

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, July 12, 2026



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).

Psalms - The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).

Second Reading - We, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8: 18-23).

Gospel - Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23).

FRUIT OF THE WORD

The seed is the word of God. The agricultural metaphors in all of today's readings give richness in the message of the word of God, cultivated in our hearts, bears much fruit in our lives. Creation itself awaits the redemption of all, even as our bodies await the resurrection. Just as we will rejoice in the fulfillment of God's word, so will all of creation sing for joy in the Reign of God. The word of God is effective and holy; it brings about exactly what it says. It is not futile or empty, but rich in meaning for those who hear and are healed. Those who hear the word of God and keep it will, with all creation, bear much fruit and sing for joy.

Second Collection Schedule

July 11-12 CSA
July 18-19 Sem/Clergy Ed & Dev
July 25-26 CSA

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Two centuries ago, Archbishop John Carroll worried that Americans would not appreciate the linguistic veil over our worship, and asked that the liturgy in the new United States be in English, not Latin. How did our liturgy come to be in Latin in the first place? In the first century, the dominant language in the regions where the church first flourished was Greek. Today in much of the world, almost everyone speaks at least a bit of English. Recently, the European Union even considered making English its official language, a curious proposal since only two English-speaking countries are members.

Just as English is a unifying language today, it was hard to function in the ancient world without a smattering of Greek. Even the word "Eucharist" comes from the Greek for "thanksgiving." For a long time, Greek was the language of worship, even in Rome. Slowly, society in the west shifted to a bias for Latin against Greek. Latin first appeared in public prayer at the end of the second century, in the colonial outposts of North Africa. Soon, Latin became the language of culture, and so as fixed prayer forms were written, they were transmitted in Latin. From Rome and Africa, over the next four centuries, the new liturgical language of Latin spread north to Gaul and Britain.

Whatever is true,
whatever is honorable,
whatever is just,
whatever is pure,
whatever is lovely,
whatever is gracious,
if there is any excellence and
if there is anything worthy of praise,
think about these things.

-Philippians 4:8

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 "Chamorrado" 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."



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.

HEART OF STONE

From LuAnn Kruz

(Director of Music)

Heart of Stone is a MOVEMENT inspired by the Bible verse EZEKIEL 36:26-27, "I will give you a NEW heart and put a NEW spirit in you; I will remove from you your HEART OF STONE".

You can get your Heart of Stone rock from LuAnn or Sheila (Music Ministry). There will also be rocks available on the Gift Shop table.

If you would like to help the movement MOVE... We need: Artists to help paint, people to help package the rocks, donations and/or sponsors, and people to distribute the rocks.

Our Heart Rocks have been blessed by Father Charlie.

May GOD BLESS you and fill your hearts with PEACE, LOVE and JOY!

HEART ROCKS ARE ALWAYS FREE



2026 ARCHDIOCESAN CONFERENCE

September 11th & 12th

"City on a Hill"

Orleans Hotel

lvatholic.org

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

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)

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Bullhead City offers a Grief Support Group that meets every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m., in their Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome and there are no reservations required

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>

"DINNER SOCIALS"

Fr. Francis Garces Assembly 3643 is hosting "dinner socials" on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. They will be held at various locations throughout the Colorado River Valley. Our first is at "The Ranch Bar & Grill" at Laughlin Ranch on July 14, 2026. Cocktails at 5:30 PM, dinner immediately following. Everyone will order directly off the menu. All are invited to attend for an enjoyable evening.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet up with fellow parishioners & share in the fellowship, bring your friends, too!

There will be a guest speaker at each dinner.

You MUST RSVP to Shawn Kilpatrick at 928-299-0202 or Shawn.Kilp@outlook.com if you would like to attend. We hope to see you all there!

Notes from the Music Ministry

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

#709 Seek Ye First

#821 O Sacrament Most Holy

#688 Shall We Gather at the River

**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
ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA**

St. Kateri,
Star of Native People and
Bright Light for all!
We thank God for your heroic courage,
constant perseverance and
deep love of the Cross.
Pray for us
that our love for Christ
may deepen.
And may we imitate you in
following God's Will
even when
difficulties arise.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

**THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION
JULY****FOR RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE**

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

-USCCB Prayers

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 July 05, 2026

1st: Offertory	\$ 7008.00
2nd: Building Operations Fund	\$ 1122.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Poor Box	\$ 9.00
St John's Guild	\$ 25.00
Troop Outreach	\$ 3.00
Gift Shop	\$ 545.00
AOLV Retire Fund for Religious*	\$ 25.00
Clergy & Seminary Education*	\$ 25.00
CSA*	\$ 50.00

