

# St. Genevieve Catholic Church

February 21, 2021



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### DAILY MASSES:

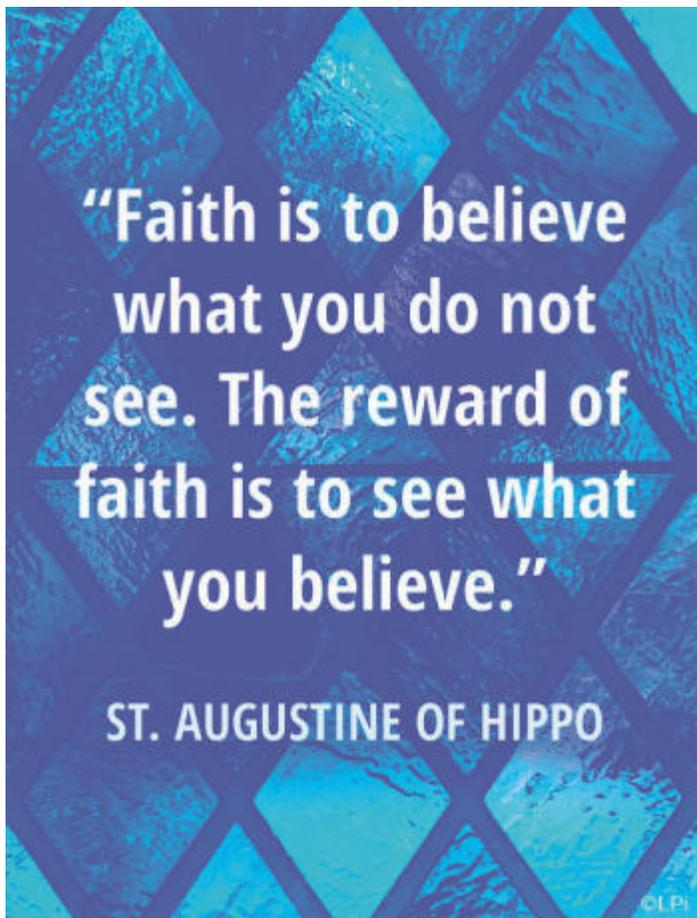
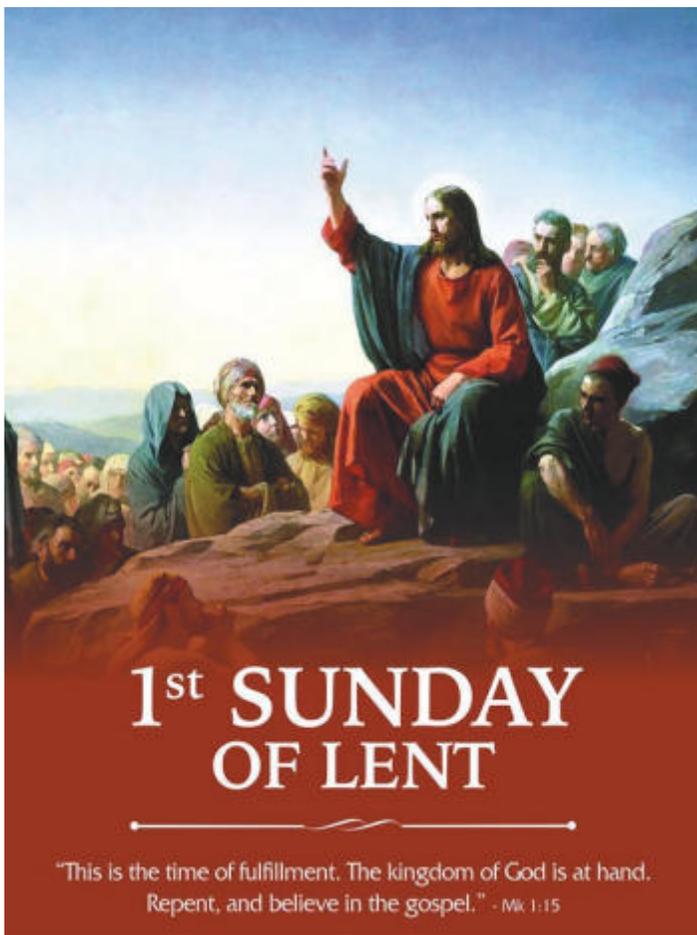
*Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:00 Noon  
Confessions 11:10—11:45 am  
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am  
No Confessions*

