

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020**

**ST. GENEVIEVE CHURCH**

**Established in 1859**

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**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

**Clergy**

Rev. Theophine Okafor-Administrator

Monsignor Juan Moreno

Deacon Louis A. Roman

Deacon Steve Apodaca

**Office Staff**

Maggie Candia-Office Manager/

Bookkeeper

Rebecca Archuleta-Parish Secretary

Ofelia-Housekeeper

**Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday  
9am-4pm, Friday 9am-12noon.  
Closed daily from 12—1 PM. Parish office doors are locked, please call us to open the door on your arrival.

**Parish Hall** 523-0974 or 640-5633

**E-mail** [sgcchurch@qwestoffice.net](mailto:sgcchurch@qwestoffice.net)

**Mass Schedule**

**Daily Mass** (Mon-Sat) 7:00 AM

**First Friday** 6:00 PM

**Saturday** 5:00 PM in church

**Sunday** 7:00 AM (*Español*) in church; 9:00 AM-parking lot live-streamed; 11:00 AM in church; 5:00 PM in church

**Holy Days** 7:00 AM & 6:00 PM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 10:00-10:30 AM

**\*All classes cancelled until further notice**

**Religious Education for Children**

Saturdays 9:00 AM

Cuca Medina, Grades 1-6

**Religious Education for the Youth**

Sundays 9:00 AM

Joey Valenzuela, Grades 7-12

**RCIA Adults & Children, Sundays**

and Tuesdays, Lucy Leyva

**Adult Confirmation**

Monday 7:00 PM Dcn. Louis

Román

**First Saturday Rosary** 10:00 AM

**St. Vincent De Paul** Thursday

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM at Parish Hall

**Marriage**

Please call the office 6 months in advance for preparation.



**19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF  
August 8-15, 2020**

**Daily Mass 7:00 AM, Sunday Masses 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM  
are livestreamed on our Facebook Page**

[www.facebook.com/Saint-Genevieve-Catholic-Church-105694701070633/](http://www.facebook.com/Saint-Genevieve-Catholic-Church-105694701070633/)

**Saturday (8th)**

5:00 PM †Luis & Tomasa A. Cabrera by Luis and Romelia Eres.  
†For the Soul of Joe C. Garcia by Socorro and Jose Garcia  
†Dolores Gallagher & Armijo Families  
Happy 22nd Wedding Anniversary Ernie & Nora Herrera by Franciscan Brothers

**Sunday (9th)**

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9:00 AM †Roy Perea by Family  
11:00 AM †Homer Garza III by Family  
5:00 PM †Dorothy Fleming by Dolores Fleming  
†Frank B. Duran Jr., by Esther Duran

**Monday (10th)**

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr  
7:00 AM

**Tuesday (11th)**

St. Clare, Virgin  
7:00 AM The Virgen de Guadalupe by Lola Contreras

**Wednesday (12th)**

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious  
7:00 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph & St. Anthony for answering prayers by Agnes Gonzales

**Thursday (13th)**

Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priests, Martyrs  
7:00 AM †Jose Smith by Marlena Smith  
†Sherry Powell

**Friday (14th)**

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr  
7:00 AM †Ramona Pacheco (Birthday) by Family

**Saturday (15th)**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
5:00 PM †Jimmy Carrillo by Wife Dawn Gonzalez  
†Dolores Gallagher & Armijo Families

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**August 16, 2020** Catholic Charities of Southern NM  
**August 23, 2020** UIM/Projects 2020

**Mass Intentions for 2021**

The Mass Intention Book for the year 2021 is open. Call the office during regular business hours to place your Mass intentions. Intentions for daily Masses are \$10 and intentions for Sunday Masses (including Saturday 5 PM) are \$15. So that we may better assist you, please have dates, names, and mass times written down in advance. Thank you!

**Mass Intentions, Intentions for Sanctuary Lamp, Altar Bread and Altar Wine**

We have plenty of dates available for daily and Sunday Mass intentions, as well as for Altar Bread, Altar Wine and Sanctuary Lamp intentions. Call the office during regular business hours and we will be happy to help you!