*Special Collection by the Archdiocese

Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending July 05, 2026

Saturday
4:00pm 119

6:00pm 88

Sunday
8:00am 126

10:00am 151

12:00pm 109

Total Attendance 668 (-75)

June Operating Expenses—End of FY 25-26

<u>Garces Center Mortgage</u>	<u>\$12,000.00</u>	<u>Remaining Balance</u>	<u>\$718,107.31</u>
<u>ADOLV Monthly Assessment</u>	<u>\$3,697.00</u>	<u>Assessment YTD</u>	<u>\$44,364.00 +/-</u>
<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>\$18,843.00</u>	<u>Expenses YTD</u>	<u>\$283,391.00 +/-</u>
<u>Utilities / Maintenance</u>	<u>\$11,189.00</u>	<u>Utilities YTD</u>	<u>\$68,266.00 +/-</u>

Profit & Loss for June 2026 \$ -7,279.00

Profit & Loss FY 2025-2026 \$ -78,706.47

Archdiocese Special Collections Remitted \$ 16,964.00

2026 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

Goal = **\$49,268.00** Funds Received **\$26,187.00** Goal Balance = **\$23,081.00**

#Participating Families
173

%Goal Received
53.0%

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON*First American Born Saint***Birth:** August 28, 1774 in New York City, Province of New York, British America**Death:** January 4, 1821**Canonized:** September 14, 1975 by Pope Paul VI**Feast Day:** January 4**Patron:** of in-law problems, against the death of children, widows, death of parents, and opposition of Church authorities

Elizabeth was an American educator, known as a founder of the country's parochial school system. Born in New York and reared as an Episcopalian, she married and had five children with her husband William Seton. She converted to Catholicism in 1805 and established the first Catholic girls' school in the nation in Emmitsburg, Maryland. There she also founded the first American congregation of religious sisters, the Sisters of Charity.

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL*Second American Born Saint***Birth:** November 26, 1858 in Philadelphia**Death:** March 3, 1955**Canonized:** October 1, 2000 by Pope John Paul II**Feast Day:** March 3**Patron:** of racial justice and philanthropists

Katharine was an American Catholic religious sister and educator in 1891. She founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, a religious congregation serving Black and Indigenous Americans. She was the second person born in the United States to be declared a saint and the first who was born a U.S. citizen.

SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA*First Native American Saint***Birth:** 1656 in Ossernenon, New Netherland (present-day Auriesville, New York, USA)**Death:** April 17, 1680**Canonized:** October 21, 2012 by Pope Benedict XVI**Feast Day:** July 14**Patron:** of the environment and ecology, people in exile and Native Americans

Kateri was a 17th-century Mohawk-Algonquin woman whose deep Christian faith led her to a life of prayer, chastity, and self-sacrifice.

Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherin of Siena.

July 11, 2026
through
July 19, 2026

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday 4:00 p.m. Carol Saunders Birthday
July 11 6:00 p.m. Kevin Patrick Doherty Birthday

Sunday 8:00 a.m. †Paulette Marlow
July 12 10:00 a.m. All Parishioners of
St. John the Baptist
12:00 p.m. †Cristeta & Bill Corkey

Monday 8:00 a.m. †Tom Patton
July 13

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. †Melton Bossie
July 14

Friday 8:00 a.m. Wayne Howlett
July 17

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Phil & MaryAnne Verville
July 18 55th Anniversary
6:00 p.m. Camila and †Laron Adams

Sunday 8:00 a.m. †James Santangelo
July 19 10:00 a.m. Seigworth Family
12:00 p.m. All Parishioners of SJB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Is 1:10-17; Ps 50; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday Is 7:1-9; Ps 48; Mt 11:20-24

Wed. Is 10:5-7,13b-16; Ps 94; Mt 11:25-27

Thurs. Is26:7-9,12,16-19;Ps102;Mt11:28-30

Friday Is 38:1-6,21-22,7-8; Ps 38:1-6,21-22, 7-8, Is 38:10-12,16; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday Wis 12:13,16-19; Ps 86; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

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 - Flor Paez - Mike Atwell - Bob Hannahs - Pat Miller - Jennifer Halstead - Cheryl Wenstrup - Laurie Waters - Vincent Kleszcz - James Konieczka - Armour Patterson - Jon & Yvonne Sutton - Nick & Hailie Hudson - Christopher Guzman - Jacob Rodriguez - Richard Beatty - Kathy Rogers - Brooklyn Mallett - Sue Wade - Joshua David Thye - Lawrence Chavez - Mike Goolsby - Roel Sermonia - Calvin Ramage - 314 ARS Beale AFB - Christopher Navarro - Rich Wells - Kathy Comparetto - Cayden Sefton - Omar Ledesma Belmonte - Irene Lopez Contreras - Skip Rasmussen - Thomas Brophy - Maria Noriega

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 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.