

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, May 10, 2026



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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WEEKEND MASSES  
*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:** 20 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

**Baptisms:** *Registered and active parishioners* should contact the priest at least 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. *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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FUNERAL COORDINATOR	SHEILA PATTON	702.298.0440
SECRETARY/SAFE ENVIRONMENT	SHEILA PATTON	702.298.0440

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading - The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8,14-17).

Psalm - Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

Second Reading - Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18).

Gospel - I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21).

**THE REASON FOR OUR HOPE**

"What is the reason for your hope?" Imagine somebody coming up to you and asking you that question. Not "What are you hoping for?" or "What are you hoping to do?" No, this isn't about our desires for possessions or aspirations for life, it's "Why do you hope?" Peter today tells us that we ought to be ready to give an answer to this question. Truth be told, few of us spend much time thinking about why we hope. Luckily, the scriptures today give us our answers. We hope because Christ suffered for us, in order that, in the Spirit, God grants us another Advocate through Christ to remain with us always. No matter what we might hope for, whatever we might hope to do, we must always first know and proclaim the reason for our hope: the presence of God in Christ, with us through the power of the Spirit.

**Second Collection Schedule**

May 9-10 . . . . . Building Fund  
May 16-17 . . . . . Catholic Communications  
May 23-24 . . . . . Building Fund

**YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!**

***THERE WILL BE NO MASSES AT THE RIVERSIDE NEXT WEEKEND MAY 16th & 17th. ALL MASSES WILL BE AT THE CHURCH.***

**HAIL MARY'S FOR THE ARCHBISHOP**

Archbishop George Leo Thomas will celebrate 50 years as a priest on May 15, 2026. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 22, 1976.

Archbishop Thomas has a deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. So we are giving him a SPIRITUAL BOUQUET of HAIL MARY's from all the rural parishes and missions.

As the Rural Dean, I am asking all of the rural parishes and missions to collect pledges of HAIL MARY's for our Archbishop over the next few weeks. Please indicate the number of HAIL MARY's on the signup sheets at the church and at the Riverside. If you pray a ROSARY for the Archbishop, that would be 50 HAIL MARY's. I want to surprise the Archbishop with thousands of HAIL MARY's from the rural areas.

Thank you.

Father Charlie Urnick, Rural Dean

## VIVA JESUS

In honor of the 250th Anniversary of Father Francisco Garces becoming the first Catholic priest and the first European to enter what is now the State of Nevada in March, 1776, we are pleased to offer a new book titled VIVA JESUS.

This book was published in March 2026. It is the first-ever book for families and children about the life and legacy of Father Francisco Garces.

Written by our own Father Charlie, it features more than two dozen full-page original color illustrations by Alex Conway.

It also contains several original prayers as well as the Father Garces Song we sang on March 3, 2026. It even has the recipe for the Franciscan chocolate drink named "Champorrado" which we sampled on March 3rd with Bishop Gordon.

*The book also features a three act play for children about Father Garces written by our parishioner L.J. Dare.*

At a little over 100 pages in a large 8.5 by 11 inch format, in full color, VIVA JESUS is available on Amazon.com or right here at St. John the Baptist for \$15 (paperback) or \$20 (hardcover). It makes Father Garces' story come alive for readers of all ages.

Recently the leading authority on Father Garces, noted author and speaker Jeremy Beer, commented, "We received your book already and it is tremendous,...this is going to do more to extend awareness of Fr. Garces than anything else."

**See You in Church**

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### May 26th

#### JAVA WITH THE JUDGES

4:30pm - 6:00pm

American Legion Post 60

Topic: Civil & Criminal aspects of our Justice Courts.

*gino.briscoe@clarkcountynv.gov*

### June 4th

#### 36TH ANNUAL CHEF'S FOOD FEST

5:00 pm

Aquarius Casino Resort

\$100.00 per person

*Laughlin Chamber of Commerce*

### Sept. 11th - 12th

#### 2026 ARCHDIOCESAN CONFERENCE

"City on a Hill"

Orleans Hotel

*lvatholic.org*

## THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR 2026

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying this intention each month. From time to time, the Holy Father may add a second prayer intention related to current events or urgent needs, like disaster relief. The second prayer request will help mobilize prayer and action related to the urgent situation.

