

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, April 7, 2024



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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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**

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - The community of believers was of one heart and mind (Acts 4:32-35).

Psalm - Give thanks to the Lord for his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading - Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God (1 John 5:1-6).

Gospel - This risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit (John 20:19-31).

SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)-what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

Second Collection Schedule

April 6-7	Building Fund
April 13-14	CSA
April 20-21	Building Fund

Knights of Columbus

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 6:00 PM

RCIA CONGRATULATIONS

The Easter Vigil Mass, as we know, is the celebration of the resurrections of Christ Our Lord. Inclusive in this Liturgical celebration, is the initiation of adults entering the Catholic Church. Throughout the world, the elect and candidates are fully initiated into the church, through the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.

We welcome and congratulate Brett Dennis, Todd Shaner, Skip Rasmussen, Dale Danske, Tim Grillo, and Jose Luis Torres, who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. As the newest members of the Body of Christ, we wish for them, the best in their new Catholic way of life. Thank you to their sponsors and to the parishioners of St. John the Baptist for your most appreciated prayerful support.

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"Our hearts were made for You, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in you."

-St. Augustine

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"To love God is something greater than to know Him."

-St. Thomas Aquinas

BASIC CATHOLIC PRAYERS**OUR FATHER**

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed by Thy Name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

A Prayer for Difficult Moments

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasure of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen

(Diary of St. Faustina, 950)

Shine

"We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anybody it does. Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention to their shining-they just shine."

-Dwight L. Moody

EASTER BLESSINGS & PRAYERS

Easter Daily Prayer

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let Resurrection joy
fill my heart, Lord of life.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

May the Spirit's grace
bless me this day, Lord of life.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Help me show your life and love
today and every day, Lord of life.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear Lord,

As we reflect

on this sacrifice

of Your son,

we rejoice

in the Resurrection

thanking you and

praising you for

the glorious gift

of eternal life.

Amen.

Table Prayer for the Season of Easter

Let us rejoice and be glad!

On this Feast of feasts
we are filled with Easter life and nour-
ished by the fruits of the earth.

On this Feast of feasts
may we know the presence of Christ
in the breaking of the bread with those
we love.

On this Feast of feasts
let our service to the hungry be a sign
of his glory as we share his presence
with them.

Let us rejoice and be glad!

All the earth cry out with joy!

On this Feast of feasts may this meal be
blessed as we will be at the feast of
heaven. Amen.

**"We are Easter people, and
Alleluia is our song!"**

-St. Augustine



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

The Divine Mercy Devotion is associated with Sister Faustina Kowalska. In 1934, in obedience to her spiritual director and a congregation superior, she began to keep a diary which she entitled "THE DIVINE MERCY IN MY SOUL." This detailed account of profound revelations and extraordinary spiritual experiences reveals the manner in which Our Lord entrusted to her a special mission to announce to the world. In 1935, Our Lord appeared to Sister Faustina and told her: "You will prepare the world for My coming."

The Divine Mercy Novena which began on Good Friday will conclude at 3:00 PM this afternoon as we celebrate the Divine Mercy Prayers. This is one of the gifts from the Catholic Church that gives us indulgences (Heavenly Rewards) for our own soul (forgiveness of all the sins of our lives) or for the souls and release into heaven of a deceased person that may be in the state of purification (Purgatory).

1. *Go to confession within 20 days before or after this special Sunday.*
2. *Receive the Eucharist on this special Sunday.*
3. *Come to today's prayer service at the 3PM offering up prayers for the Pope and for yourself or a friend or relative who has died.*

It's a beautiful prayer time sharing the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Prayer (The Chaplets). Please come and join others in prayer at the church.

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

(for recitation on ordinary rosary beads)

Our Father..., Hail Mary..., The Apostles' Creed

On the five Our Father beads:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the ten Hail Mary beads:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with:

**Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
(Three times)**

By saying the chaplet you are bringing humankind closer to Me. *(Diary 929)*

Weekly Mass Offering
Week Ending March 31, 2024

Offertory/Easter	\$14,237.00
2nd Coll—Good Friday*	\$1305.00
Building Fund	\$70.00
CSA*	\$20.00

*Special Collections that are sent To ADOLV



**ONLINE
GIVING**

Give Your Gift TODAY

<https://www.osvhub.com/laughlincatholic/giving/funds>

Online Giving Detail
Week Ending March 31, 2024

Offertory Donation	\$785.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
CSA*	\$30.00
Garces Center Fund	\$1400.00
Christmas	\$30.00
Easter	\$275.00
St John's Guild	\$10.00
Troop Outreach	\$10.00
Poor Box	\$15.00
Good Friday*	\$30.00
Catholic Charities SN.*	\$25.00



Weekend Mass Attendance
Week Ending March 31, 2024

Saturday		
8:00pm Vigil		154
Sunday		
8:00am		290
10:00am		360
12:00pm		284

Total Attendance 1,088

PURE LEAF ICE TEA BOTTLES

Father Charlie is trying to collect 500 EMPTY Pure Leaf Ice Tea plastic bottles with caps (16.9 oz size only). If you have any, please rinse them out and bring them to the church by the end of April. Thank you.

Monthly Expenses
February

Mortgage	\$16,000.00
Remaining Balance	\$1,250,000.00
ADOLV Monthly Assessment	\$4,479.00
2023 CSA Balance Due	\$15,773.50
Expenses/Utilities*	\$13,000.00

*Average +/-

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 you 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.



SEE YOU IN CHURCH!

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.

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 after 8AM Mass (8:30AM if no Mass) in the Garces Center.

For more information please contact Karen 702-298-0440.

PROMISE TO PROTECT & PLEDGE TO HEAL

Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.

Cindy Hensel(702) 235-7723


Believe in the possibility of help and healing.

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



**April 6, 2024
Through
April 14, 2024**

**Mass Intentions
For The Week**



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Saturday April 6	3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Novena †Munce Adams Maria, Steve & Dee Schneider
Sunday April 7	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon 3:00 p.m.	David & Biverly Rich Anniv All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist †Thomas Patrick Anderson Divine Mercy Service
Monday April 8	8:00 a.m.	Robert E. Brown
Tuesday April 9	8:00 a.m.	Ledesma Family
Friday April 12	8:00 a.m.	Joward Pereira
Saturday April 13	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	†Tom Patton †Syl Kukla
Sunday April 14	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon	†Lolita Capungan Mary & †Bill Kesgen All Parishioners of SJB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday	Acts 3:13-15,17-19; Ps 4; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

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 - 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 - Ski Piaczynski - 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 - Roy and Dora Dominguez - Judy Lippelt - Sallie Reddoch - Tyson Mercer - Vince Crowell - Mike Kramer - Myra Speir - Marilyn Tolone - Mary Lou Kramer - Heather Eggert - Lisa Kleszcz - Jim Lachermeier - Julie Stibal - Alissa Wagner - Alexis Lathrop - Tommy & Thomas S. Arguello - Chito Cruz - Pat Conner - Juan Robledo Noyola - Sara Tapfer

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.