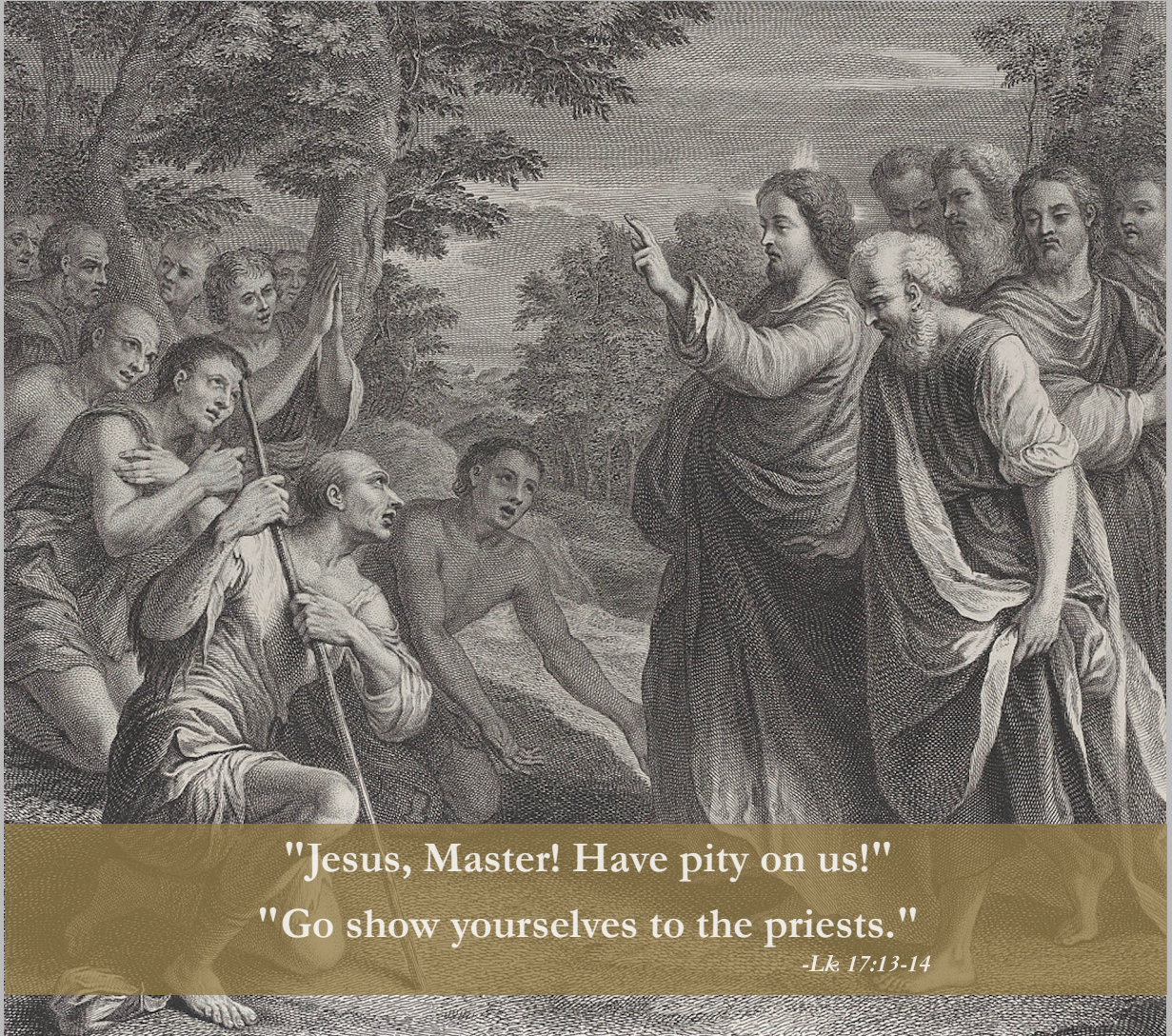




St. Catherine of Genoa

CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 12, 2025



"Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!"

