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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm
Saturday/Hispanic	7:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 & 10:00 am
Monday– Friday	8:30 am

CONFESSIONS

A half hour prior to every Mass.
in Spanish– Friday & Saturday
Other times upon request.

FIRST FRIDAY

Adoration	9:00 am-7:00 pm
Benediction	7:00 pm

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Rev. Darwin Flores' Office Hours: Fridays 9:30am-12pm

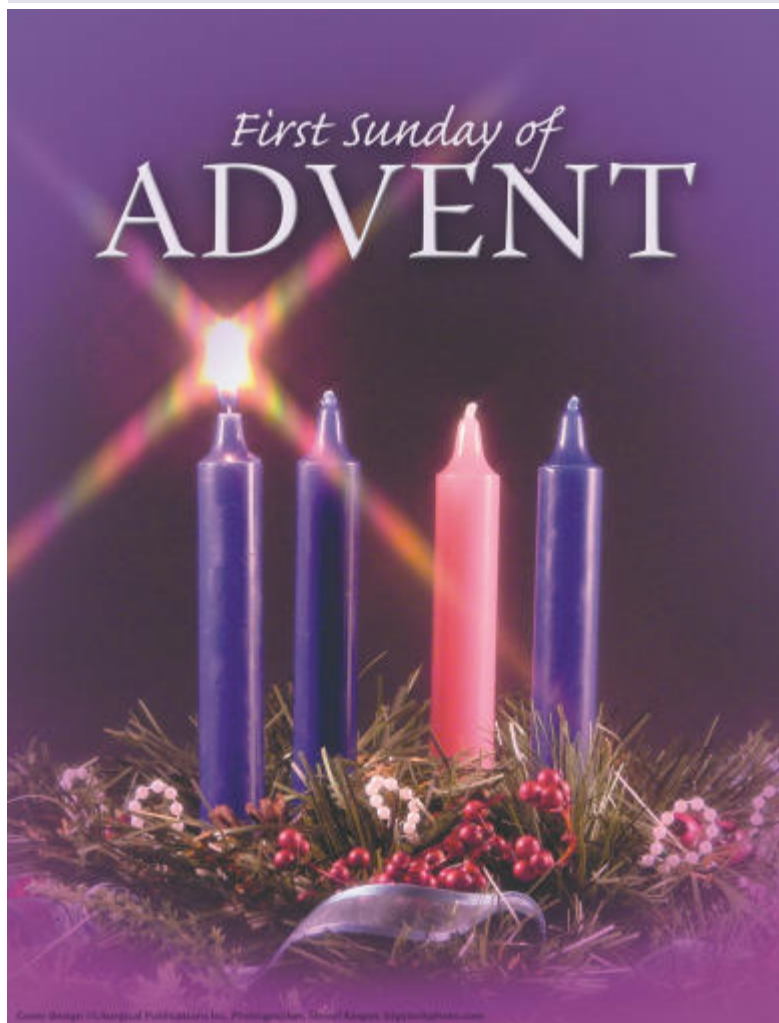
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Catherine of Genoa is one Roman Catholic family.
Our mission is to get to Heaven by living the Gospel.
We welcome you to join us on our journey.



November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 30

8:30 a.m.- †Bernard and Freda Bunner

Tuesday, December 1

8:30 a.m.-For Andre Raczka and his family

Wednesday, December 2

8:30 a.m.-†Rosemary and Zellon Audritsh

Thursday, December 3

8:30 a.m.

Friday, December 4

8:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 5

5:00 p.m.- †Hilda Wentz

7:00 p.m. in Spanish- †Sergio Quiroz

Sunday, December 6

8:00 a.m.- For our parishioners

10:00 a.m.- †Edward Silvius



MINISTRY SCHEDULE DECEMBER 5 & 6

Lector/Commentator

5:00 p.m.-Leann Dunlap

8:00 a.m.-Nancy Burmeister

10:00 a.m.-Davekos

Greeter

5:00 p.m.-Mary Johnson

8:00 a.m.-Pat Riedy

10:00 a.m.-Jim Durham

Usher

5:00 p.m.-Carl Dumoulin

8:00 a.m.-Mike Riedy

10:00 a.m.-Steve Dillett

Sanitizer

5:00 p.m.-Carl Dumoulin

8:00 a.m.-Helen Davis

10:00 a.m.-Kay Coates

Liturgical Linens: Dec. 6- Lorraine

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Parents seeking baptism for their child must come to the parish office to register for a baptism prep. class and provide their child's birth certificate.