### MAY - THAT EVERYONE MIGHT HAVE FOOD

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

## 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 sing 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.

## **YOU'RE INVITED!**

**Very Informal Piano  
Spring Recital**

Join us for an evening of Food, Music, Fellowship and Fun.

Pot-luck style sit down dinner.

*The artistic stylings of LuAnn Kruz's piano students will be your musical backdrop.*

When: 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 21, 2026

What: Dinner and a show

Where: Garces Center

*Please come, enjoy the fun, and support our young musicians.*

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'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>

## \*KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COR

Men's COR Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 5:30-6:30 PM (AZ time). All men of the parish are invited to join us in fraternity, prayer and formation.

*For more information please contact:*

**Stuart Lutes**  
([Stuart\\_Lutes@yahoo.com](mailto:Stuart_Lutes@yahoo.com))

**Shawn Kilpatrick**  
([Shawn.Kilp@Outlook.com](mailto:Shawn.Kilp@Outlook.com))

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all practicing Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older. Meetings are the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:00 PM (AZ time).

*For more information please contact Grand Knight Gabe Nunez 760-217-0454  
Email: [Knights12690@gmail.com](mailto:Knights12690@gmail.com)*

## Notes from the Music Ministry

*\*Selected Hymns for this weekend  
\*(Subject to change)*

**#816 Immaculate Mary**

**#812 On This Day O Beautiful Mother**

**#823 Humbly We Adore You**

**#811 Hail, Holy Queen**



## Mass Settings

**Glory to God - Mass of St. Ann  
Holy, Holy, Holy - Mass of Creation  
Lamb of God—Agnus Dei**

## 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.

*For those who are lucky to still be blessed with your Mom this is beautiful. For those who aren't, this is even more beautiful.*

*Your Mother is always with you. She's the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street, she's the smell of certain foods you remember, flowers you pick, the fragrance of life itself, she's the cool hand on your brow when you're not feeling well, she's your breath in the air on a cold winter's day. She is the sound of rain that lulls you to sleep, the colors of a rainbow, she is Christmas morning.*

*Your Mother lives inside your laughter. And she's crystallized in every tear drop. She's the place you came from, your first home, and she's the map you follow with every step you take. She's your first love, your first friend, even your first enemy, but nothing on earth can separate you. Not time, not space... not even death.*

*This is an adaptation of a reflection from a gentleman named "John".  
(catholictradition.org)*

## 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, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*



# Growing Our Faith Through Generosity

## Last Weeks Mass Collection Week Ending May 03, 2026

1st: Offertory/Easter	\$ 7055.00
2nd: CSA*	\$ 956.00
Building/Operations Fund	\$ 262.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Easter	\$ 1.00
Poor Box	\$ 14.00
Gift Shop	\$ 601.00
CSA *	\$ 35.00
Blach & Indian Mission*	\$ 1.00
Rural parish Appeal*	\$ 2.00
Catholic Comm / Catholic Univ*	\$ 30.00

\*Special Collection by the Archdiocese

## Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending May 03, 2026

<b>Saturday</b>	
<u>4:00pm</u>	<u>150</u>
<u>6:00pm</u>	<u>100</u>
<b>Sunday</b>	
<u>8:00am</u>	<u>178</u>
<u>10:00am</u>	<u>167</u>
<u>12:00pm</u>	<u>124</u>

**Total Attendance 719 (- 80)**

## Last Months Expenses

<u>Garces Center Mortgage</u>	\$320,000.38	<u>Remaining Balance</u>	\$738,149.90
<u>ADOLV Monthly Assessment</u>	\$3,697.00	<u>Assessment YTD</u>	\$36,970.00 +/-
<u>Operating Expenses</u>	\$33,699.00	<u>Expenses YTD</u>	\$243,219.00 +/-
<u>Utilities / Maintenance</u>	\$5,727.00	<u>Utilities YTD</u>	\$49,358.00 +/-

## 2026 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

**Goal = \$49,268.00    Funds Received \$21,982.00    Goal Balance = \$27,286.00**

#Participating Families  
262

%Goal Received  
45.0%

The 6th Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as **Rogation Sunday**. It falls before Ascension Day (the following Thursday) and marks a time for prayer, fasting, and traditionally, the blessing of fields and crops, stemming from the Latin word *rogare* ("to ask").