**Readings for the week of August 9, 2020**

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a / Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8] / Rom 9:1-5 / Mt 14:22-33  
Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10 / Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5] / Jn 12:24-26  
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4 / Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131[103a] / Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 / Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [4b] / Mt 18:15-20  
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/ Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 [cf. 7b] / Mt 18:21—19:1  
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 / Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [1c] / Mt 19:3-12  
Saturday: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 / Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8] 1 Cor 15:54b-57 / Lk 11:27-28

**August 2, 2020**

**1st Collection for Sunday**

**\$3,984.98**

**2nd Collection St. Vincent de Paul**

**\$1,497.85**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY**

Gabriel Ambriz  
Alice Avalos  
Eloy Avalos  
Julie Loera  
Robert Loera  
Angie Nuñez-Sanchez  
Bernie Tovar  
Alex Tovar  
Liz V.  
Raphel Villa

Please contact the  
Parish office to add  
names to the Prayer  
List.

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

**La Posta in Historic Old Mesilla**

*If you are interested in placing an advertisement for your business, please call call 1-800-950-9952 ext. #267  
Personal ads for loved ones can also be placed at this same number.*

**REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE**

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel, contact the Victim's Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Las Cruces at (575) 523-7577.

**JUST A REMINDER...**

Your generosity & support of our parish is sincerely appreciated. When making check donations, please make Sunday and Second Collection checks **payable to St. Genevieve Parish. EXCEPT donations to St. Vincent de Paul Ministry.** Please make checks directly payable to St. Vincent de Paul Ministry or SVDP. Thank you for your help!

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR MASS!**

As we gather to worship, social distancing style, here are a few friendly reminders:

**For those who plan to attend mass inside the church...**

Please sit in the designated areas. A face mask must be worn at all times while in the church. At the reception of communion, you will receive the Eucharist in your hand, step to the side, pull your face mask down to take communion and replace your mask. At this time we are limited to having 62 people in the church. A sign will be posted on the church door if we have reached the occupancy limit. Cleaned and sanitized missalette and hymnbooks are located in the foyer of the church. If you use one during mass, please leave it in the pew at the end of mass so that it can be sanitized. The church will need to be sanitized after each mass. Please help us by leaving the kneeler down where you sat so that we will know which areas need to be sanitized. Thank you for your help!

**2020 UNITED IN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN**

*Our Goal—\$72,366*

*Pledged—\$40,375*

*Paid—\$21,634.85*

**Number of Donors—135**

*Thank you for your gift!*

If you've not yet made a gift to UIM, please prayerfully consider mirroring the love of Christ and put your faith into action and make a gift to this year's UIM appeal—we need your help to reach our parish goal of \$72,366. Even a small gift can make a big difference. Pledge envelopes are available on the tables at the back of the church. Please return your completed pledge envelope to the parish office. Another option is to make a gift online at [www.rcdlc.org](http://www.rcdlc.org). God Bless you!

**ONLINE PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS**

Agape Catholic Ministries ([agapecatholicministries.com](http://agapecatholicministries.com)) is offering online baptism instruction available in English and Spanish. This class is an engaging, interactive way for parents and Godparents to prepare together for their infant child/Godchild's baptism and the life-long responsibility of passing on their Catholic faith. Features: Catholic, Simple, Effective; Solid Catholic teaching of the faith from a reliable source; A one of a kind opportunity for parents and godparents to grow together in their faith; A convenient, low cost way for parents and godparents who already have children to prepare without having to find a babysitter; Is available 24/7 online, worldwide. For more information, please visit [www.agapecatholicministries.com](http://www.agapecatholicministries.com)

**Enchilada Fundraiser Correction**

Gross Income: \$5,994.94

Expenses: \$ 456.81

Net Income: \$5,538.13

Once again thank you to all who made time to support this fundraiser. Many volunteers support the church on their days off, some take time off from work, some support after a long days work, some sacrifice family time to support – your volunteer support does not go unnoticed and is deeply appreciated! A million thanks!

**Kissing the Altar at Mass**

**Question:**

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

**Answer:**

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

**Answer Continued:** These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10).

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1382-1383).