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MASS

SATURDAY

4:30pm @ Parish Comm Center
6995 Centerville Road, Centerville

SUNDAY

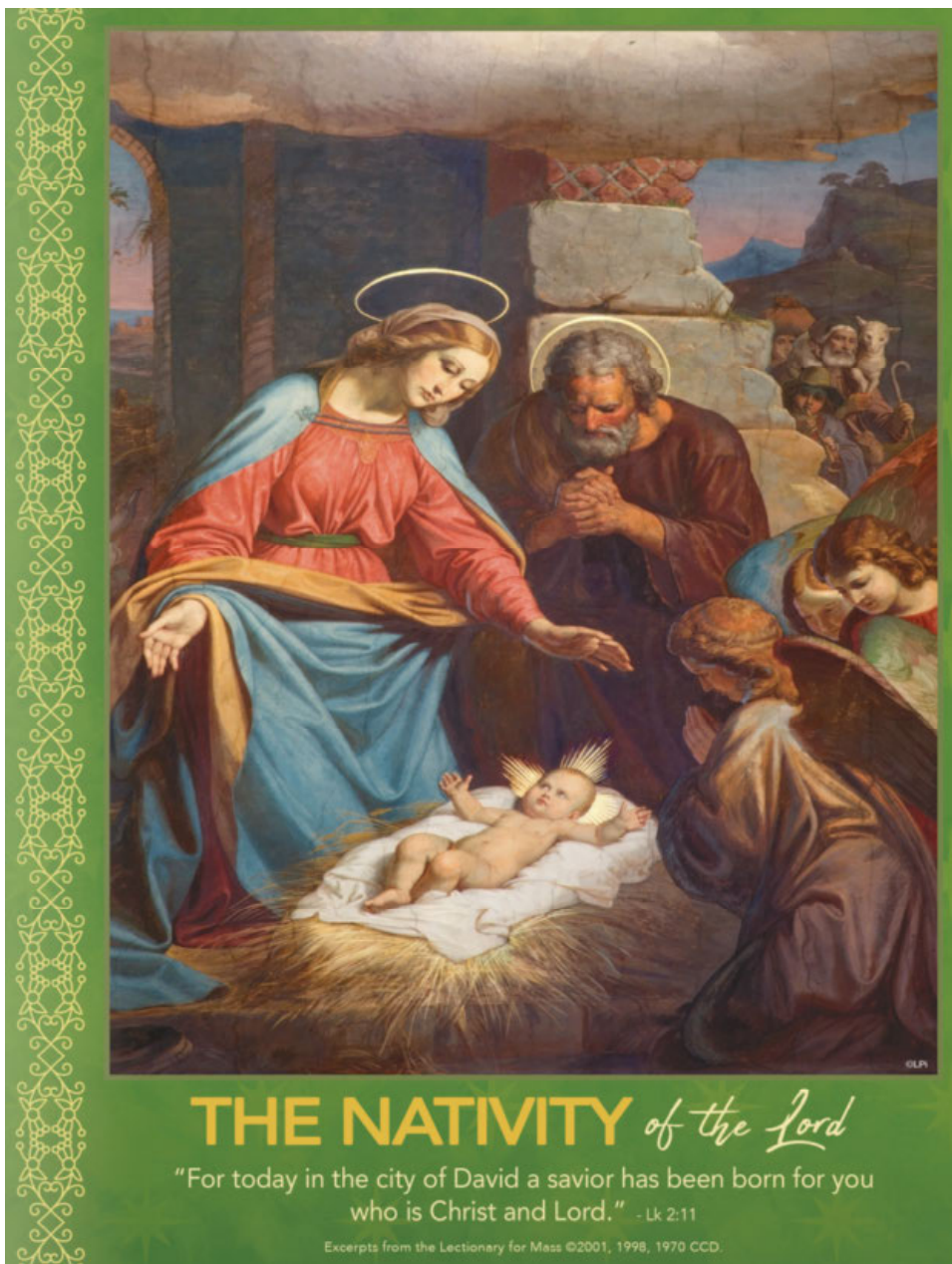
8:30am @ St. John's Site
14363 Forest Boulevard N, Hugo
10:30am @ Parish Comm Center
6995 Centerville Road, Centerville

WEDNESDAY

8:00am @ St. Genevieve church

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:00pm
@ St. Genevieve church
or by appt. at 651-429-7937



