

December 6, 2020 • Second Sunday of Advent

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

Monday: Communion Service: 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday-Friday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass & Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help; Adoration & Benediction
9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

RECONCILIATION

By appointment and 30 minutes before each Mass on the weekend.



Saint Genevieve Catholic Church continues to be a vibrant and welcoming family of people from diverse cultures who joyfully worship and work together to know and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. We strive to meet the changing needs of our community, both physical and spiritual, by encouraging our parishioners to become involved using their many talents and various gifts. We strive to increase participation at Mass, work for racial harmony, strengthen and promote family unity, support the needs of the elderly, and serve as advocates for the youth.

Second Sunday of Advent Mass Intentions



Saturday, December 5, 2020

4pm Mass: Ronald Levy, Deacon George Menges, Darnell Evans, Eric Pichon, Leona & Blanchard Robert, James, Florence & Helen Broyard, Anthony, Carol, Craig & Richard Doby, Charley Larks, Glenn, Theresa & Frederick Faciane, Wilfred & Agnes Trouillier, Betty Pichon, Sybil Oteri, Gerald & Barry Begue, Peggy Phillips, Albert Roberts

Sunday, December 6, 2020

7am Mass: Parish Family

9am Mass: Deacon Paul Mumme, Wilber, Lorraine & Joy Navarre, Corbert Wayne Cousin, Yvette Fontenot, Keith Dampier, Yvonne Hover, Oscar H. Martinez, Debra Fridley, Steve Prevot, Richard & Sylvia Ducre & deceased children, Benoit Devezin, Kathy McAcy-DeJohn

11am Mass: Lin Holmes



Special Mass Schedule for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, December 7, 2020 Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

Mass Intention: Joyce Barrios

Tuesday, December 8, 2020 Masses at 8:00am & 7:00pm

Mass Intention: 8:00am for Lillian Faciane

7:00pm for our Parish Family



8:00 am Weekday Mass Intentions

Mon., December 7th Communion Service

Tues., December 8th Lillian Faciane

Wed., December 9th Doby Family

Thur., December 10th Cody Doucette

Fri., December 11th Lanell Balancier



Readings for the Week of December 6, 2020

Sunday **Second Sunday of Advent;**
Is 40:1-5,9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2Peter3:8-14;
Mark 1:1-8

Monday **St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor/Church**
Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday **The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**
Gen 3:9-15,20; Ps 98:1-4; Ep 1:3,6,11-12;
Luke 1:26-38

Wednesday Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4,8,10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1,9-13; Mt 11:11-15

Friday Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4,6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
Zec 2:14-17; Ps (Judith 13:18-19)
Luke 1:39-47

Sunday **Third Sunday of Advent**
Is 61:1-2,10-11; Ps (Luke1:46-50,53-54;
1Thes 5:15-24; John 1:6-8,19-28



Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Advent is a season of preparation and today's readings emphasize our need to prepare for the Lord's coming. But Isaiah also gives us words of comfort and hope. The Lord's coming is a sign of God's generosity. The Second Letter of Peter tells us to conduct ourselves in holiness & devotion, echoing John the Baptist's call for repentance. As we prepare the way of the Lord, let the word of God inspire us.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for December: For a life of prayer:

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



The Sanctuary Light in the Church Burns
in Loving Memory of
Keith Dampier



The Sanctuary Light in the Chapel Burns
**In prayer to Our Lady of Prompt Succor
for protection and healing from the virus
for our Parishioners and their Family**



Prayer for Vocations



Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our archdiocese to hear Your call to serve. Our needs are great and our people thirst for Your presence. Open the hearts of many and raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated holy priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers, who will give of themselves for Your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith.



Eucharistic Adoration

Do you want to grow in love and holiness? Come! Spend quiet time with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration and develop a personal relationship with Jesus. You will be very glad you did when difficulties come your way. Every Tuesday, adoration times are from 9am to 7pm in the church.



Sacrament of Baptism and Matrimony



Please call the Church Office before making any plans for your upcoming marriage or baptism. Please allow at least 8 months for wedding preparation and 3 months for baptism preparation.



Funerals & Memorial Services

Please call the Church Office (985-643-3832) to make arrangements for the Funeral Service, Mass or Memorial Service for your loved one. **Please do not make any final arrangements with the mortuary until speaking with the Office, we have information you will need when planning the services.**

**THERE IS NO FEE TO USE THE CHURCH
FOR A FUNERAL OR MEMORIAL SERVICE**



**"Make happy those who are near and
those who are far will come."**
(Chinese proverb)

**"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." (Isaiah 40:3)
How will you make straight his paths?**



***Our Prayer Line is Open!
Mary Bell Neck, 985-781-1030
for immediate prayer***



***Please pray for Those
On our Prayer List***

Names on our prayer list will remain on the list for 30 days from the date of the request. If after that time, prayer is still desired, please call the office and we will add the name to the prayer list for another 30 days. We apologize for any inconvenience, and thank you for your understanding.