Deacon Bill Stankevitz holds a class on the 3rd Sunday of each month following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Marriage

Couples should contact the office six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is not only for those at the point of death. An anointing should be sought as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age.

"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the priests of the Church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven."

St. James-Apostle

Contact the office if you or a loved one would like to receive the sacrament of anointing. If there is an urgent need of the sacrament outside of our office hours, Fr. Francis may be reached at 815-985-7099.

The Dekalb Deanery priest who has been designated for administering the Sacrament of the Sick to patients confirmed to have contracted the COVID-19 virus is Fr. Bernie Sehr- 815-621-0598.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT December 4

9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

Anyone is invited to visit throughout the day, however, to be certain that someone will be present at all times, We are asking for two people to sign up for every hour. There is a sign-up sheet at the front entrance of the church.



Advent Prayer

In a world so often filled with darkness and sin,
Jesus, You are the rising Son!

When the night of our lives feels longer
than we can bear,

Jesus, You are the hope of a new dawn!
When we are anxious for what the future holds,
Jesus, You are the morning star that never sets!

In all our confusion and division,
Jesus, You are the light of the world!

Heavenly Father, in this Advent season,
we await Your Son's coming with anticipation.

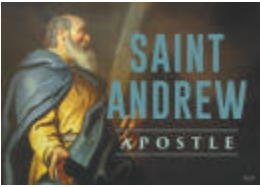
Send Your Spirit to sustain and carry us
through these final days of Advent preparation,
as we await the dawning of the Light of the World!
Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers of healing for
Beau Norris and Kitty McBroom.
And for everyone affected by the pandemic



St. Catherine of Genoa Roman Catholic Church



FEAST DAYS

November 30
St. Andrew, Apostle



December 2
St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Gospel Meditation

You are at the eye doctor and it's time for the peripheral vision test. You know the one. It's where you put your head up to a contraption and have to click a switch every time you see a squiggly line. If you don't concentrate and maintain optimal focus, you will miss them and skew the outcome of the test. You can easily find yourself with a diagnosis that really isn't accurate! Concentration and focus are key to succeeding with this evaluation. They are also key to developing a healthy, vibrant spiritual life. If we do not bring our full consciousness to the task, concentrate with all our might, be watchful and vigilant, we are not going to see God's loving presence flashing before our eyes!

That's why we need Advent. Let's face it. We can easily get distracted, focus on nonessential and superficial things and lose touch with what really matters. Our attentions wander. We daydream and even become a bit overwhelmed and tired. All of the stresses and demands of life consume us and we find ourselves constantly trying to play catch up rather than relishing the moment of the now. "Now" moments are so fleeting. They flash before us like those squiggly lines on a screen. Present moments go as quickly as they come but it is important to discover them and rest in them as often as we can. Though gone in a flash, these now moments of encounter with God teach powerful lessons and offer a grounding in truth that can be found nowhere else. It's the grace of Advent to become watchful and attentive because we are never sure when God will surprise us.

God loves surprises and love thrives on them! God's now moments of surprises come as tender instants of intimate connection where I find profound peace, experience joy, and rest in love. These are Advent times reflective of the now moments when Christ first was born, when God surprises us during every time we care to watch and when the great surprise of Christ's second coming dawns upon us all. But, to discover the grandeur and experience the awe of these now times, we have to be ready. We have to want to be there. We have to believe. And, we have to have the desire to soak in as much as we can in the time we have before us.

UPDATES DUE TO COVID 19

Notifications of closings and cancellations or changes to our liturgy schedule will be posted on our website.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, all classes have been cancelled until further notice.

Updates will be sent out through Flocknote. If you are currently not receiving messages contact Carol Romano, DRE- 815-970-1928

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



Advent: Rethinking the Season by Dr. Tim Gray

Advent is an odd season. Unlike most other seasons, it's a season that isn't about itself, but is instead about preparing for Christmas.

But that reality often gets lost in the shuffle and stress of trying to find all the right gifts, decorations, and dinner ingredients. In this talk, Dr. Tim Gray uses storytelling and the readings of the Old Testament to explain that we need to live the 'pre-season' of Advent well, so we can be prepared to welcome and receive the greatest gift God the Father wants to give us at Christmas: His Son, Jesus.