Watch Mass on YouTube: @St. Genevieve's Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

Reflect

First Reading:

Hannah, the mother of Samuel, and Samuel's father are portrayed as parents of deep prayer and great faith. **How would you describe the faith of your mother or father?**

Second Reading:

John teaches us that if we believe in Jesus and love one another, "we may be called children of God." **How do you show gratitude for being part of this holy family?**

Gospel:

Luke is the only Evangelist to preserve a story about Jesus from his youth. In this account, Mary and Joseph are filled with "great anxiety" as they searched for Jesus who they thought was lost. **How do you seek God's help for the anxious moments in your family?**

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NEW PARISHIONERS

Please go to our website at www.stgens.org/new-guests for more information, or contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The next Baptism Class is **Jan 11**, 7:00-8:00pm via Zoom. Register at www.stgens.org/baptism or contact the Parish Office. Baptism Classes will also be held (via Zoom, 7:00-8:00pm) Apr 12 and July 12.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for those who wish to explore membership in the Roman Catholic faith or for those Catholics who wish to receive sacraments not received at traditional ages. Contact ThuyAnh at thoang@stgens.org or 651-426-1818 for more information.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Let us join with Christians around the world and give thanks to God for the gift of His son.

May God's peace and blessing fill all the world in 2022.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

Because The Feast of Mary, Mother of God falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. The usual Saturday 4:30pm Mass on January 1 will be an anticipatory Mass for the Epiphany of the Lord.

MASKS

You are strongly encouraged to wear masks to any and all parish events, including Mass. Let's work together to keep everyone healthy so we can safely worship together this Christmas season.

SHARING YOUR GIFTS!

Start the new year sharing your gifts! Volunteer to help out at Mass by serving as Sacristan, Usher, Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Video Desk Operator or Live Stream Operator. The next schedule begins January 22. Sign up and get your weekend off requests in **by January 5** to stgens.org/liturgical-ministers or 651-429-7937. Even if you have been on the schedule, sign up to confirm your wish to continue in your ministry.

MUSIC NOTES

Merry Christmas! As the year 2021 comes to a close, I reflect on the first part of the second reading for today. We are celebrating the Feast of the Holy Family. Let us remember that we are ALL one family in God. I think that if each of us lived our lives as Paul directs us in his letter to the Colossians, we would all be better. Our lives would be better and we would be happier for it.

Paul speaks of forgiveness and patience, humility and compassion, kindness and, most of all, love and thankfulness. He also directs us to sing psalms and hymns with gratitude in our hearts.

The music for the Christmas season is wonderful, well-known songs that help ignite the spirit of Christmas. I do hope you all will be following Paul's instruction! Together let us sing with joy!

I wish you all a peace-filled and blessed Christmas season!

Peace, Laura

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, December 30, noon-6pm

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6995 Centerville Rd, Centerville

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Give the gift of life!

CONGRATULATIONS

We received notification from Press Publications that the **Church of St. Genevieve** was a *finalist for 2021 Best Church* in the Readers' Choice Awards.

The **Annual Chicken Dinner and Festival** took *FIRST PLACE* in the *2021 Best Church Dinner category* in the Readers' Choice Awards.

ST. GENEVIEVE'S MISSION STATEMENT

*As Catholic Christians, we are called to:
serve as disciples of Jesus Christ
and be nourished by scripture, prayer,
and the sacraments.*

*We are committed to:
worship, life-long formation of faith,
and serving God in our communities.*

*We depend on the guidance of the
Holy Spirit to:
inspire, encourage, and challenge us.*

*All are welcome as we journey
together in faith*

NEXT YOGA DEVOTION

The next Yoga Devotion session will be 7 weeks **beginning January 10** at a cost of \$63. Men and women are invited to participate on **Mondays, 5:00-6:00pm** at the St. Genevieve Parish Community Center. You do not need to be a parishioner to participate.