Adams, Barry Richard
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Caronna, Linda
Devezin, Pearl
Hatfield, George
Johnson, Bob
Keys, Michael
Larive, Laura
Navarre, Gwen
Royal, Claydell
Strecker, Patricia
Warren, Carolyn
Whitehead, Zelma
Wooten, Sandra

Adams, Christy
Aymond, Gregory
Cooper, Jimmie Lou
Faciane, Wilhelmina
Hillery, Irma
Kerr, Anna
Keys, Miquel
Lungay, Fr. Roel
Porter, Nicole
Strecker, Mark, Jr.
Tolbert, Larry
Whitehead, Richard
Wooten, Charle



Candle Sales in Office

Glass six-day Saint candles, six-day candle inserts and small votive candles are available in the Office during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30am until 4:00pm. Glass Saint candles are \$5.00 each, six-day candle inserts are \$3.00, votive candles are two for \$1.00. We also offer Holy Water bottles for \$1.00 each—the Holy Water is free!



Poinsettia Memorials



To add your loved ones to our list of Poinsettia Memorials, please use the space below. To help defray the cost of preparing our church for the Christmas season, a stipend of \$10 per memorial or two for \$15. Please print legibly:

Please mail form and check to the office or simply place in the collection basket. Thank you!

***2020 Christmas Schedule
2021 New Year Mass Schedule***

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 23, 2020
5:00PM until 6:30PM



Christmas Eve Masses

Thursday, December 24, 2020

*Christmas Vigil Masses at 4:00PM and 6:00PM



Christmas Masses

Friday, December 25, 2020

Early Morning

Christmas Midnight Mass (12:00am)

Christmas Day

10:00AM



New Year's Eve and Solemnity of Mary

Thursday, December 31, 2020

Vigil Mass 7:00PM



New Year's Day

Friday, January 1, 2020

8:00AM

*Please be aware, to allow more parishioners to attend Christmas services, the Christmas Vigil Masses at 4:00pm and 6:00pm will be live streamed to the Family Life Center. Also, the Sacrament of the Eucharist will be available in the Family Life Center for those in attendance.



***Happy Birthday
December Babies!***

Greg LaCroix, 1st
Lisa Vasquez, 4th
Pat LaCroix, 5th
Freddy Narcisse, 14th
Gail Dinot, 15th



Dorothy Whitehead, 23rd
Marion Stauter, 26th
Cynthia Roberts, 29th
John Breaux, 30th
Dwight Cousin, 31st

God's Blessings and Many Happy Returns!

Please call the Church Office
to add your Birthday or Anniversary



Newly Baptized

On Saturday, November 28, 2020

Jrue Anthony Pichon

Child of John & JaRita Pichon



Welcome to Christ's Family!

Youth Ministry News



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for 5th to 12th grade



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Caroline Papa
Speaker



DECEMBER
07
6:30 pm - 9 pm

MUSICAL GUEST
Rita West



St. Genevieve Youth Ministry Live Streaming Masses

While we continue to fight Covid-19, the dispensation handed down by Archbishop Aymond relieving us of the obligation to attend Mass is still in force. In order to bring Mass to those who prefer to stay home or those who may be experiencing illness, the Youth Ministry is gracious enough to live-stream our 9:00am Sunday Mass. To watch the 9am Mass from the comfort of your home you can either go to our website, www.stgenevieve.us and locate the "St Gen Live Stream" or the "Youth Ministry" and click. Either will take you to the Youth Ministry Facebook page where the live stream will be available. Many thanks to our Youth Ministry for their service to our parishioners!



Special Needs Ministry
Helping Hands Gift Shop
Open Special Hours!



The Special Needs Ministry Gift Shop, located in the rear of the Family Life Center, **IS OPEN** for all your Christmas shopping needs now through December 20, 2020 on Saturdays after the 4:00pm Mass and on Sundays after the 9:00am Mass, and as always, by appointment. For an appointment please call Dottie Rumore at 504-274-8417. Masks are required.

The Helping Hands Gift Shop has all your spiritual Christmas gift essentials for your Blessed and Safe Christmas!



Special Needs Helping Hands Gift Shop Silent Auction

The Helping Hands Gift Shop is having a Silent Auction. We have 3 items open for bid:

- ◆ Two wooden Sacred Heart plaques made by Dr. John Breaux, the artisan who created our Altar
- ◆ One beautiful Last Supper tapestry

Bids will be accepted until Sunday, December 20, 2020 at Noon. Please pass by after 4pm Saturday mass or 9:00am Sunday Mass in our St Genevieve Hall and take a look!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Genevieve Conference Celebrates Christmas 2020

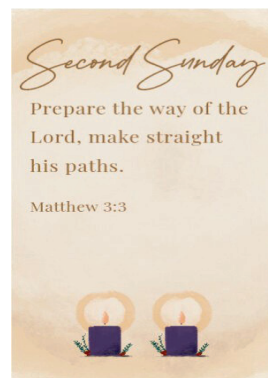
The first 50 approved applicants will be given a Christmas Gift Card. Applications will be accepted, in person only, on the following days:



Monday, December 7th
Monday December 14th
Both days from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon
At Mother Henriette Delille Center
35382 Hwy. 433 Slidell, La 70460
985-445-4720



On the **second Sunday of Advent**, the **second purple** candle **called** the "Bethlehem Candle," is lit. This candle represents love and symbolizes Christ's manger.





