



Saint Genevieve Catholic Church

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Knights of Columbus: First Thursday of the month
 7:30 p.m.

Good Samaritan Group: 215-353-7577

DEVOTIONS

Adoration: Wed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 4:00
 Miraculous Medal Novena: Mon. after 8 a.m. Mass
 Rosary: Weekdays after the 8 a.m. Mass
 Tuesday Evening at 7:30 p.m.
 Liturgy of the Hours: Weekdays:
 Morning Prayer 7:40

NEWCOMERS

A warm welcome is extended to those who are new in the parish neighborhood. We invite you to stop in the Parish Office to register to become parishioners of St. Genevieve Church.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday Masses: 7:30 10:15 11:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
 9:00 a.m. at Seven Dolors Worship Site
 Weekday Mass: 6:30 Tues-Wed (Sept-June)
 8:00 A.M. Mon-Fri
 Holy Days: 5:30 Vigil, 6:30, 8:00 A.M.
 Holy Day Mass at Worship Site 7:00 P.M.
 (1200 E. Willow Grove Ave., Wyndmoor)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First & Third Sunday of the month at 12:45 P.M. Please call Parish office to begin preparation for Baptism. Pre-Jordan classes are on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
 Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 P.M. and by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage, please contact parish priest, at least six months prior to the intended date to begin preparations.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home.

COMMUNION CALLS

Ministers will bring Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly because of sickness or infirmities. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012
MASS FOR THE PARISHIONERS
 will be offered: 10:15 A.M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13
 8:00 Mary and James Carney

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14
 6:30 Marilyn Spencer
 8:00 Patricia Cahill

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15
 6:30 Katherine Teefy
 8:00 Rose Giudici

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16
 8:00 Anthony Giaccio

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17
 8:00 James Dwyer

**PLEASE PRAY for the sick, those in hospitals,
 nursing homes and especially for:**

Sylvia Ritter	Thomas Fanning	Rita Lederer
Tom Heleniak	Patrice Lincoln	Dennis Dougherty
David Osten	Sandy Buono	Stephanie Jazyk
John Walters	Jason Asterito	Robert Knox
Hugh Duncan	Joseph Horger	Bernie Razler
Tom Lederer	John Schoudler	Ann Tobin
Melissa Feliciano	Christian Behl	Jimmy Del Zotto
Edward O'Lone	Kathleen O'Lone	Rozanne Brickley
Anthony Bonanno	Bella T Lederer	Phyllis Angelone
Ann Keogh	Robert Ostapower	Bernadette Gannon
George Thibodeau	Rose Hearn	Barbara Casertano
Frank Fitzpatrick	Desmond Cox	Louis Marchiano
David Murray	Colleen Murray	Dawn Reinhart
Jan Bradley	P.J. Lawn	Michael Brindisi
Anthony Brindisi	Anthony M. Guidice	

**PLEASE PRAY for those who have died, those of our
 family and friends**

Anne Bradley, Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua, Sr. Joan
 Agnes O'Brian SSJ, Sister Francs Grisillo,SSJ

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection for: February 5, 2012 \$11,707.

Collection for Aging and Ill Priest: \$2,875.

*We gratefully acknowledge your generous and
 consistent financial support.*

BAPTISM

With joy, we welcome three new members into our
 community through Baptism:

Clare Caroline Farnoly
Daughter of Thomas and Margaret

Maron Elizabeth Feliciani
Daughter of Gregory and Elizabeth

Matilda Rose Lutte
Daughter of Scot-Michael and Deanna

Baptized on February 5, 2012
By Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Matz

WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

A RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE NOTE

Prayer for a Culture of Life

“Lord, you created man and women in your image and
 endowed them with your dignity. You call each of us to
 be agents of your justice and mercy in the world. Help us
 to build a culture of life – a culture that holds all human
 life in reverence, from the unborn child and the
 immigrant, to the poor, the homeless, the infirm and the
 elderly. Give us the character to live the Gospel not just
 with our words, but with our hearts and our actions.
 Make us quick to forgive each other, quick to listen to
 each other and eager to serve those who are suffering
 and in need. And finally Lord, in all things, fill us with
 the courage to follow St. Paul when he urges us to
 ‘speak the truth in love.’ We ask this trusting in your
 goodness and in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.
 Amen”

Archbishop Charles Chaput

**LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT
CONCERNING HEALTH CARE**

This letter was read at all the Masses last weekend.

Dear Friends in Christ,

The United States Department of Health and Human Services announced on January 20 that almost all employers, including Catholic employers, will be forced to offer their employees health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be forced to include those “services” in the health policies they write. And almost all individuals will be forced to buy that coverage as a part of their policies.

In so ruling, the current Administration has undermined both the principle of religious conscience and the First Amendment to the Constitution in an unprecedented way. Unless the ruling is overturned, faithful Catholics will be forced either to violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees and suffer the penalties for doing so. The Administration’s only concession was to give our institutions a one-year delay to comply. This is not merely inadequate. It is dangerous. And it betrays the good faith of many Catholics who – until now- have supported the current Administration with an honest will.

