

# WORSHIP & MUSIC

Liturgical Music Ministry at St. Genevieve Parish is a strong and vibrant expression of our parish worship life. There is a place for all who wish to join and commitments are flexible based on participant availability.

## **St. Genevieve Choir**

This Choir serves faithfully each Sunday morning at the 10:15am Mass. We are committed to deepening the prayer life of the congregation through music. In addition, the choir sings an annual concert each year. Rehearsals are held on Monday evenings, 7:00 - 8:30PM in the Church. Membership is open to high school students and adults.

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## **St. Genevieve Guitar Group**

Contemporary worship music is the focus of this ensemble, which leads the assembly in an upbeat and energetic style. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. The guitar group leads music ministry at one 5pm Vigil Mass per month and practices on Thursday evenings, 7:30-9pm.

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## **St. Genevieve Children's Choir**

Welcoming children ages 5-12, this group meets at 9:15am on the third and fourth Sundays of each month, providing music for the 10:15am Mass on each fourth Sunday. This ensemble serves as a training group, where basics of music and singing are taught along with appreciation of the Sacred Liturgy.

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## **Youth/Young Adult Ensemble**

This group meets at 3:15pm on one Sunday per month and ministers at a 5pm Sunday Mass once per month, serving the Liturgy through a variety of contemporary music. The ensemble is open to singers and instrumentalists.

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## **Cantor Ministry**

Open to established St. Gen's choral singers or experienced vocalists, this ministry offers a self-paced online preparation for one Mass per month, according to singer availability and parish need.

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## **Chant Ministry (New)**

Interested in learning more about the history and performance practice of sacred chant and plainsong? Contact the music director to find out about this new opportunity to enhance liturgical worship through unaccompanied chant. Flexible online preparation with opportunities to minister at rotating Masses.

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# CATECHESIS

## **RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)**

This ministry provides education and guidance to adults seeking initiation into the Catholic faith via baptism and/or confirmation.

Contact Deacon Michael Conroy at (215) 836-2828 or at [mconroy@stgensparish.com](mailto:mconroy@stgensparish.com)

## **PREP (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM)**

This program provides sound Catholic catechesis to those of our parish children who do not attend Catholic school.

### **LEVEL 1 - LEVEL 6**

Children are taught the foundations of our faith and are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. They receive the sacraments in community with St. Genevieve's School. They meet once a week on Tuesday evenings from 6:15PM until 7:35PM from mid-September through mid-May.

### **LEVEL 7 - LEVEL 8**

The goal of this program is to help children understand their place in the Church as newly confirmed Catholics. They meet every other Sunday after the 10:15 Mass until 12:30PM from mid-September through mid-May.

Contact Mrs. Joan Dierkes at (215) 836-1994 or at [prep@stgensparish.com](mailto:prep@stgensparish.com)

## **CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

This ministry is for children from 3 years - Kindergarten. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori approach to teaching little children our faith. It meets once a week from mid-September through Mid-May from 6:15PM until 7:35PM on Tuesday evenings.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Children's Liturgy of the Word is open to all children in Kindergarten through 2nd Grade attending the 10:15 Mass. During the Liturgy of the Word, the children gather in the narthex with an adult catechist. Here the children celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in a more child friendly format.

# OUTREACH

## **The Good Samaritan Society**

The Good Samaritan Society gets its name and its mission from the parable of the Good Samaritan. Our mission is to help support the marginalized, beginning with the parish and extending into the surrounding community. We provide food, housing and, fuel assistance to families in the parish who are undergoing hard times. We support Catholic Social Services in their Food Pantry, Thanksgiving Food Distribution, Christmas food & toy project and the summer camp for needy children. Members volunteer at the food kitchens of the Missionaries of Charity and the Catholic Worker House. We have 2 major food drives for Catholic Social Services and have a monthly casserole drive for Catholic Worker House. We also have a diaper drive to benefit local crises pregnancy shelters.

## **Habitat for Humanity**

We have recently begun a young adult outreach ministry that assists Habitat for Humanity in some local projects in the Philadelphia metropolitan area.

## **The Respect Life Committee**

The Respect Life Committee lives the truth of the Church's teaching that all life from conception to natural death is entitled to respect and protection. We support pro-life organizations that help pregnant women in crisis. We sponsor educational activities, diaper drives and liturgies for life. We have contributed funds, supplies and person power to assist Mary's House, Guiding Star Ministries and Legacy of Life Foundation. We sponsor a "Baby Bottle Drive" for Legacy of Life and diaper drives for each of the ministries. We sponsor an "Adopt An Unborn Baby" program. At the time of the annual "March for Life" we hold a Holy Hour for Life in support of the marchers.

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# SCHOOL

## **Mission Statement**

Saint Genevieve School empowers its students to succeed and thrive in an ever-changing world. Saint Genevieve School provides a rigorous and relevant education rooted in the Catholic faith and manifested in meaningful relationships with the school family and the global community.

Saint Genevieve School is a community of lifelong learners-parents, children and faculty. The school is a *Twice Recognized Blue Ribbon School of Excellence* and has recently been reaccredited by the Middle States Association Commission on Elementary Schools.

## **CARES, After School Program**

The CARES (Children Are Receiving Extended Services) program provides a service to parents and students who attend St. Genevieve School between the end of the regular school day until 5:30 p.m. There is adult supervision every day providing students a safe, productive environment until parents/caregivers arrive.