Made for More: with acclaimed speaker Christopher West and musician Mike Mangione, is an evening of beauty and reflection that weaves music, video, images and the spoken word into a message of hope that there really is a banquet of love that corresponds to the deepest hunger of our hearts. The event will take place at St. Dominic Church, 775 Harrison Ave, New Orleans, LA 70124 in Lakeview at 7pm on December 10, 2020. S

Southshore Morning of Reflection: A special Advent Morning of Reflection "The Holy Family: Jesus, Mary and Joseph" sponsored by the Catholic Women in Action Committee of the Catholic Community Foundation will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at St. Stephen Church on Napoleon Avenue in New Orleans. Mass followed by reflections by Msgr. Christopher Nalty and Dr. Sheryl Smith will be offered. In-person seating for the event is limited and reservations are required. The event will be live-streamed on the Catholic Community Foundation's YouTube channel.

Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration: We are pleased to announce that the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host an annual wedding anniversary celebration for those couples who have been married for 25 years. The 2021 Silver Anniversary celebration will take place on **Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** at St Joseph Church in New Orleans. This event is only for couples married in the year 1996 in celebration of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. **Please Note:** This celebration **will not be a Mass**, but a **prayer service**. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish. **(To register, please contact the parish office before January 15, 2021).**

Mass Honoring St. Lucy of Syracuse: The 93rd annual Mass honoring St. Lucy of Syracuse, the patron saint of eye diseases, will be at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 1139 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd., New Orleans, on Saturday, December 12, 2020 at 4 p.m. The St. Lucy relic will be offered for veneration. ***All City of New Orleans pandemic requirements shall apply, including reduced capacity, social distancing, and face masking. For those unable to attend, it is anticipated that the Mass will be available online, with a link at oldstpatricks.org.

ARISE! Ministry in a Time of Innovation, 2020 National Leadership Forum for Ministry with Young Adults, December 7 – December 11, 2020
The USCCB National Advisory Team on Young Adult Ministry invite all young adult ministry leaders and those who may be involved in ministry with young adults to participate in the 2020 National Leadership Forum on Ministry with Young Adults, happening virtually December 7-11, 2020. Take part in live keynote presentations and creative conversations with other ministry leaders from around the country as well as build up your ministry toolbox with video workshops from ministry leaders. Cost of the Forum is \$30 (increased to \$40 on December 1). Registration and more information can be found at www.natyamforum.com. Locally contact James Behan, Associate Director for at jbehan@arch-no.org.

Catholic Trivia Questions

Find Answers in next week's bulletin



- What lamp must burn either olive oil, beeswax, or vegetable oils at all times?
A. Sanctuary lamp **B.** Paschal lamp **C.** Altar Votive
- In order to fulfill the obligation of attending Mass, one must be present during what parts of the Mass?
A. The Offertory, the Canon and the Communion
B. The Gospel, the Homily and the Communion
C. The Entrance Antiphon, the Gospel and Final Blessing
- Who was the first apostle to be martyred?
A. St. Thomas **B.** St. Paul **C.** St. James

Answers to last week's questions:

- What term refers to the science of the defense and explanation of the Christian religion? **B.** Apologetics
- To whom did Christ promise the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven? **A.** Peter
- The Church Triumphant refers to members of the church who reside where? **C.** Heaven



Retirement Fund for Religious

December 12 & 13, 2020

Please give to those who have given a lifetime In good times and bad the senior religious have dedicated themselves to God's work. Nearly 30,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests in the United States have educated the young, tended the sick, and ministered to the needy. Today, they pray for a world that is hurting. Yet many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Your tax-deductible gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. **Your generosity is appreciated!**



Weekly Collections & Expenses

November 22, 2020

Weekly Expenses	\$8,585.47
Weekly Collected	<u>\$5,712.00</u>
	-\$2,873.47

Weekly Clarion Herald Payment	\$82.00
Clarion Herald Collected	<u>\$9.00</u>
	-\$73.00

Campaign for Human Development	\$1,024.00
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November 29, 2020

Weekly Expenses	\$8,585.47
Weekly Collected	<u>\$3,708.00</u>
	-\$4,877.47

Weekly Clarion Herald Payment	\$82.00
Clarion Herald Collected	<u>\$68.00</u>
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