

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, May 24, 2026



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

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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PENTECOST SUNDAY

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalms - Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading - In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13).

Gospel - Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

LITURGY: WORK OF THE SPIRIT

The Spirit of God who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation - the Holy Spirit who descended upon the disciples at Pentecost in every-changing forms in the sound of a mighty wind or tongues of flame - also hovers over our celebration of the liturgy giving it life, making it real. It is the Spirit of God who draws us, gathering us together Sunday after Sunday. It is the Spirit of God who called loudly to the inspired writers of the scriptures and who continues to whisper to us, revealing ever-new facets of God's word, granting insight just when we need it. It is by the Spirit's power that when Christ's words are uttered by the priest, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. And it is surely the Spirit who inspires us - that is, breathes in us when, sent forth from the assembly, we seek ways to serve our brothers and sisters, to allow the gospel to come to life in the world. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Second Collection Schedule

May 23-24	Building Fund
May 30-31	Building Fund
June 6-7	CSA

PENTECOST

This Sunday, May 24, the Catholic Church celebrates Pentecost. Fifty days after Easter God sent the Holy Spirit to inspire, enlighten and strengthen His Church. Some theologians see Pentecost as the birthday of the Church.

The Holy Spirit is given to each of us at our Baptism and in a special way when we receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. He continues to instruct, enlighten and strengthen us throughout our lives.

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 25, is Memorial Day in the United States of America. It is a day set aside each year on which to remember those brave men and women who have died while in the military service of our great American nation. It is a solemn reminder each year of those who gave everything, even life itself, defending the USA.

We invite you to offer your prayers this whole weekend for the men and women who died defending the red, white and blue.

May God continue to bless America in this our 250th Anniversary year!

Fr. Charlie's Ordination Anniversary

Monday, May 25, marks the 52nd Anniversary of Father Charlie's ordination as a priest. He was ordained on May 25, 1974, in Newark, NJ. He has served in the Archdiocese of Las Vegas since 2008.

"It is AWESOME living and working as a priest here in Paradise." -Father Charlie

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.

St. John the Baptist Church was proudly featured in a story published by the international news site **The Independent**.

Here are link to that published story:

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/catholic-church-casino-nevada-b2974446.html>

Link also on our website homepage:
www.LaughlinCatholic.com

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.

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)

Shawn Kilpatrick
(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

Notes from the Music Ministry

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

#631 Come, Holy Ghost

#517 Come, Holy Spirit, on Us Shine

#627 Come Holy Spirit, Wind and Fire



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.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Breathe into me, Holy Spirit,
that my thoughts may all be holy.*

*Move in me, Holy Spirit,
that my work, too may be holy.*

*Attract my heart, Holy Spirit,
that I may love only what is holy.*

*Strengthen me, Holy Spirit,
that I may defend all that is holy.*

*Protect me, Holy Spirit,
that I may always be holy.*

Amen.

-St. Augustine

MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears, that we all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.

Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

-usccb

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 17, 2026

1st: Offertory/Easter	\$ 4075.00
2nd: Cath Comm / Cath Univ*	\$ 384.00
Building/Operations Fund	\$ 58.00
Garces Center Mortgage	\$ 50.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Troop Outreach	\$ 100.00
Poor Box	\$ 5.00
Gift Shop	\$ 295.00
CSA*	\$ 63.00
Rural parish Appeal*	\$ 6.00
Peter's Pence*	\$ 20.00

*Special Collection by the Archdiocese

Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending May 17, 2026

Saturday	
<u>4:00pm</u>	<u>91</u>
<u>6:00pm</u>	<u>51</u>
Sunday	
<u>8:00am</u>	<u>157</u>
<u>10:00am</u>	<u>83</u>
<u>12:00pm</u>	<u>90</u>

Total Attendance 504 (-196)

Last Months Expenses

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

2026 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

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

#Participating Families
166

%Goal Received
45.0%

CURRENT PARISH PROJECTS

Garces Center Kitchen Air Conditioner replacement. Gathering Bids \$24,000.00 Cur Est

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

It is a beautiful tradition to remember our fathers on Father's Day each year on the third Sunday of June. This year, as in the past, Fr. Charlie will offer a Novena of Masses for our fathers, living & deceased. A Novena of Masses is a series of 9 Masses on 9 consecutive days, so we will begin the Novena of Masses on Father's Day, June 21st and end it on Monday, June 29th.

*Fr. Charlie will be out of town on a Priest's Retreat from Monday, June 22th through Friday, June 26th, and will offer the Novena Masses privately on those days and also on Saturday morning.

Here's the schedule:

- Sun. June 21 - 8:00 AM Mass
- Mon. June 22 - *Private Mass
- Tues. June 23 - *Private Mass
- Wed. June 24 - *Private Mass
- Thurs. June 25 - *Private Mass
- Fri. June 26 - *Private Mass
- Sat. June 27 - *Private Mass
- Sun. June 28 - 10:00 AM Mass
- Mon. June 29 - 8:00 AM Mass

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA FORM

If you would like to include your father, grandfather, Godfather, uncle or other significant male father-figure in the Novena of Masses, please return this form to the church office BEFORE Thursday, June 18th! These names will be placed on the altar during the 9 days of the Novena.

You may include a donation for this Novena of Masses, but it is not required.

FATHER'S NAME _____

Circle one: LIVING DECEASED

OTHER LIVING MALES to be remembered:

OTHER DECEASED MALES to be remembered:



<p>May 23 , 2026 through May 31 , 2026</p>	<p>Mass Intentions For The Week</p>  <p><small>© J.S. Palach Co., Inc.</small></p>
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Saturday May 23	4:00 p.m.	†Helen Salgado
	6:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Sunday May 24	8:00 a.m.	†Ted Larkin
	10:00 a.m.	Matthew Snyder
	12:00 p.m.	Seigworth Family
Monday May 25	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Charlie's Anniversary of Ordination
Tuesday May 26	8:00 a.m.	Steve & Maria Schneider Birthday Blessings
Friday May 29	8:00 a.m.	†Gerald Craugh, Jr.
Saturday May 30	4:00 p.m.	†Tony Sedano
	6:00 p.m.	†Jack Bechard
Sunday May 31	8:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of SJB
	10:00 a.m.	†Lou Russo
	12:00 p.m.	Matthew Snyder

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Gn 3:9-15,20; Ps 87; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday	1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98; Mk 10:28-31
Wed.	1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147; Mk 10:32-45
Thurs.	1 Pt 2:2-5,9-12; Ps 100; Mk 10:46-52
Friday	1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96; Mk 11:11-26
Saturday	Jude 17,20-25; Ps 63; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday	Ex 34:4b-6,8-9; Dn 3:52-56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

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 - 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 - Cheryl Wenstrup - Laurie Waters - Vincent Kleszcz - James Konieczka - Armour Patterson - Jon & Yvonne Sutton - Lucille Finn - Nick & Hailie Hudson - Christopher Guzman - Jacob Rodriguez - Richard Beatty - Kathy Rogers - Diana Walburn - Brooklyn Mallett - Sue Wade - Joshua David Thye - Lawrence Chavez - Mike Goolsby

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 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.