### WEEKEND MASSES:

*Saturday ~ 4:00 & 6:00 pm  
Confessions 3:00—3:45 pm & 5:10—5:45 pm  
Sunday~8:00 am, 10:00 am and Noon  
Confessions 7:10—7:45 am, 9:10—9:45 am & 11:10—11:45 am*

### CALVARY CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS:

*Monday—Friday: Irregular Hours, call for appointment  
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*Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle.*

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*February 21st—March 6th*



**Monday, February 22nd**  
 12:00 Noon Mass: *Brenda F. Knight, Francis L. Knight, Beatrice F. Figureron*

**Tuesday, February 23rd**  
 8:30 am Mass: *Special Intentions*

**Wednesday, February 24th**  
 12:00 Noon Mass: *Mary Jenkins David, Jack W. Granger*

**Thursday, February 25th**  
 8:30 am Mass: *Special Intentions*

**Friday, February 26th**  
 12:00 Noon Mass: *Special Intentions*

**Saturday, February 27th**  
 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm Masses: *Leon Recard, Lena R. Coleman, Agness R. Brown, Julie & Wilton Wyble, Enola & Ludovic Guidry, Jim Pollock, Paul Dunand, James "T-Man" LaCombe, Donald & Dolores Bejeaux*

**Sunday, February 28th**  
 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 Noon Masses: *Mary Jenkins David, Richard D. Hudson, Joyce F. & Warren J. Stutes, Anna Mandado Vega Vondenstein, Dominic Vega, Hubert Vondenstein, David Family, Jenkins Family, Calvin Lear, Lillian Lear, Albert Grossie, Jr.*

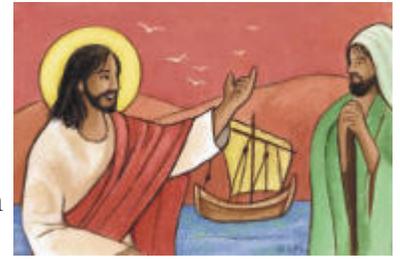
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# GOSPEL MEDITATION

February 21, 2021...First Sunday of Lent



St. Oscar Romero said, “Aspire not to have more, but to be more.” These powerful words provide the perfect framework for a conversion oriented Lenten experience. God is giving us this Lenten sign to stop being concerned about what you have and focus on who you are. This requires that we create a desert space and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. It is all so wonderfully simple on the one hand and so incredibly challenging on the other. The message is simple: love God, neighbor, and self. Those simple words make great sense, but we struggle translating them into reality. Our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness all anchor us to the “idol of the self,” keeping us mired in our compulsive need for self-aggrandizement. It’s not about us!

God vowed, long ago, to nurture, sustain and protect the relationship He has with His people. He called us into being, nurtures us in being, and sustains us in being. Without the Loving Divine Presence, all life would cease. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God’s love and how we can better imitate God’s loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. In short, we will see our myopic short sightedness and figure out how we can better share the Divine Fire within with others. Lent isn’t just about giving stuff up for forty days and indulging again at Easter. We need to push things much farther and wrestle with the question of how we can be more. “Being more” means becoming more fully alive and in touch with the holiness of life and the divinity that lives in and empowers all beings and things. It is realizing that the “quality” of our presence is crucial to being an effective witness and herald of God’s unconditional love.

The illusion we have bought into causes us to believe that the wrong things and systems matter. We tirelessly fight to keep things the way they are, to return to the former ways of doing things or restore some nostalgic fantasy memory of “life in the good old days.” Lent isn’t about maintaining what we have or returning to something that is gone. It’s about becoming something new. It’s about being more focused, centered, convicted, and grounded so that we can be a person who truly loves and treasures being made in the image of God. The secret to Gospel living is not found in accumulating anything for ourselves, even merit points for heaven. Gospel living means learning how to live with less so that others can live with more. The thought of permanently giving something up makes us feel uncomfortable. Truth often does.

