardo Sanchez
Deacon Robert Gallo	Kathy Saucedo
Denise Gayton	Ariston & Amy Sillana
Jim Glasscock	Cesar Suarez
Isaac Gomez	Fela Tellez
Monica Gutierrez	Patricia Tellez
Vivian Herrera	Richard Tellez
Anthony Henderson	Trinity Van Akkeron
Otilia Jaquez	Aaron Zamora
Silas Kelly	Danny Zavala
Alfredo Lopez	Hilario Zavala
Msg. Moreno	Joe Zubia

Readings for the week of December 24, 2023

Sunday:

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

Monday:

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/
Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 *Dawn:* Is 62:11-12/Ps
97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 *Day:* Is
52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn
1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Tuesday:

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and
8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday:

1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday:

1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8/
Mt 2:13-18

Friday:

1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/
Lk 2:22-35

Saturday:

1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40

Next Sunday:

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps
128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12,
17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40



Upcoming Events/Holiday Mass Schedule for December

- **Sunday, December 24th 4th Sunday of Advent Regular AM Mass No 5:00pm Mass. Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm**
- **Monday, December 25th The Nativity of the Lord Mass at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, and 11:00 am. No 5:00 pm Mass**
- **Sunday, December 31st The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Regular Sunday Schedule**
- **Monday, January 1st The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (Not a Holy Day of Obligation in the USA this year) NO 7:00 am Mass. Mass at 9:30 only.**

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES - 2024

All couples married in the Catholic Church celebrating their **Paper (1st), Silver (25th), Gold (50th) or 50 plus wedding anniversary in 2024**, are invited to attend a Mass at the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Las Cruces on Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., and at St. Peter Parish in Roswell on Sunday, February 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., and receive a blessing from Bishop Peter Baldacchino.

Couples wishing to celebrate these milestone anniversaries only, must register with their Parish Priest no later than January 25, 2024 and provide him with a Certificate of Marriage from the Catholic parish where the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony was celebrated, or a recent Baptism Certificate (within the last 6 months) with notations on the back of the Certificate indicating the marriage is recognized by the Church.

For questions, call the Parish Office.