

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, January 28, 2024



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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
6:00 p.m. — Saturday
8:00 a.m. — Sunday

RIVERSIDE RESORT & CASINO
DON'S CELEBRITY THEATRE
4:00 p.m. — Saturday
10:00 a.m. — Sunday
12:00 noon — Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
8:00 a.m.
Monday, Tuesday and Friday

REV. CHARLES B. URNICK, ADMINISTRATOR

Deacon Richard Lambert - Pastoral Support - Deacon Dan McHugh

MISSION STATEMENT: To serve the needs of the growing faith community in this part of Southern Nevada, composed of residents, weekend visitors and snowbirds who pray together, work together so as to build up the body of Christ; to be witnesses likewise, to the historical legacy of the first recorded Catholic Mass in Nevada celebrated in Laughlin in 1776 by Father Francisco Garces, a Franciscan missionary.

Confessions: 15 minutes before each Mass

Baptisms: Baptisms are normally celebrated on Saturdays at 11:00 a. m. **Registered and active parishioners** should contact the priest one month in advance to make the arrangements.

Holy Day Masses: Please refer to St. John's Bulletin

Weddings: Weddings are normally celebrated on Saturdays at 11:00 a. m. **Registered and active parishioners** should contact the priest at least six months in advance to make the arrangements.

Directions to St. John the Baptist Church: From Casino Dr. go west on Bruce Woodbury Drive (across from the Edgewater Hotel). Continue approximately 3 miles to Needles Highway, turn left. At El Mirage Way (the first traffic light), turn right. Drive approximately 2 blocks, St. John's is on the corner of El Mirage Way and Banyon Drive.

**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Second Collection Schedule
Jan. 27-28 . . . Church in Latin America/E. Europe
Feb. 3-4 CSA

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Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all practicing Catholic gentlemen 18 years or older. For information, please call Grand Knight Gabe Nunez (760-217-0454) or visit www.facebook.com/Kofc12690.

MEETINGS ARE THE THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 5:00 PM (NV TIME)

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you" (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

Psalms - If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading - Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

Gospel - The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching (Mark 1:21-28).

TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice. The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. Some false prophets were extremely popular and quite well-versed in scripture, and even held positions of authority. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. Elsewhere, we also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. Today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

ANOINTING MASS
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
10:00 AM at the Church

The St. John's Guild invites everyone to join us for our Annual Anointing Mass & Mardi Gras Luncheon on Tuesday, February 13th, 10:00 AM here at the church.

Catholics may receive the Sacrament of the Sick many times throughout their lifetime for advanced age, impending surgery, for a feeling of well-being, strength, and for many other reasons.

Any Catholic may receive this sacrament and non-Catholics will receive a blessing. Family members and friends are encouraged to join us for the Mass and prayers, and for the Mardi Gras Luncheon in the Garces Center immediately following the Mass.

We will have sign up sheets available at all weekend Masses (or contact the church office) if you plan on attending the luncheon so we have an idea of how many people we need to feed!

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANOINTING MASS & LUNCHEON - FEB. 13th, 10:00AM, Church

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES - FEB. 14th, All Masses at Church
8:00AM, 12 NOON & 6:00PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FEB. 16th, and every Friday during
Lent, 6:00PM at Church

LENTEN MISSION RETREAT - FEB. 19th—22nd at Church

"Jesus Christ, Son of God, Not Only With Us But Also Within Us"
with Fr. Michael Moore of the St. Patrick Fathers

8:00AM Mass & Reflection

6:00PM Mass & Refection

Sign up sheets to reserve a personal consultation with Fr. Michael
are available in the church office.

50th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION PARTY - FEB. 25th

5:00PM-8:00PM

Starview Room (Riverside Resort)

Tickets: \$25.00

Tickets go on sale Feb. 1st

(All Times NV)

50 YEARS AS A PRIEST

On May 25, 2024, Father Charlie will celebrate 50 years as a priest! Of course, we will celebrate the exact date in May with a weekend of Masses and a party at the Garces Center, but I would to celebrate also while the snowbirds are still here. So...

