St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, August 31, 2025



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TWENTY-SECOND 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.

<u>Confessions: 15 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.</u>

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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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

<u>First Reading</u> - Conduct your affairs with humility (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

<u>Psalm</u> - God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

<u>Second Reading</u> - You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

<u>Gospel</u> - Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

HUMILITY

Humility is a virtue we don't see much in our times. It seems that bragging, swaggering, and arrogance dominate our fashion for everything and our Internet conversations. Who hasn't been irritated by the "trolls" who try (usually with bad grammar and poor spelling) to start an online fight with those whose opinions do stores, alian with theirs? Our catalogs, and online shopping sites are full of useless items geared in use and price to the very rich, as ordinary, useful things seem to fade off the sales scene. As the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class is fading away. What is the antidote to this? Humility is a good place to start. Devotion to God is worth more than riches. "The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; (God) leads forth prisoners to prosperity."

Second	Collection	Schedule
Aug. 30-31 Sept. 6-7 Sept. 13-1	4	

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council 12690 for your generous donation to the St. John's Ladies Guild. We really appreciate it!

> God Bless Ladies Guild



COLORADO RIVER FOOD BANK

The Colorado River Food Bank (CRFB) needs your help! Cuts in funding have caused a shortage in food supplies. CRFB is asking for financial support to purchase what is needed. This organization provides a fundamental service to our "river community". May God richly bless you for your continued generosity!

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?

Do you have questions regarding an annulment or divorce, were you married outside the Catholic Church? This keeps you from receiving the Sacraments. We have answers! Don't wait any longer. It's not as complicated as you might think. Take the first step and ask Fr. Charlie, or any priest! Jesus is calling you...

Let's git-r-dun!

LOOKING AHEAD

- Sept. 1 Labor Day-Office Closed Daily Mass 8:00 AM
- Sept. 2 Ladies Guild Meeting 1:00 PM Garces Center
- Sept. 5-6 Archdiocesan Conference Las Vegas, NV
- Sept. 10 Coffee with a Cop 11AM Laughlin Community Clinic
- Sept. 17 Blood Drive 10AM-3PM 101 Civic Way, Laughlin 1-866-236-3276

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION classes for our <u>registered parishioners</u>, both children and adults, will begin in OCTOBER. For more information please contact the parish office or speak with Fr. Charlie.

Registration forms are available at the church.



JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025

A Jubilee Year is a special time in the Church's tradition observed every 25 years, to encourage holiness through of acts reconciliation and communion with others The Holy Father has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, themed "Pilgrims of Hope," offering a time of spiritual renewal and grace amidst many alobal challenges. Marked by opportunities for reconciliation, local and the Jubilee pilgrimages, Indulgence, this sacred year invites forgiveness. the faithful to seek grow in repentance, and embrace hope.

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.

Meetings are the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:00 PM (AZ time).



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 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.



HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Compassus is a Hospice Care organization looking for Volunteers that are interested in Companionship/Sitting Vigil, Emotional Spiritual Support, Active Listening & & Caregiver Relief.

Compassus also has a Veteran to Veteran Volunteer program to pair with veteran hospice patients for Friendly visits, running errands. They reminiscing & also take part in pinning ceremonies & recognition events.

Determine your own time commitment. Make a difference in someone's life.

For more information please contact Lori Paulsen (928) 763-6433 or loripaulsen@compassus.com

Out with the OLD. In with the NEW! Gift Shop Inventory Sale

For the next several weeks, please check out our GIFT SHOP tables when you come to Mass at the Church or at the Riverside Besides the Colorado River Holy Water and Father Charlie's books, each week we will feature some Gift Shop items from the past and some brand new items being added to our inventory. Check this sale out!

Notes from the Music Ministry

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

#781 Sing a New Song #797 Whatsoever You Do #670They'll Know We Are Christians



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.

PROTECTION FOR CHILDREN

I need your help, Lord, to lead my children on the path to goodness. The dangers they face are many and sometimes their will is weak. Accompany my children every day, open their hearts to your Gospel, and help them overcome the trials and temptations presented to them in their lives.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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.