"Go show yourselves to the priests."

-Lk 17:13-14

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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From the Desk of Father Trowbridge



Dear Parishioners & Guests!

It is a blessing for us to pray together. We are a family of faith fed by the Lord. When we pray together we are fed by the Word of God, by His Precious Body and Blood. We are edified and supported by our fellow parishioners who are “fighting the good fight” by our side.

As a priest I am brought joy when we pray together at Mass. Jesus asked us to “Do this in memory of Me,” when He was with the Apostles at the Last Supper. At every Mass, we do! It is good to follow the instruction of the Lord.

I am grateful to Deacon Bill for preaching last weekend on the gift of our faith. One point that he made regarding our faith is that it is fed when we live it out. What is the point of having our faith if it does not direct the way that we live. I am glad he made this point because every person needs to be encouraged in what they are doing already and motivated to continue this good work for others.

This Sunday is the second week of Respect Life month and is one of the avenues in which the Catholic Church is active in our diocese, state, nation and world. As Catholics we really need to know what the Church teaches on the topics of Respect Life and why she teaches what she does.

Statistically we know people who have made life decisions that are contrary to the Church’s teaching regarding the dignity of life. It is possible that your own family or even you have made a life decision contrary to these teachings. As a priest this would not be a surprise because our earthly path has many opportunities and circumstances that point us down

an imperfect path. When the Church elaborates on her teaching it is not to shame those who have acted imperfectly, it is to indicate where the steepest pitfalls in life are so that we may avoid stumbling and falling into them in the future. In Christian charity we also strive to assist our family members and neighbors in avoiding these pitfalls. When we do not respect the gift of life we increase injury in the human family and we create a fracture between us and God.

Clarity in the church’s teaching helps us to connect with God and turn to Him for healing where spiritual or physical injury has been present. ***Many times people avoid learning what the Church teaches out of fear, pride or hate.*** Regarding fear, we do not know what we will learn and it is easier not to know for if I learn something that I am in violation of I fear the need to change. Regarding pride, we avoid learning what the Church teaches because we have created a path in life that we like and, frankly, we don’t care what God wants. We would rather do our thing on our terms and sort out the details later. Regarding hatred, we avoid learning what the Church teaches because we despise the fact that the church would even teach “this or that” and a person is willing to persist in hating the Church for what they think she teaches, rather than learning what the Church teaches and why it is so.

Jesus, in speaking to the Jews who believed in Him shared the following, “If you remain in my Word, you will truly be my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” [Jn 8:31-32] The Church is the steward of Jesus’ Word, her teaching is faithful to His. This, we strive, in faith, to follow what the Church teaches, not on our terms, but as a child of faith seeking to follow God in all things.

+ Richest Blessings,

Rev J.A. Trowbridge

Mass & Devotions



This Weekend October 11 & 12

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

5:00 p. m. † Dorothy Lundy (Dorothy Crackel)

7:00 p. m. † Guadalupe Zepeda Peña
(The Ortega Family)

8:00 a. m. † Mike Burmeister (Nancy Burmeister)

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of SCG

Monday, October 13

8:30 a.m. † Martin Bosshart (Eileen Bosshart)

Tuesday, October 14 *St. Callistus*

8:30 a.m. † Charlie Kirk

Wednesday, October 15

8:30 a. m. † Nayeli Andrade Serrano and

† Jackie Andrade Serrano (Norma Cortex)

Thursday, October 16 *St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

8:30 a. m. † Nayeli Andrade Serrano and

† Jackie Andrade Serrano (Norma Cortex)

Friday, October 17 *St. Ignatius of Antioch*

8:30 a. m. † Nayeli Andrade Serrano and

† Jackie Andrade Serrano (Norma Cortex)

Next Weekend October 18 & 19

Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

5:00 p. m. † Sue Jastrowski

7:00 p. m. † Luisa Medina Vega

& † Natividad Cortes Gayton

8:00 a. m. Parishioners of SCG

10:00 a.m. † Virginia Brummel

Prayer Intentions

Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for October:

That believers in different traditions
might work together to defend and promote
peace, justice and human fraternity

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 LaMontagne, 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: ¿Cuál es la primera de las
Estaciones del Vía Crucis?

