

# The St. Genesius Guild presents...



*A Two-Act Play by  
Cathal Gallagher*

### **Ticket Prices:**

**Adults 12 & up \$5.00**

**Children 5-11 \$3.00**

**Children under 5 free**

To reserve tickets, please  
email [thesggkc@gmail.com](mailto:thesggkc@gmail.com)

Contact with name, number  
of tickets (adult and children),  
and the performance date that  
you wish to attend.

*Performances will benefit  
the Little Sisters of the Poor*



### **Performance Dates and Times:**

**Friday, June 7th 7:00 pm**

**Saturday, June 8th 3:00 pm**

**Sunday, June 9th 3:00 pm**

In the Little Sisters of the Poor Auditorium  
8745 James A. Reed Rd  
Kansas City, MO 64138

The St. Genesius Guild  
"To the Faith through the Stage"

The Saint Genesius Guild was founded in 2009 by a group of young people in the Kansas City area who wanted to raise money for Catholic organizations. *Margaret of Castello* is our fourth production, and is suitable for all ages. For more information about the play and the guild, visit [www.thegenesiusguild.net](http://www.thegenesiusguild.net)

*Blessed Margaret of Castello, pray for us!*

*Saint Genesius, pray for us!*

# Blessed Margaret of Castello



Blessed Margaret of Castello was born of a noble Italian family near Florence, Italy, in 1287. Born a hunchback, dwarf, blind, and lame, her family was ashamed of her and kept her hidden beside a chapel. She could not get out, but could attend Mass and receive the Sacraments. It was only through the family chaplain that Blessed Margaret came to know God. After 14 years of imprisonment, seeking a miracle, her parents took her to a Franciscan Shrine. When she was not cured, they abandoned her.

Blessed Margaret's faith and courage inspired others in the community to take pity on her and to help her survive. Eventually she became a member of the Dominican Third Order of Castello, where she lived an exemplary life of prayer, penance, and charity.

Despite her miseries, Margaret was serene, cheerful, and courageous. She never became bitter, never complained, never reproached others or lost heart. Discouragement was a word she did not know. She found strength in prayer, in daily Mass, in Holy Communion, and sought help from Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and Saint Dominic.

When she died at age 33, the townspeople thronged to her funeral and demanded that "the saint" be buried in a tomb inside the church. The priest protested, but when a crippled girl was miraculously cured at the funeral, the people had their way. Blessed Margaret's story is one of the most moving we have ever read.