



St. Catherine of Genoa

CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 28, 2025

My child, remember that you received
what was good during your lifetime
while Lazarus likewise received what was bad;
but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.



26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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Dear Parishioners & Guests!

It is a blessing to pray together at our holy altar! The rock that has been placed at the center of our house of prayer calls to mind the core pillar of Christ in our life. Jesus, we learn, is the altar, the offering, and the minister. Every Mass links to the one, true and perfect offering on Calvary. This is why we run to the altar on Sunday, excited to remember Jesus' greatest act, excited to be strengthened by the Lord of lords and the Host of hosts.

As Catholics we live joy and peace in a unique way. We are able to be calm in the midst of the storm because we recall how brutal the storm was for Jesus before Pontius Pilate. We know that every cross gives way to new life in the resurrection; therefore, we as Catholics, are able to endure our own crosses because we know they are smaller than the one Jesus bore. As Catholics we know that we hunger for perfection, but realize that perfection is not fully present until heaven, so we do not go crazy, like others, striving to make this world according to our image of perfection; rather, we are grateful for the world with which we have been blessed, we are a good steward of those things and responsibilities under our care, and when darkness is before us, we strive to bring the light of Jesus Christ. Why? Because we know how many times Jesus has helped bring light into our dark moments and how helpful that has been for our life, our soul and for those whom we love!

So when we look out into the world we must strive to look upon it as Our Father does. We are not at home here. Our home is in heaven. We love our neighbor and seek to love them and guide toward the truth of Christ where we can, but most of our work is done in the workshop of our heart, where, with Our Lord, we think and pray and seek what is best for our daily faithfulness and our daily availability to love our neighbor in the way that Christ asks.

I was looking for a selection of the bible to pray with the other day and the Lord led me to something different. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for that gentle redirection. In the Letter of James, chapter one, verses two through eighteen, he writes wisely about the perseverance we are called to have in the face of tribulation and perseverance in the face of temptation. If you have a moment, pick up your bible and read it. The first verses (2&3) are as follows: "Consider it all joy, my brothers, when you encounter various trials, for you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance." A reminder to have joy in times of difficulty and to have hope for the gifts being forged in us through difficult moments. Let us persevere together, fueled by Jesus' True Presence in Holy Communion!

Pet Blessing - Bring your pets to St. Catherine's for a blessing in conjunction with the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday, October 4th. We will gather at 3:30 in our south lawn between the 2nd and 3rd Stations of the Cross.

St. Faustina - The 5th of October is the feast of St. Faustina, the Apostle of Mercy. Through her faithfulness Jesus brought his Divine Mercy Image to the world.

+ Richest Blessings,

Rev J.A. Trowbridge

Mass & Devotions



This Weekend September 27 & 28

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

5:00 p. m. †Earl Amidon
7:00 p. m. †Ignacio Salinas
8:00 a. m. Parishioners of SCG
10:00 a.m. †Virginia Brummel

Monday, September 29 *Archangels*

8:30 a.m. † Catarino Bernal

Tuesday, September 30 *St. Jerome*

8:30 a.m. †Charles Kirk

Wednesday, October 1 *St. Therese*

8:30 a. m. †Martin and Bernice Coppoth

Thursday, October 2 *Holy Guardian Angels*

8:30 a. m. Joseph R. Kozon

Friday, October 3 *St. Francis of Assisi*

8:30 a.m. For Joanne Ustrak

Next Weekend October 4 & 5

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

5:00 p. m. †Shirley Drendel
7:00 p. m. † Francisco Chairez
8:00 a. m. † Mary Golab
10:00 a.m. Parishioners of SCG

Blessing of Pets

October 4th at 3:30pm

On the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi,
bring your pets, large or small, over for a special
blessing. We'll gather on the South lawn between the
between the 1st and 2nd station of the cross.

Prayer Intentions

Jenny Eide, Mercedes G., Jerry Grenier,
Frank Engel, Carol Engel, Alex Humeniak,
Dale Jurs, Julie Mullins, Beau Norris,
Brian O'Grady, Mary Kae O'Grady,
Priscilla Pisarski, Doris Seyller, Pat Stankevitz, Dawn
Varacalli, Viva Villafuerte, Trish Thibault
Janice Jastrowski, Balvina Mascote, Eric Ortman
Ed Davis, Virginia Makovec, Nancy Burmeister,
Courtney LaMonteagne, Joseph Phelan,

Mass Schedule

Saturday | 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. *Español*

Sunday | 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Daily | 8:30 a.m.