Calendar



Announcements

Monday, October 13

11am – Legion of Mary
6 pm – Bible Study
6 pm – Armada Blanca
6:30 pm – KC Rosary Church
7 pm – K of C Business Meeting

Tuesday, October 14

2 – 8:30 pm Parish Directory photos

Wednesday, October 15

6 pm – Legion of Mary Parish Hall

Sunday, October 19

8:30am – K of C Breakfast
9:30am – 12pm Confirmation Class 1

Received the Sacrament of Baptism

October 5, 2025
Whitney Christine Engel
child of
Mark and Rachel Engel

Knights of Columbus Vocations Raffle

Please support our diocesan seminarians.
Pick up a ticket booklet and return the tickets and funds to a member of the knights or the parish office by November 16th. Checks payable to the Knights of Columbus.
Your support is greatly appreciated!
Contact Bob Hewlett with questions.

Parish Photo Directory Photography Dates: October 14th and December 30th

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.

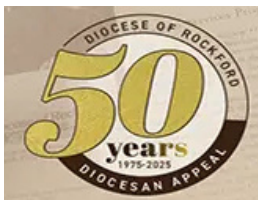
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Password: photos

**Parishioners may submit a photo if unable to schedule a photography session.*



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: October 4 & 5

Parish: \$5,492 Building: \$422
Utilities: \$525 Given Online: \$495
Copies of our 2025-2026

Copies of our annual budget are available at the south church entrance.

Online Giving

You can conveniently donate to our church by clicking on the "GIVE" button on the homepage of our parish website. From there, follow the simple steps to set up a variety of giving options.





Estimados Feligreses e Invitados,

En toda circunstancia, dad gracias, porque esta es la voluntad de Dios para vosotros en Cristo Jesús". Estas son las palabras de nuestra aclamación de Aleluya para la Misa de hoy. La Iglesia nos invita a una postura de gratitud. Cuando estamos agradecidos por las bendiciones de Dios, nos libra de una serie de tentaciones y pecados. Nuestra sociedad llora las letras de la víctima, solo hay una víctima, Jesucristo. En su inocencia, Él asume nuestra culpa para que las puertas de la vida eterna se abran para nosotros. Caminamos con Él para crecer en bondad y virtud. Estamos llamados a soportar nuestros errores con paciencia y a perseverar a la luz del evangelio. Nuestro evangelio destaca el hecho de que uno de cada diez leprosos sanados regresó para dar gracias a Jesús. El 90% de los que fueron restaurados no dieron gracias. Incluso si estaban agradecidos en su corazón, nunca lo expresaron. Qué triste. ¡La Misa dominical es nuestra expresión de agradecimiento a Dios que santifica el sábado! Acudamos a Dios con acción de gracias todos los días y en esto seremos guiados lejos de las tinieblas y permaneceremos en la luz de Dios. ¡En esto estamos mejor equipados para ayudar a aquellos a quienes amamos, aquellos a quienes estamos llamados a servir! Gracias y que Dios te bendiga.

**+Bendiciones,
Pr. Trowbridge**

Anuncios

Fechas de fotografía del directorio de fotos de la parroquia: 14 de octubre

Inscríbete en una sesión de fotos:

1. en el nártex después de las misas de fin de semana.
2. en persona durante el horario de oficina parroquial.
3. en línea de lunes a viernes usando el enlace en el sitio web de nuestra parroquia o visite www.ucid.