FATHER CHARLIE URNICK'S

50th Anniversary of Ordination

RIVERSIDE RESORT in the Starview Room

Music, Entertainment, Buffet Dinner

(Only a short speech, or two!)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Nevada Time)

TICKETS: \$25.00 Each

TICKETS GO ON SALE FEBRUARY 1, 2024

May God bless us all in 2024

2024 is a year of celebration for me and for our founder Father John McShane. I was ordained on May 25, 1974, and Father John was ordained on December 7, 1974. Both of us will celebrate 50 years as a priest this year.

We will do a religious celebration of my 50th Anniversary on the actual date in May. We are doing this party on Sunday, February 25, 2024, in the Starview Room at the Riverside Resort. Tickets are \$25.00 each. They will go on sale the first weekend in February.

Father John is 80 years old and technically retired. Our parish is the only parish he founded in his 50 years as a Priest. We have been friends since 1992 and we are united in our love for Laughlin and the people of St. John the Baptist Parish.

I have invited Father John to share the February party with me. It will be a great opportunity for our parish to celebrate two priests ordained in 1974, two priests who love Laughlin and the people of St. John the Baptist Parish.

I COULD USE YOUR HELP WITH ONE THING...I need photos of Father John from the early days of our parish in the 1990's. Please check your photo albums and let me know what you have by the end of January.

I am honored to shared this milestone celebration with Father John McShane.

COLORADO RIVER HOLY WATER

In honor of Fr. Francisco Garces, for whom our Garces Center is named, we have blessed & packaged special containers of holy water using water from the Colorado River, the very same source of water that Fr. Garces used for blessings & baptisms almost 250 years ago. Each bottle also contains chips of real turquoise which was revered by the local tribes as a sign of peace, health & life.

We cannot sell the holy water because it is blessed, and a blessed item cannot be sold. But if you would like one, a donation of \$3.00 will cover the cost of the bottle & turquoise chips. Anything extra will be given to the Garces Center.

If you would prefer to bring your own water in your own containers, Fr. Charlie will be happy to bless the water at no charge. Not a bad idea to keep some holy water in our homes during these tumultuous times.



Church in Latin America and in Central & Eastern Europe

This weekend, January 27-28, 2024, our Archdiocese will take up a collection for the Church in Latin America and in Central & Eastern Europe.

This collection supports various pastoral projects throughout Latin America and the Caribbean and is made possible through the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Projects are at the continental, regional, diocesan and local levels, and include the work of evangelization, formation of laity, religious & seminarians, as well as youth ministry & catechesis.

This special collection also channels aid through the Bishops' conferences of Central and Eastern Europe to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church: training seminarians & catechetical centers, schools, church construction & renovation, & evangelization through Catholic mass media.

In this New Year of 2024, please be generous in your missionary outreach to our brothers & sisters in the faith, living in these diverse parts of the world.

Thank you, and may the Lord bless you for your generosity & faith.

Office of the Archbishop of Las Vegas

ST. JOHN'S LADIES GUILD

Meetings are held in the Garces Center on the first Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM. This great group of ladies help with a variety of projects for our church and community. For more information please contact Trish 702-298-0440.

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JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Would you like to grow more deeply in your faith? Do you have the desire to learn more about scripture? Would you like to meet other members of our parish family? Come and read the Scriptures and discuss how we can apply them to our daily lives. Everyone is invited! We meet every Tuesday at 8:00AM in the Garces Center.

For more information please contact Marilyn Tolone 909-618-3498.

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MARRIED COUPLES JUBILEE MASS

The Archdiocese of Las Vegas Annual Jubilee Mass for Married Couples will be celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Gregory W. Gordon on Sunday, February 4, 2024 at 2:00 PM at the Guardian Angel Cathedral, 302 Cathedral Way. There will be a reception in Anderson Hall immediately following the Mass. Couples married in the Catholic Church and celebrating their Golden, Silver or other significant wedding anniversaries in 2024 are invited to attend. Please submit a completed registration form together with a copy of your Catholic Marriage certificate (or similar proof of a Catholic wedding) to the Chancery office no later than January 31, 2024. A downloadable form is available on the archdiocesan website at www.dioceseoflasvegas.org. All are invited to join in this celebration.