Bishops and lay Catholic leaders across the United States have made it clear that we cannot comply with this unjust law without compromising our convictions and undermining the Catholic identity of many of our service ministries. This is not just another important issue among the many we need to be concerned about. The ruling is different. This ruling interferes with the basic right of Catholic citizens to organize and work for the common good as Catholics in the public square.

Today, I ask of you two things. First, we need to pray for our country, for our Church, and for our own right to work freely as a believing community through our ministries in the public square. Second, we need to act. Please visit the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference website at www.pacatholic.org to learn how to contact your federal Representative and Senators. Write them, call them, visit them- and help them understand the deep resistance of Pennsylvania Catholics to this dangerous ruling. Please also visit www.usccb.org/conscience, to learn more about this attack on religious conscience, and how to work to reverse the Administration’s decision.

Your action on this issue matters – not just today but for many years to come; and in ways that will shape the ability of the Church to witness the Gospel publicly through her ministries well into future. Please know that you have my gratitude and daily prayers. And please remember me in your prayers as well.

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**



At the time that Jesus lived, leprosy was probably the worst disease that a person could have. Once discovered, the individual was ostracized from the community and left to die with others who had the same infirmity.

The leper who approached Jesus says to him: “If you wish, you can make me clean: what hope this poor man placed in Jesus! And because of his confidence in Jesus’ ability to heal, he is offered a new beginning. Jesus, in his infinite mercy reaches out and actually touches the leper – which would NOT have been the thing to do! Jesus breaks through the preconceived notion that a person who has leprosy can only go off somewhere remote and die. Jesus gave this man new life- offered him a new beginning.

Although leprosy doesn’t exist in our modern world thanks to the advances of medicine over the years, this gospel image is still a powerful one. It can become a symbol or an allegory for all those kinds of things that can happen to us that lead us to a conclusion that our life is over, and we are not just referring to physical or terminal illness. There are other things that can isolate people and make them feel their life is hopeless.

So there is Jesus, the healer, coming onto the scene and destroying “death” and giving life with the words: “I do will it. Be made clean.” So pray for healing, have confidence in the Lord’s power, know that he can heal and free us from sin and death in whatever form they might appear. But we also must be patient and persevering. The healing may not occur as instantaneously as described in the gospel. Yet, a strong desire to pray, and a faithfulness to prayer every day will indeed allow Jesus to slowly but powerfully change our hearts. The miracle will come, but perhaps not in the way that we expect!

WALKING WITH JESUS INTO HOLY WEEK**A Retreat Weekend with the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer**

Listen to Jesus share his journey at this time of his life. How does this speak to your own journey?

Retreat weekend for young single women interested in discovering more about faith, discernment and religious life.

Friday, March 30th – Sunday, April 1st begins 5:30pm Friday evening.

Sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer

For more information or to request a brochure, please contact:

Sr. Ana Dura, CSR 215-914-4109

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ST GENEVIEVE STUDENTS EXCEL AT MT. ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

Congratulations to the following students who received Academic Honors at Mt. St. Joseph Academy:

First honors: Emily Brown, Jessica Dolan, Emily Eck, Lauren Garoppo, Noelle Harkins, Jane Hughes, Grace Lynch, Kiera McCloy, Katrianna Okamoto, Lauren Pugh, Shannon Reilly, Lia Rocchino, Christine Sedlack

Second honors: Toni Mascaro and Leona Ryder

VENTURE CREW

Venture Crew (part of the Boy Scouts) is a co-ed program looking for young men and women ages 14 to 21, who have an interest in high adventure outdoor activities such as camping, backpacking, rock climbing, whitewater rafting etc. Venture is a program based on exciting and meaningful activities that help youth pursue their special interests, to grow and to develop leadership skills.

For more information check our website www.VentureCrew426.com or call Bill Delmar @215-836-2135 or Marcie Galdo @215-948-3437.

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School News**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten Registration will be held on Wednesday, February 15th and Thursday, February 16th from 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the parish hall.

In order to register you must bring the following items at this time:

- a) Birth Certificate (child must be five years of age by September 1, 2012)
- b) Baptismal Certificate
- c) Complete Immunization Records
- d) Registration Fee of \$200 (non-refundable)
Registration will not be accepted without the above documentation.

If you have any questions, please call the School Office at (215) 836-5644, or e-mail us at welcome@stgens.com.

DANCE PARTY AND AUCTION

Pull out your jean jacket, get your hair permed, and pull on those leg warmers! Gear up for SGS's Rock the Casbah Awesome 80s Dance Party and Auction! Be totally rad and come to Lorenz Hall on Saturday, February 25th from 7PM until the mix tape runs out! Plenty of food, beer, wine, and fun are to be had! Tickets will be on sale after Masses and by contacting Kristen at kristendoran@comcast.net. Don't be lame price is \$30 per person until 2/12. Gag me with a spoon price is \$40 per person after 2/12. Go to stgens.com for more info. Be tubular and be there or be square!

URGENT: PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS IN SUPPORT OF SCHOOL CHOICE

If a school voucher program had been in place 15 or even 10 years ago the recent school restructuring to ensure sustainability would not have been so drastic.

We need to channel our energy into this effort so that Pennsylvania's education system will be more just and equitable.

Please visit www.pacatholic.org to contact your legislators and ask them to support school choice. The legislature needs to know that you care about vouchers.