Growing Our Faith Through Generosity

Last Weeks	Mass Collection
Week Ending	August 24, 2025

1st: Offertory		\$ 5277.00	
2nd: Building/Operating Fund	\$	373.00	
Christmas	\$	30.00	
Troop Outreach	\$	3.00	
Gift Shop	\$	331.00	
CSA*	\$	130.00	
Rural Parish Appeal*	\$	38.00	
Assumption*	\$	75.00	
Peters Pence*	\$	5.00	
Seminary Clergy Education*	\$	10.00	
Catholic University *	\$	5.00	

*Special Collection by the Archdiocese

Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending August 24, 2025

Saturday

4:00pm 159 6:00pm 99

Sunday

8:00am 127 10:00am 114 12:00pm 95

Total Attendance 594 (-25)

Last Months Expenses

Garces Center Mortgage	\$12,000.00	Remaining Balance	\$1,197,926.40
ADOLV Monthly Assessment	\$3,697.00	Assessment YTD	\$3,697.00 +/-
Operating Expenses	\$20,000.00	Expenses YTD	\$20,000.00 +/-
Utilities / Maintenance	\$6,586.00	Utilities YTD	\$6,586.00 +/-

2025 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) #'s as of last week

Goal = \$47,129.00

Goal Pledged Funds Received %Goal Received Balance Due #Participating Families \$37,552.00 \$37,351.50 79% \$9,777.50 213

Only 4 months left in the Archdiocese annual CSA campaign. And with our latest numbers we are the closest to meeting the January goal than we have been for many years.

As you continue to help collect with us we may have our first year that we meet and possibly beat our annual goal !! Let's Go!!

IT MUST HAVE BEEN SOMETHING I ATE!

By Father Charlie

Some people paint pictures to relax. Other people cook or bake to relax. Still others watch TV or go to the movies to relax. And there are even those who go to the gym or go jogging to relax. I don't do any of those things. When I want to relax, I go to my home office and I write articles or even books. I have been this way for as long as I can remember...and that is a long, long time.

Since the beginning of Lent, I have been working on a new book. It is a collection of 30 dreams I have had over the years. Some are funny, some are educational, some are just weird! The title sums up where I think many of them have their origin. Those late night snacks will do it every time!

With the illustrations by Alex Gil, I have completed this collection of dreams. If you have ever wondered about what your priest dreams, here is your chance to find out. This is a fun book. There are no deep thoughts or powerful life lessons. Just some fun things to read and look at.

The actual publication date is September 8, but I was able to order some advance copies to arrive in time for the weekend of September 6-7 here at the parish. Each book is nearly 200 pages long, extra large print and bold drawings. Even the book size is really LARGE - 8.5 inches by 11 inches.

The price in the parish will be \$10.00 each.

And to sweeten the pot, I will donate \$2.00 from each book sold in the parish during September and October to our goal for the Annual Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) of the Archdiocese of Las Vegas.

As you can see from the financials page this week, your generosity is helping us reach, and maybe even surpass our guaranteed goal this year. This will be my way of helping.



August 30, 2025 through September 6, 2025



Saturday Aug. 30	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	John the Baptist
Sunday Aug. 31	8:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	•
Monday Sept. 1	8:00 a.m.	Nancy Burton
Tuesday Sept. 2	8:00 a.m.	tErlinda Eduardo
Friday Sept. 5	8:00 a.m.	tArmando Mendoza
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	tVal Petersen
Sept. 6	6:00 p.m.	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	tLeonido Yares
Sept. 7	10:00 a.m.	Priests of the Tri-State area
	12:00 p.m.	Rose & Wes Maroney

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday 1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11; Ps27; Lk 4:31-37

Wed. Col 1:1-8; Ps 52; Lk 4:38-44

Thurs. Col 1:9-14; Ps 98; Lk 5:1-11

Friday Col 1:15-20; Ps 100; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday Col 1:21-23; Ps 54; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90; Phil 9-10, 12-17;

Lk 14:25-33

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

Sandi Houston - Bernie Thompson - Jim Lachermeier - Lawrence Cruz - Walter Wiegand - Pamela Benda - Regina Ramage - Deborah Collins - Alli Kvasnicka - Jenon Johnson - Judy Moran - John Vertucci Jr - Pat Conner - Tom Stoks - Sarah Graham - Adde Lemke - Judy Pratt - Susan Pfingstler - Paul Stevens - Jim Lynch - Mike Biaz - Victoria Rodriguez - Sharon & Brian Dooley - Rachel Ballister - Holly Brennecke - James Watson - Joan Peterson - Larry Walden - Michael Kreeger - Ann Castillo - JoAnn Saunders - William J. McNeill - Jimmy Jimenez - Ted Larkin - Vivian Pope - Kaylee Smith - Henry Olinger - Troy Fessler - Bill Corkey - Linda Flores

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.

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. Their next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 2nd at 1:00 PM in the Garces Center.

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.

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.