To register, send your \$63 check written out to St. Genevieve's ("Yoga" on the memo line) to:

Church of St. Genevieve
7087 Goiffon Rd
Centerville MN 55038

MASS INTENTIONS

WEDNESDAY, DEC 29 - St. Genevieve church
8:00am Bud Wollan †

SATURDAY, JAN 1 - Parish Community Center
4:30pm For our Parish

SUNDAY, JAN 2 - St. John's site
8:30am For our Parish

SUNDAY, JAN 2 - Parish Community Center
10:30am Henrietta Nistler †
Matt Wiederkehr †

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Jan 1 - 4:30pm (Parish Comm Ctr)

Sacristan—A. Sievers
Lector—J. Nistler
EMs—D. Faymoville, L. Sievers, M. Wilharber
Ushers—B. Fahnhorst, M. Bartel, T. Wilharber
Livestream—S. Irlbeck, Video Desk—S. Irlbeck

Sunday, Jan 2 - 8:30am (St. John's site)

Sacristan—K. Scanlan
Lector—F. Tacheny
EMs—K. Kostelecky, K. Scanlan, S. Stephan
Ushers—M. Spangenberg, T. Scanlan, J. Crowley

Sunday, Jan 2 - 10:30am (Parish Comm Ctr)

Sacristan—J. McCarthy
Lector—D. Gagnon
EMs—B. Gagnon, C. Lindholm, D. Gagnon
Ushers—D. McCarthy, M. Hazzard, D. Kircher
Video Desk—S. Wilson

A PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

*All-Loving God, we thank you for all of your good gifts,
especially the gift of family.*

*For parents and grandparents who nurture our faith and
lift us up in difficult times, we thank you, God.*

*For brothers and sisters who laugh and listen and
celebrate with us in joyful times, we thank you, God.*

*For holidays and holy days when we join together
around the table and remember the bond that unites us,
we thank you, God.*

*For all those who love us and care for us and welcome us
home again and again, we thank you, God.*

*For the gift of eternal life and the promise that we will
one day join all of the beloved who have gone before us,
we thank you, God.*

*With the guidance of the Holy Family, may we remain a
strong and vibrant family of faith, now and forever.*

Amen.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP - DEC 11 & 12

Sunday Collection

Sunday: \$ 12,391.00 Grow Parish: \$ 40.00
Food Shelf: \$ 90.00 Human Dev: \$ 50.00
Christmas: \$ 70.00 Immac Conc: \$ 410.00
Flowers: \$ 225.00 CSAF Refund: \$ 7,756.00

Retirement Fund for Religious: \$2,054.00

Electronic Giving

Sunday: \$ 1,330.00 Fam Shelter: \$ 70.00
Food Shelf: \$ 105.00 Immac Conc: \$ 30.00
Flowers: \$ 25.00 Rel Retire: \$ 340.00

YEAR END GIVING

For Year End gifts to be credited as 2021 charitable contributions, they must be received, postmarked, or made online on or before Dec 31.

DID YOU KNOW?

Once you turn 72, you need to begin taking income from your IRA. The Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) you donate to your parish is not taxed. Your IRA custodian must send the check directly to your parish.

MAXIMIZE YOUR BLESSINGS

- Maximize your financial gift to your parish. Give appreciated assets. You can claim a charitable deduction and you don't have to pay taxes on the capital gains.
- "Bunch" your giving. Combine charitable gifts from two or more years into a single tax year. You may be able to exceed the standard deduction during one year.
- Use a donor advised fund. "Bunch" your gifts in a single tax year and maintain consistent and steady support to the parish. You make a gift into a fund and distribute grants from it on your own timeline.

CSAF REFUND

Did you see the "CSAF Refund" for \$7,756.00 in the Sunday Collection numbers at the top of this page? Thanks to your generosity in supporting the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF), St. Gen's met its goal and was eligible to have a portion of the money returned to our parish for our ministries!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday (27)

5:00 pm Yoga Devotion - PCC

Tuesday (28)

7:00 pm AA Meeting - STJ

Wednesday (29)

8:00 am Mass - STG

Thursday (30)

12:00 noon Blood Drive - PCC (noon - 6:00pm)

7:00 pm AA Meeting - STG

Friday (31)

Saturday (1)

4:30 pm Mass - PCC

Sunday (2)

8:30 am Mass - STJ

10:30 am Mass - PCC

STJ - St. John's site, Hugo

FH - Fortin Hall (St. John's site), Hugo

PCC - Parish Community Center, Centerville

STG - St. Genevieve church, Centerville

PO - Parish Office, Centerville

FFC - Faith Formation Center, Centerville

CVE - Centerville Elementary School, Centerville

READINGS - Week of December 26

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/
Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:41-52

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

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/
Mt 2:13-18

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

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/
Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/
Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/
Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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