Código de la iglesia de Santa Catalina: IL442

Contraseña: fotos

Lunes, 13 de octubre

11 am – Legión de María
6 pm – Estudio Bíblico
6 pm – Armada Blanca
6:30 pm – Iglesia del Rosario de KC
7 pm – Reunión de negocios de KofC

Martes, 14 de octubre

San Calisto I, papa y mártir
2 – 8pm Fotos del Directorio Parroquial

Miércoles, 15 de octubre *Santa Teresa de Jesús*
6 pm – Salón Parroquial de la Legión de María

Jueves 16 de octubre

Santa Eduvigis, religiosa;
Santa Margarita María Alacoque, virgen

Viernes 17 de octubre *San Ignacio de Antioquía*

Sábado, 18 de octubre *San Lucas, evangelista*

Domingo, 19 de octubre

29° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

8:30 am – SH-Café y donas
9:30am – 12pm Confirmación Clase 1

Haga una peregrinación a DeKalb y únase a nosotros en el sacrificio de la Santa Misa en memoria de aquellos que han fallecido por suicidio.

Misa de recuerdo

Viernes, 7 de noviembre de 2025.
18:00 h.
Iglesia católica St. Mary.
302 Fisk Ave, Dekalb, IL 60115

Traiga una foto enmarcada de 5 x 7 o más pequeña de su ser querido.
(Se la llevará a casa).

Todos están invitados a quedarse para la adoración del Santísimo Sacramento después de la misa.

¡Todos son bienvenidos!
Patrocinado por la parroquia St. Mary y el
Ministerio Católico de Salud Mental

DIocese of ROCKFORD
Catholic Charities

Respuesta: Jesús es condenado a muerte.

Sacraments



Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick is to be celebrated at different times of illness:

- 1) when a person becomes ill
- 2) when a persisting illness gets worse
- 3) before any surgery
- 4) when death is immanent

This celebration of the sacrament seeks physical recovery and spiritual strength during the healing journey. God's grace at this time is a comfort to the soul.

There is a final celebration of Anointing of the Sick which is before death when the recipient is still alert and can receive Holy Communion. This is Anointing and Viaticum. Viaticum refers to the final reception of Holy Communion before going to the Lord.

Something special during this celebration is the Apostolic Pardon. This is a prayer connected to absolution which forgives the time a soul is due to endure in purgatory. This is a permission given by the Holy See as an act of the Church's mercy for souls close to death. Always ask a priest for the Apostolic Pardon!

Many times in my priesthood I have been asked to anoint a parishioner and they were non-responsive, sedated and unable to be alert for the sacrament.

Tell your family, ***"If I go to the hospital, call father. I want to be anointed when I am alert and aware!"***

If you or someone you know is not alert or aware during the anointing of the sick, that is okay. you can have them anointed. It certainly still counts as a validly celebrated sacrament.

Marriage

This sacrament is the foundation of family life and is always celebrated as a sacrament in our Catholic life. Couples planning to be married should contact the parish before finalizing with their reception venue. At a minimum, contact the parish six months prior to your proposed wedding date.

Baptism

Please baptize your children as soon as possible. Parents seeking baptism for their child must bring a copy of the birth certificate to the parish office and register for a baptism preparation class. Classes are held on the second Sunday of the month following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Liturgical Roles - October 18 & 19

Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
5:00 PM	<i>open</i>	<i>3 open</i>	C. Vincent	C. Vincent	C. Dumoulin	C. Dumoulin K. Frederick
<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>Tres</i>	Francisco Garcia	Mariana Osorio	Lucia Serrano Pascual Alvaro Osorio	Nancy Aguilera	Irma Rivas Lucio Rivas	Ana Maria Martinez
Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
8:00 AM	P. Riedy	<i>3 open</i>	T. Barrett	T. Barrett	P. Hansen H. Davis	K. Gallagher
10:00 AM	<i>open</i>	<i>3 open</i>	A. Hughes	D. Letterer	E. Manecke J. Durham K. Coates	J. Durham L. Brummel

Directory



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prudent financial assistance to
residents of Genoa and the surrounding area.
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297 E. Jefferson Ave, Hampshire, IL 60140

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