## **BAPTISMS:**

Baptism is celebrated once a month at St. Genevieve Church. Diocesan policy requires attendance of a Baptismal preparation course for first time parents, who must be registered at St. Genevieve or live in the boundaries of our parish. You may attend the class as early as possible. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the Parish Office for details. Classes & Baptisms follow Noon Mass on Sundays.

\*Dates are subject to change

### **2021 Baptism Preparation Classes\***

*March 7th, April 11th, May 2nd, June 6th, July 4th, August 1st  
September 5th, October 3rd, November 7th, December 5th*

### **2021 Baptism Dates\***

*March 14th, April 18th, May 9th, June 13th, July 11th, August 8th  
September 12th, October 10th, November 14th, December 12th*

## **MARRIAGES:**

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of desired wedding date to schedule an appointment and begin the preparation process.

## **FUNERALS:**

When making funeral arrangements, one must make arrangements with the priest before contacting and finalizing arrangements with the funeral home.

**DUE TO COVID-19*****St. Genevieve Parish Office*****CLOSED TO PUBLIC***Until further notice**Office Hours: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm  
(Monday – Thursday)*

Contact Staff via:

TELEPHONE: 337-234-5147

EMAIL: [info@stgens.net](mailto:info@stgens.net)***Interested in joining St. Genevieve Church Parish?***

A Catholic parish is the single most important part of our Catholic Church. This is where we continue the mission of Jesus Christ. This is where we publicly express our faith, joining together with others to give witness of our communion with God and with one another.

Listed below are (2) main reasons you may want to consider registering with our Parish:

*In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation or Holy Matrimony you will need to be a registered parishioner.*

*For religious education instruction and Sacramental preparation, the families of those attending must also be registered parishioners.*

If you would like to register, please call, email or log on to our website.

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**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS****The Unlikely Suspects**

Have you ever taken a nature walk? Have you leisurely strolled through a forest or field, with no real destination in mind and your only objective being receptivity to and observation of all God's creation?

Sometimes, Scripture readings can feel like a nature walk. All of salvation history plays out against the backdrop of the natural world, with all elements of God's creation — plants and animals and the dust of the earth itself — turning in a supporting performance. How about Jesus in the hot and dusty desert, tempted, living "among the wild beasts?" Noah departed from his ark with the animals he rescued, observing God's sign in the very clouds of the sky. Even God Himself, offering us salvation from original sin through the waters of baptism.

How often do we remember that God speaks to us through all of His creation, even in the unlikeliest suspects?

Let's go back to the nature walk. It sounds like a lovely way to pass an afternoon, amongst wildflowers and butterflies, but don't forget the beating hot sun, mosquitos, and threat of rain on the horizon. Remember, we're not in heaven yet. Here on earth, God may be present in His creation, but that doesn't mean it's always easy to endure.

Lent is, essentially, a time to listen for the voice of God in places we may not expect: the mild irritations you experience when you're craving the chocolate you gave up, or the dull pangs of hunger during the Ash Wednesday fast. It's a golden opportunity to see the divine hand in all of creation, even those unlikely suspects.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