Confession | *Confesiones*

Saturday | 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday | 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions conclude when all have been heard.

En Español | Viernes 8:00 a.m. y Sabado 6:00 p.m

Rosary

Begins 30 min. before all weekend Masses

Immediately following daily Masses.

First Friday

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

Benediction | 6:50 p.m.

Holy Hour

Every Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Confessions available | 7:00 - 7:20 p.m.

Benediction begins | 7:20 p.m.

En Español

Rosario

Todo los tardes a las 7 p.m. en la iglesia

Rosario de Niños Cada Jueves a las 6 p.m.

Legion de Maria

- Reuniones los Lunes a las 11:00 a.m.
información contactan Casi 815-762-7480
- Reuniones los Miércoles a las 6:00 PM. Para
información contacten a Teresa 815-784-5653

Estudio Bíblico

Lunes 6:00 p.m. a 8:00 p.m. en el salón Nuestra
Señora de Guadalupe. Dirigido por Milton
Orellana.

TRIVIA CATÓLICA

Pregunta: ¿Qué pecado quita el Bautismo?

Calendar



Announcements

Monday, September 29

9am - Rosary
11am - Legion of Mary
6pm - Bible Study- in Spanish

Tuesday, September 30

8am - Confessions
9am - Rosary
2pm - 8pm - Parish Directory Photos
6:30pm - Holy Hour
7pm - Confessions

Wednesday, October 1

9am - Rosary
2pm - 8pm - Parish Directory photos
6pm - Legion of Mary
6:30pm - FFF K - 6 & First Communion

Thursday, October 2

9am – Rosary

Friday, October 3

9am - Rosary

Saturday, October 4

9am - Confessions
11am – 12pm - CCW Luncheon
3:30 - Pet Blessing
4:30 - Rosary

Sunday, October 5

7:30 - Rosary
9:30am - Confirmation Class 1 & 2
9:30am - First Communion Grades 2 & 3
9:30 - Rosary

Received the Sacrament of Baptism

September 20, 2025

Joshua Miquel Jimenez Quintanilla
child of

Victor Jimenez and
Mirley Shirley Quintanilla Vidal

Joined in Sacramental Marriage

September 20, 2025

Jacobe and Gabrielle Schmerbach

CCW Luncheon

Calling all women of our parish! The Council of Catholic Women invite you to a luncheon on Saturday, October 4th at 11:00 a.m. in Divine Mercy Hall. Fried chicken will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. For more information call Nancy Burmeister 815-761-0515

Parish Photo Directory Photography Dates: September 30th and October 1st & 14th

Sign -up for a photo session:

- in the narthex after the weekend Masses.
- in person during parish office hours.
- online Mon. - Fri. using the link on our parish website or visit www.ucid.

St. Catherine's church code: IL442

Password: photos

Parish Financials



Diocesan Appeal 2025

Goal: \$31,835
Pledged: \$12,906
Given: \$16,300.00
Shortfall: \$15,535

St. Vincent de Paul

Donations made to our poor box, located at the front entrance will be forwarded to the Hampshire chapter of St. Vincent de Paul - they support our Genoa residents who seek support in their need.



Weekend Collection: Sept. 20 & 21

Parish: \$4,051
Building: \$22
Given Online: \$290

Online Giving

You can conveniently donate to our clicking on the app located on the homepage of our parish website or use the QR code above. From there, follow the simple steps to set up a variety of giving options.



Ministries



Religious Education

Family Faith Formation - Students in grades Kindergarten through 6th

Confirmation - For students in 7th grade and up and under the age of 17.

Classes run from September through May.

Registration begins in mid July.

Contact the parish office or our parish coordinator of religious education.

OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Anyone age 17 and older who is interested in exploring the Catholic faith or completing their sacraments is invited to attend classes. Please call the parish office or Deacon Brian Mullins.

Stitching Together

Our parish group makes homemade gifts for baptisms and our compassion ministry.

Meetings: first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the KofC room.

New members welcome! Participation is not limited to crocheting; feel free to bring your own craft.

Knights of Columbus Council #14294

Business Meetings: 2nd Monday of every month.

Officer Meetings: Fourth Monday of every month.

Membership Info: Bob Hewlett: 815-791-7020.

Breakfast Buffet: Third Sundays October - June.

Coffee and Donuts: Third Sundays July-September.

