



St. Catherine of Genoa

CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 9, 2025



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Let us calculate the cost in following Jesus.

*Lord, I desire to renounce all things
so I can truly be Your disciple!*

23rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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From the Desk of Father Trowbridge



Dear Parishioners & Guests!

It is a joy to pray with you on this Holy Sabbath! When we gather around our sacred altar we are prepared for sacrifice. We sacrifice our energy and attention so that we may give glory to God. We offer our time, we put away our phones and we maintain reverent posture so that our prayer may be peaceful and attentive. If we have children and you need to wrestle with their wiggles, you have our prayers. We are a family parish and many of us who sit quietly today have already lived through the adventure of wiggling kiddos. Hang in there!

Our readings today bring us to the virtues of prudence and fortitude. Jesus offers the people a challenge that appeals to the perseverance of fortitude. He asks, "Do you have what it takes?" Certain people, when they are challenged in this way, rise up to the tall demand that will likely come next. Jesus uses the example of a construction project and a military battle to deepen His point. Do you have the money? Do you have the power? Have you thought this through? These are sensible questions and they prepare His crowds, they prepare us for his main objective: be willing to reject all things for my sake, then you can be my disciple! Wow! What a challenge. If we were born Catholic we may never have been challenged in our Catholic identity. There are many who have joined the Church later in life and would have familiarity "counting the cost of our faith."

Whatever our circumstance, Jesus reminds us that following Him is a total commitment. Let us reach into the foundation of our life and refresh our desire to follow Jesus in all things. May His strength invigorate our gift of faith that we may persevere for our own salvation and that we may be a light to those whom we love to help them in their salvation!

Today Pope Leo XIV will be canonizing two young saints: Blessed Carlo Acutis & Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. I am very excited to read the text of Pope Leo's homily. This blessed event is an opportunity to share inspirational stories from the lives of these holy people! Pope Leo will have the opportunity to encourage us on our journey through their example as faithful witnesses of the gospel.

In anticipation of the Feast of St. Catherine we will pray the novena prayers before each Mass beginning on Saturday, September 6th and concluding on Sunday the 14th. While her feast is on Monday, our celebrations will be on Sunday! I hope you are able to join us for the Eucharistic Procession after the 10:00 AM Mass and our pork chop lunch by Fay's afterward. I am excited for these next many blessed days of prayer to thank God for the gift of our dear Italian saint! She prays for us each day. I know she does, because I ask her to! 😊

Let us persevere in prudence and fortitude as faithful disciples of Jesus. Have a blessed Sunday!

+ Richest Blessings,

Rev J.A. Trowbridge

Mass & Devotions



This Weekend September 6 & 7

Twenty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

5:00 p. m. †Earl Amidon

7:00 p. m. †Maria Avila Gonzalez
(Family de Avila/Parra)

8:00 a. m. †Marcella Schreier

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of SCG

Monday, September 8

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a. †Sr. Marianne Nilges

Tuesday, September 9 *St. Peter Claver*

8:30 a. m † David Viens

Wednesday, September 10

8:30 a. m. † Martin Young

Thursday, September 11

8:30 a. m. †Carl W. Dumoulin

Friday, September 12 The

Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30 a.m. For Michael Golab

Next Weekend September 13 & 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5:00 p. m. †Julia Caise (Dorothy Crackel)

7:00 p. m. †Antonio Estrada & †Maria Rocha
(Family de Tapia/Parra)

8:00 a. m. †Cheryl Korth

(Korth & Coffey Families)

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of SCG

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, Scott Star, Balvina Mascote,

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: ¿Cuál es el límite de tiempo que tienen los cardenales para elegir a un nuevo Papa?

Calendar



Announcements

Monday, September 8th

8 – 9am Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
11 am – Legion of Mary
6 pm – Bible Study- in Spanish
6 pm – OCIA Class (Mass)
6:30 pm– KC Rosary
7 pm – K of C Business Meeting

Tuesday, September 9th

8 am – Confessions
6:30 pm – Adoration
7 pm – Confessions

Wednesday, September 10th

6 pm – Legion of Mary

Saturday, September 13th

9 am – Confessions
5 pm – Mass
6 pm – Armada Blanca

Sunday, September 14th

8 am – Mass
9:30am – Confirmation Class 1 & 2
10 am – Mass
11am – SCG Feast Day - Pork Chop Lunch

Religious Education

Family Faith Formation class has been reschedule
Grades K - 6: September 17th
Confirmation: September 14th
Sign-up in the parish office or on our new parish website, stcatherinegenoa.org .

Feast of St. Catherine of Genoa

Join us in celebration of our parish patroness on **Sunday, September 14th 11:00 a.m.** for a procession around our outdoor Stations of the Cross followed by a pork chop lunch.
There will be sign-up sheets in the narthex for parishioners to bring sides and salads.

Parish Photo Directory

A photographer will be at St. Catherine on: **September 30th and October 1st.**

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

Weekend Collection: Aug 30 & 31

Parish: \$5,292
Building: \$10
Given Online: \$1,425



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.