**MOTHER'S DAY  
NOVENA OF MASSES**

It is a beautiful tradition to remember our mothers on Mother's Day each year. This year, as in the past, Fr. Charlie will offer a Novena of Masses. A Novena of Masses is a series of 9 Masses on 9 consecutive days from Sunday, May 10th - Monday, May 18th.

*On the days we do not normally have a Mass at the parish, Fr. Charlie will offer the Novena Mass privately.*

**HERE'S THE SCHEDULE:**

Sun.	May 10th - 8:00 AM Mass
Mon.	May 11th - 8:00 AM Mass
Tues.	May 12th - 8:00 AM Mass
Wed.	May 13th - Private Mass
Thurs.	May 14th - Private Mass
Fri.	May 15th - 8:00 AM Mass
Sat.	May 16th - Private Mass
Sun.	May 17th - 10:00 AM Mass
Mon.	May 18th - 8:00 AM Mass

**YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS**

**April 4, 2026 - January 10, 2027**

**St. Francis of Assisi RCC  
2300 Sunridge Heights Pkwy  
Henderson, NV 89052**

**PARISH FESTIVAL  
October 9-11, 2026**

The Year of St. Francis was proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi. From January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027, the universal Church is invited to reflect on Franciscan themes of peace, simplicity, and care for creation. Pilgrims who visit Franciscan sites or churches titled under the patronage of St. Francis of Assisi during this time may receive a plenary indulgence. Pope Leo described this year as a call to spiritual renewal and deeper discipleship, encouraging the faithful to embody the Gospel values lived by St. Francis with humility, joy, and reverence for all of God's creation.

All are invited to make a pilgrimage to St. Francis of Assisi parish this year.

*[sfahdnv.org](http://sfahdnv.org)*



<p><b>May 9, 2026 through May 17, 2026</b></p>	<p><b>Mass Intentions For The Week</b></p>  <p><small>© J. S. Palach Co., Inc.</small></p>
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Saturday May 9	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	†Melissa LaCaze Mary Kesgen Birthday Blessings
Sunday May 10	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Mother's Day Novena †Brian and †Stephen Johnson All Parishioners of St John the Baptist
Monday May 11	8:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Tuesday May 12	8:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Friday May 15	8:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Saturday May 16	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of SJB Michael Liam Doherty Birthday Blessings
Sunday May 17	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	†Fr. John Mulligan †Juan B. Chavez Family Mother's Day Novena

<u>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</u>		
Monday	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149; Jn 15:26-16:4a	
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138; Jn 16:5-11	
Wed.	Acts 17:15,22-18:1; Ps 148; Jn 16:12-15	
Thurs.	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20	
Friday	Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Ps 113; Jn 15:9-17	

**PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF**

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

Bernie Thompson - Jim Lachermeier - Lawrence Cruz - Michael Kreeger - Ann Castillo - William J. McNeill - Jimmy Jimenez - Kaylee Smith - Troy Fessler - Valerie Boyd - Whitney Reimand - Edna Mananggit - Eric Hoss - Deborah Crook - William Bryan - Heather Marasco - Mike Atwell - Bob Hannahs - Pat Miller - Jennifer Halstead - Suzanne Jane Patton - Cheryl Wenstrup - Laurie Waters - Vincent Kleszcz - Flor Paez - James Konieczka - Armour Patterson - Jon & Yvonne Sutton - Harriet Anderson - Lucille Finn - Nick & Hailie Hudson - Christopher Guzman - Jacob Rodriguez - Richard Beatty - Kathy Rogers - Diana Walburn - Brooklyn Mallett - Sue Wade - Joshua David Thye - Lawrence Chavez

Names remain on our list 1 month and then 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 added or removed. The list is really designed for those in immediate and serious need of the prayers of our parishioners and friends.

**JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE**

Do you have the desire to learn more about scripture? We meet in the Garces Center every Tuesday after 8AM Mass. Everyone is invited.

**ST. JOHN'S LADIES GUILD**

Our Ladies Guild is a great group of ladies that help with a variety of projects for our church and community.

*The Ladies Guild is currently on Summer Break. Meetings will resume in the Fall.*

**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.