CONFESSIONS are heard by Fr. Charlie 20 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

**January 27, 2024
Through
February 4, 2024**



Saturday Jan. 27	4:00 PM	Fr. Charlie, Fr. Dan & Fr. Henry
	6:00 PM	†Jim & Bonnie Cyganiak
Sunday Jan. 28	8:00 a.m.	†Lena Martha Boisseau
	10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
	12 Noon	†Judy Hamelin
Monday Jan. 29	8:00 a.m.	James Cardinal Harvey
Tuesday Jan. 30	8:00 a.m.	Jerry Patton
Friday Feb. 2	8:00 a.m.	Valerie & †Tim King-Anniv. Kathleen Mary Lopez
Saturday Feb. 3	4:00 p.m.	Liv/Dec Paul LeBreck Family
	6:00 p.m.	†Thomas Leonard
Sunday Feb. 4	8:00 a.m.	John Edward Pereira
	10:00 a.m.	†Zora Apt
	12 Noon	All Parishioners of SJB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	2 Sm 15:13-14,30;16:5-13;Ps 3;Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10,14b,24-25z,30-19:3; Ps 86; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2,9-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4,10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Saturday	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Jb 7:1-4,6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23; Mk 1:29-39

St. John's online Masses and social media locations

Website: Laughlin Catholic
<https://www.laughlincatholic.com>

YouTube: SJB Catholic Church
<https://www.youtube.com/@sjbcatholicchurch7616>

Facebook: Laughlin Catholic
<https://www.facebook.com/laughlincatholic>

PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF

PLEASE CALL SJB OFFICE TO INSERT NAMES ON THIS PAGE OF THE BULLETIN!

Janet Eliason - Patrick Kitto-JoAnn Ponzi-Marty and Angie Gray - Val Petersen- RuthAnn Petersen - Ed Wilmes -Shari Simms - Charles Sperando - Larry Walden -Bernie Thompson - June Daneck - Jan Finnegan - The Sedat Family - Frances Sneed - Tammy Fortner - Terry Sheehan - Jerri Misenheimer -Jerry Bowen - Cat Greer - Bill Marquardt - Natalie Hesser - Kathy Reifsteck - Agatha O'Shea - Rebecca Helm - Carlos Valdez - Kathleen Sperando - Merle & Marianne Mathews - Edna Burtraw - Frank Cabatungan - Carol Kubernach - Robert Lock - Richard Helge - Bonnie Blais - Ramiro Ozuna - Dee Schneider - Ski Piaczynski - Mike Schliskey - Leslie Seaton - Brittney Stone - Allison Trask - Samuel Pierce - Shaun Valdez-Barb Survillas -Allison Tucker - Christopher Siefken - Rebecca Holub - Colleen Ross - Gerry Hartman - Mike Duccini - Barb Saxe - Brian Klaum - Heather Applegate - Marian Barlow - Jane Vignoni - Joyce Young - Roy and Dora Dominguez - Bonnie Finn - Joel Cervantes - Judy Lippelt - Sallie Reddoch - Tyson Mercer - Vince Crowell - Fred Wells - Mike Kramer - Myra Speir - Marilyn Tolone

Names remain on our list 2 months and then are removed. Call the office 702-298-0440 when the health of you or your loved one has improved or if a name needs to be removed.

For many years we have listed the names of relatives and friends for whom prayers have been requested. While we try to keep that list updated, some of the names have remained there for years and occasionally we learn that one or several have died years ago. The list is really designed for those in immediate and serious need of the prayers of our parishioners and visitors.

Also, in view of the current privacy laws in our nation, individuals may not wish to have their names published at all. We have tried to be careful about this and respect their privacy. We must continue to do so.

ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CHAIN

If you want a particular petition prayed for, please call

ETHEL NEUENS 702.298.0440



2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

End of year 2023 contribution statements are now available. Please contact the church office to request one.

MASS BOOK 2024 OPENS

Mass intentions may be reserved for the year 2024 at the church office.

The stipend is given at the time the Mass is requested.