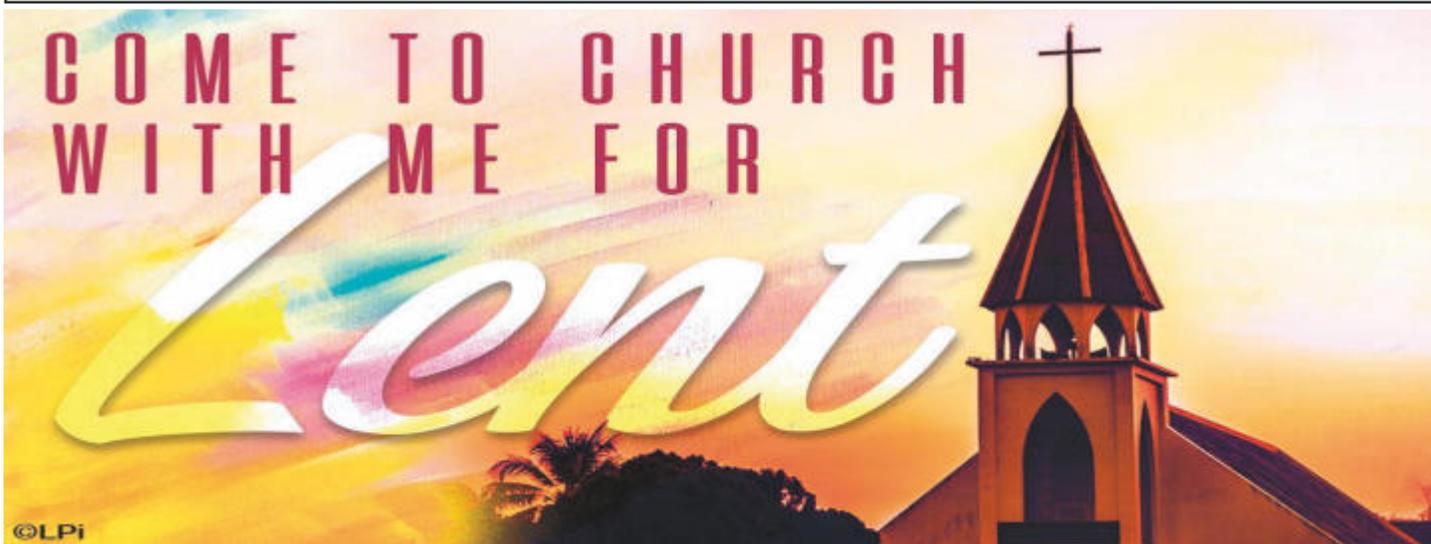
**2021 Offertory Envelopes are available for pick up in the Mystical Rose Hall after all weekend Masses.**

*Please use the side entrance near the grotto.*



**St Genevieve**

St. Genevieve Catholic School is now accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year. Visit our website at [www.stgen.net/admissions](http://www.stgen.net/admissions) for more information and to access the online application. To speak to someone about admissions and/or schedule a private tour, please contact Mrs. Blair Bernard at 337-266-5553.



## ***Come, Lord Jesus! Lenten Journey***

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Journey with us during this holy season of Lent as we study and meditate upon the Sunday Gospels leading to the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Meet weekly with family members, friends, fellow parishioners or join one of our on-line ZOOM groups for a deeper understanding of Jesus' life and death and victory he claimed for each of us! Prepare for the Easter celebration with a spiritual journey that will renew your faith and transform your life!

Contact (Mona Izzo at 337-234-3359 or [mona.izzo@lusfiber.net](mailto:mona.izzo@lusfiber.net)) to sign up or Marianne Hebert at the *Come, Lord Jesus!* office (337-233-6277) for booklets or further information.



# February Saints and Feast Days Word Search



*\*Directions: Search only for the parts of the saints names or feast days that are in bold print.*

St. **Blaise**

St. **Jerome** Emiliani

St. **Methodius**

St. **Ansgar**

St. Josephine **Bakhita**

St. **Peter** Damian

St. **Agatha**

St. **Scholastica**

St. **Polycarp**

St. **Paul Miki** and  
Companions

Our Lady of **Lourdes**

**Presentation** of the Lord

St. **Cyril**

**ST. GENEVIEVE SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Priest</b> <i>(subject to change)</i>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b> <i>uscbb.org-Media-Audio-Daily Readings-Podcasts (to listen to the daily readings)</i>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Saturday, February 27th 4:00 pm	Rev. Brian J. Taylor		Phillip Parker	
Saturday, February 27th 6:00 pm	Rev. Brian J. Taylor		Agnes Malveaux	
Sunday, February 28th 8:00 am	Rev. Brian J. Taylor		Kasie Dugas	
Sunday, February 28th 10:00 am	Rev. Brian J. Taylor		Mona Hudson	
Sunday, February 28th 12:00 Noon	Rev. Brian J. Taylor		Glenn Broussard	

*Are you interested in being a Reader, Extraordinary Minister or Altar Server for St. Genevieve Catholic Church? If so, please call Agnes at (337)234-5147.*

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