CCW

Council of Catholic Women

Join us for prayer and fellowship.

Quarterly meetings (no dues are collected)

For more information call

Nancy Burmeister 815-761-0515

Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound

Volunteers from our parish bring communion to our parishioners who are are not able to attend Mass.

If you are called to this ministry please contact the parish office or a member of our clergy.

Liturgical Roles - October 4 & 5

Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
5:00 PM	J. Jastrowski	3 open	J. Kush	J. Kush	C. Dumoulin	C. Dumoulin S. Vincent
<i>Tiempo</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>C-Monaguillos</i>	<i>Lectores</i>	<i>Comentaristas</i>	<i>Ministeros</i>	<i>Coordinadores</i>
7:00 PM <i>Semana</i> <i>Cinco</i>	Francisco Garcia	Mariana Osorio	Angie Garcia Cleme Camarena	Ilda Villagomez	Irma Rivas Lucio Rivas	Lucia Serrano
Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
8:00 AM	P. Riedy	3 open	S. Younker	S. Younker	J. Strohmaier M. Riedy C. Ogden	K. Gallagher M. Riedy J. Shreier
10:00 AM	open	3 open	T. Tucker	D. Letterer	E. Manecke J. Durham K.Coates	J. Durham C. Davekos L. Brummel



Estimados Feligreses e Invitados

Como el Padre me ama, así también yo os amo a vosotros. Permanece en mi amor". Estas son las palabras de Jesús en el Evangelio de Juan, capítulo quince, versículo nueve. Comienzo con esta cita de Jesús porque nuestras lecturas de este domingo llaman nuestra atención sobre el don de la compasión.

En la primera lectura, "los complacientes" no tienen compasión por el colapso de José. En el evangelio, el hombre rico no tuvo compasión cuando Lázaro estaba pidiendo comida en su umbral. Esto es una atrocidad. Cuando una persona está tan preocupada por sí misma, o tan motivada por sus propios objetivos, o tan reconfortada por su lujo que no se conmueve con compasión por su prójimo necesitado. Este tipo de persona está lejos de Dios.

Refresquemos nuestro don de compasión por los necesitados.

+Bendiciones
Pr. Trowbridge

Anuncios

Directorio Pictórico de Santa Catarina de Genoa

Nos complace anunciar que estamos planeando un nuevo directorio pictórico.

Un fotógrafo estará en nuestra parroquia el 30 de septiembre y el 1 y 14 de octubre.

Inscríbase para una sesión de fotos:
en el nártex después de las misas del fin de semana.
en persona durante el horario de oficina
parroquial.

En línea, usando el enlace en el sitio web de
nuestra parroquia o visitando www.ucid.

Código de la iglesia de Santa Catalina: IL442

Contraseña: photos

Esta es una oportunidad maravillosa para las familias con la llegada de las fiestas.

Lunes 29 de Septiembre

San Gabriel, San Miguel y San Rafael, arcángeles

8:30 am – Misa / 9 am – Rosario

11 am – Legión de María

6 pm – Estudio Bíblico

Martes, 30 de Septiembre

San Jerónimo, sacerdote y doctor

8 am – Confesiones / 8:30 am – Misa / 9 am – Rosario

2 pm – Fotos del Directorio Parroquial

6:30 pm – Adoración Eucarística

Miércoles, 1 de Octubre

Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús, virgen y doctora

8:30 am – Misa / 9 am – Rosario

2 pm – Fotos del Directorio Parroquial

6 pm – Salón Parroquial de la Legión de María

6:30 pm – FFF K - 6 & Primera Comunión

Jueves, 2 de Octubre -

Los Santos ángeles guardianes

8:30 am – Misa / 9 am – Rosario

Viernes, 3 de Octubre

8:30 am – Misa / 9 am – Rosario

9am – 7pm 1er viernes Adoración

Sábado, 4 de Octubre

San Francisco de Asís

9 am – Confesiones

11 am - Reunión trimestral del almuerzo de CCW

Domingo, 5 de Octubre - 27° Domingo del T.O.

Domingo de respeto a la vida

9:30 am – Confirmación 1 y 2

9:30 am - Primera Comunión Grados 2 y 3

**El 4 de octubre, festividad de San Francisco de Asís,
traigan a sus mascotas para una bendición especial.**

**Nos reuniremos en el jardín sur a las
3:30 p.m.**

****Respuesta: El pecado original.****

Directory



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