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Click "I belong to parish or organization".

Type in "St. Catherine of Genoa, Genoa, IL". Click on the blue box. Enter your email address. "sign up". Enjoy! Enjoy!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

November 29– Not available at time of print

We are thankful for all who continue to make contributions during this difficult time. We appreciate your generous and reliable support.

ENVELOPES

Please help us to keep our costs down by letting the office know as soon as possible if you do not wish to receive weekly contribution envelopes in the mail.

2020 DIOCESAN APPEAL

Our Goal - \$29,200.00

Pledged- \$11,210.00

Short- \$15,991.00

WESHARE

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**PRIMER VIERNES ADORACIÓN
DEL BENDITO SACRAMENTO
4 de diciembre- 9:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.,
bendición a las 7:00 p.m.** Cualquier
persona es bienvenida durante estas

horas, pero nos gustaría que dos personas se inscriban para asegurarse de que alguien esté presente en todo momento. La hoja de registro de papel estará en la entrada.

**Horario de la liturgia de la iglesia
de Santa Catalina de Génova**

**Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Novena**

Jueves 3 de diciembre - 7:00 p.m.

Viernes 4 de diciembre - 7:00 p.m.

Sábado 5 de diciembre - 8:00 p.m.

Domingo 6 de diciembre - 6:00 p.m.

Lunes a viernes, 7 de diciembre a las 11 - 7:00 p.m.

Manianates

Sábado 12 de diciembre - 6:00 a.m.

Confesiones

Media hora antes de cada misa o con cita previa

En español- Sábado 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Misa de Navidad en inglés

Nochebuena 5:00 p.m. & 10:00 pm.

Día de Navidad 8:00 a.m. y 10:00 a.m.

Los himnos navideños comienzan 15 minutos
antes de la misa

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Debido a las restricciones de Covid-19, todas las clases han sido canceladas hasta nuevo aviso.

Las actualizaciones se enviarán a través de Flocknote.

Si actualmente no está recibiendo mensajes, comuníquese con

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ACTUALIZACIONES POR COVID 19

Las notificaciones de cierres, cancelaciones de reuniones o cambios en nuestro horario de liturgia se publicarán en nuestro sitio web.

**7:00 PM HORARIO DEL MINISTERIO DE MISA
November 28**

Lector-Edith Mercado

Greeter-Rosana Orozco

Usher-Eliseo Camarena

Sanitizer-Rene Camarena

Nuestro horario de ministerio parroquial mensual se puede encontrar en la carpeta de registro en la entrada de la iglesia. Si desea que se le envíe una copia por correo electrónico, indique su dirección en la oficina.



29 de noviembre de 2020 1er Domingo de Adviento

¡Adviento es estar preparados! Hoy damos comienzo a un nuevo año litúrgico. Cabe, pues, decir a todos ustedes, ¡Feliz Año Nuevo! Si, ojalá sea nuevo en nuestra forma de vivir y de esperar. Todo ha cambiado en este 2020. Nada es igual en la familia y en la sociedad. Ahora debemos cuidarnos más, y estar listos para tanto cambio lleva tiempo, pero es bueno prevenir para no enfermarnos. El virus tomó a muchos desprevenidos, su sufrimiento y muerte ayudó a otros a prepararse, a poner cuidado. Usar la mascarilla, lavarse las manos, tomar precauciones de distancia es vivir este Adviento vigilando y manteniendo la esperanza.

Damos comienzo al Evangelio de Marcos, comienza el ciclo "B". Nos habla de un hombre que se va al extranjero y deja instrucciones y diferentes responsabilidades a sus sirvientes. Marcos, en este ciclo y Mateo, en el año que termina, hablan de velar porque no se sabe cuándo llegará el momento. Sin embargo, Marcos sitúa el retorno del Señor durante la noche. Recordemos que parte de la audiencia de Marcos eran los romanos. Por eso menciona cuatro vigiliass---al atardecer, a media noche, al canto del gallo, o de madrugada. Esto quiere decir, estar despiertos siempre sin bajar la guardia, velando. Velar, quiere decir estar despierto mientras otros duermen. Ojalá, que al encender la corona de Adviento en la parroquia y en casa, nos esforcemos por tener presente el deseo de que brille la luz del Señor y nos salve. Que crezca en nosotros la actitud de vigilancia por el hermano y hermana que sufre. ¿Qué haré en

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