Online Giving

You can conveniently donate to our church by 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.



Driving along today, I wondered what it must have been like years ago to cross the country before interstates and tollways. The scenic route. Windows down, dust and wind in your face, no air conditioning, no GPS. Just a map folded and refolded, the compass of sun and stars, and the company of fellow travelers. Every town meant water, every hill a climb, every detour a discovery. Life with Christ is much the same. It is not the interstate—straight, smooth, and predictable. It is the winding road of discipleship, filled with detours, unexpected hills, and long stretches of trust. Yet on this road, beauty unfolds that can never be seen at seventy miles an hour.

The saints knew this. St. Augustine confessed, “You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.” That restlessness is the long road—dusty, sometimes weary, but always drawing us toward Him. Convenience often robs us of wonder. We want the fastest way, the air-conditioned lane, the clear sign. Yet the Lord whispers: “This is the way, walk in it” (Isaiah 30:21). His way is not easy, but it is rich—with the lessons of patience, the discovery of providence, the joy of reliance on Him. Perhaps our call today is to take the scenic route of grace. To notice the small towns of mercy, the winding hills of trust, the wide skies of gratitude. For when the journey is less about speed and more about presence, we find that Christ has been our companion all along.

Liturgical Roles - 13th & 14th of September

Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
5:00 PM	<i>open</i>	<i>3 open</i>	J. Jastrowski	J. Jastrowski	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>SemanaDos</i>	Pascual Alvaro Osorio	Mariana Osorio	Lupita Ortega Guadalupe Beltran	Ana Maria Martinez	Rosana Orozco Casy Contreras	Angie Garcia
Mass Time	Sacristan	Altar Servers	Lector	Commentator	Greeters	Ushers
8:00 AM	P. Riedy	<i>3 open</i>	T. Barrett	T. Barrett	K. Sunderlage M. Riedy <i>1 open</i>	K. Gallagher M. Riedy T. Sunderlage
10:00 AM	<i>open</i>	<i>3 open</i>	H. Davekos	D. Letterer	E. Manecke J. Durham K.Coates	J. Durham J. Siegwarth L. Brummel



Estimados Feligreses e Invitados

Cada semana damos gracias a Dios Padre por el don de su Hijo Jesús. Ruego para que la fuerza de Jesús en la Sagrada Comunión alimente la fe de su familia mientras nos esforzamos por seguir fielmente a Dios cada día y llevar su luz a cada rincón de nuestro mundo para disipar la oscuridad.

Las virtudes evangélicas de esta semana son la prudencia y la fortaleza. La prudencia es la virtud que cumple dos funciones. Primero, nos ayuda a descubrir el bien, la mejor meta para nuestro futuro. Segundo, nos ayuda a elegir el mejor camino para lograr esa meta. La fortaleza, nuestra segunda meta evangélica, es la fuerza para perseverar en el logro de la meta. Hay muchos obstáculos y distracciones en la vida, ¡la fortaleza nos ayuda a mantener el rumbo con fuerza!

Esforcémonos por cultivar estas virtudes de prudencia y fortaleza para que el Reino de Dios pueda construirse con nuestra ayuda.

+Bendiciones

Pr. Trowbridge

11 DE SEPTIEMBRE
NUNCA OLVIDEMOS



Lunes, 8 de septiembre

8am – *Natividad de la Santísima Virgen María*

11 am – Legión de María

6 pm – Estudio Bíblico

6 pm – O.C.I.A - Clase y misa

7 pm – Reunión de negocios de C de C

Martes, 9 de septiembre

San Pedro Claver Corberó, sacerdote

8 am – Confesiones y 9 am – Rosario

6:30 pm – Adoración

7 pm – Confesiones (6:55-7:20)

Miércoles, 10 de septiembre

8:30 am – Misa y 9 am – Rosario

6 pm – Legión de María

Jueves, 11 de septiembre

Día de los patriotas

Viernes, 12 de septiembre

El santísimo nombre de María

8:30 am – Misa y 9 am – Rosario

Sábado, 13 de septiembre

San Juan Crisóstomo, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

6 pm – Armada Blanca

7 pm - Misa

Domingo, 14 de septiembre

La exaltación de la santa cruz

9:30 am – Confirmación Clase 1 y 2

11 a.m. – Almuerzo, chuleta de cerdo. Día de la fiesta de SCG

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 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.

Fiesta de Santa Catalina de Genoa

Acompañenos a celebrar a nuestra patrona parroquial con una procesión y un almuerzo de chuletas de cerdo.

Domingo 14 de septiembre, 12:00 p. m.

Los feligreses deben traer guarniciones y ensaladas.

Educación Religiosa

¡Las clases comienzan pronto! Grados K-6: 3 de septiembre

Confirmación: 17 de septiembre

Inscríbase en la oficina parroquial o en nuestro nuevo sitio web parroquial: stcatherinegenoa.org.

****Respuesta: No hay un límite de tiempo oficial****

Directory



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