

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, September 21, 2025



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TWENTY-FIFTH 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: 15 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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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalms - Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading - God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

Gospel - The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13).

GOD IS ON THE SIDE OF THE POOR

Two of today's readings make it quite clear that God is on the side of the poor. Amos describes in detail the exploitation of the poor and needy. The psalm repeats that God acts to benefit the poor and lowly. But Luke turns things upside down, telling a tale of a conflicted steward, about to be fired, who demonstrates his cleverness and is rewarded. Like the community to whom Paul writes in Timothy, these readings are personal, directed to believers, members of the Jewish and Christian communities, who struggle to deal with personal choices about how to conduct their lives. They offer an outline for how God wishes us to live in a world as complicated and as confusing as our own.

Second Collection Schedule

Sept. 20-21 Catholic School Tuition
Sept. 27-28 CSA
Oct. 4-5 Building Fund

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept. 22 1st day of Autumn
Oct. 5 Blessing of the Animals
2:00 PM St. John's Church
Oct. 7 Ladies' Guild Meeting
9:00 AM Garces Center
Oct. 8 National Night Out
5-7 PM Mountain View Park
Oct. 13 Columbus Day
Oct. 20 2026 Mass Book opens
Oct. 31 All Hallow's Eve

All Hallow's Eve (Halloween), All Saints Day & All Souls Day will be here soon, and the popular female grim reaper character known as Santa Muerte will be everywhere. Here's something you might not be aware of. Santa Muerte means "Saint of Death" and is a cult. This female grim reaper is not part of the Catholic communion of saints; it is a demon which is worshipped and invoked by the cartels for protection. The origin can be traced to Mexico around the 1960's, but some claim it comes from the Aztec and Mayan indigenous people, and others claim other origins for this destructive cult. It is a mockery against our Catholic faith and the Blessed Virgin Mary!

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!

GIFT SHOP NEWS

Over the past several months, we have been adding many new items to our Gift Shop Tables at the church and at the Riverside Masses.

Here are just a few items you may want to look at:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Metal Images - \$7.00 Each

Gemstone Rosaries (Jade, Onyx, Opalite) - \$12.00 Each

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Scapulars (Brown Scapulars) - \$4.00 Each

St. Christopher/Guardian Angel Visor Clips - \$5.00 Each

Cross Pendant Necklaces - \$5.00 Each

Traditional Miraculous Medal - \$8.00 Each

And so much more!

Looking ahead to Advent/Christmas...

Beautiful Advent Puzzles (Value = \$20 Each) - Special Price only \$5.00 Each or FIVE for \$20.00

Religious "Christmas Begins with Christ" Gift Bags - \$1.50 Each

Red Pickup Truck Christmas Banner - \$1.50 Each

See You in Church



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.



2026 MASS BOOK OPENS

The Mass Book for Year 2026 has finally arrived and will be opened on Monday, October 20th, 8:30 AM at the parish office. On that day, only in-person requests will be accepted for Masses. The \$10 stipend is given at the time the Mass is requested.

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).

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

Email: Knights12690@gmail.com

Website:

<https://soloist.ai/kofc12690>

MIRACLES NEVER ENDING

Do you believe in miracles? Have you witnessed a miracle? Are you in need of a miracle?

Please join us at St. John the Baptist here in Laughlin on Saturday, November 8, 2025 and experience God's abundant blessings, mercy, and grace poured out and see for yourself that promises made by the Lord are promises kept by the Lord.

World renown Catholic Charismatic Healing Evangelist Robert "Brother Bob" Canton will be with us to conduct this Charismatic Healing Rally. Rosary starts at 9:00 AM and the Healing Rally starts at 9:30 AM.

Everyone is welcome. You do not have to be Catholic or baptized. Jesus is calling!

*Ask and it shall be given,
Seek and you shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened...
(Matthew 7:7)*

(More information in the coming weeks or speak with Sheila in the parish office)

Notes from the Music Ministry

**Selected Hymns for this weekend*

**(Subject to change)*

#792 Praise to the Lord

#562 We Remember

#632 Jesus in the Morning



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 OF ST. EDMUND OF CANTERBURY

Lord, into your hands and into the hands of your holy angels, I entrust this day my life, my relations, my benefactors, my friends and enemies, and all people.

By the merits and prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints, keep me, Lord, this day from all vicious and unruly desires, from all sin and temptations of the devil, from sudden unprovided death and the pains of hell.

Enlighten my heart with the grace of your Holy Spirit; grant that I may ever be obedient to your commandments; never let me be separated from You, living and reigning with God the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever. 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, 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 September 07, 2025

1st: Offertory	\$ 6142.00
2nd: CSA*	\$ 744.00
Building/Operations Fund	\$ 145.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Troop Outreach	\$ 4.00
All Saints Day	\$ 20.00
All Souls Day	\$ 20.00
Gift Shop	\$ 452.00
World Mission*	\$ 20.00
ADOLV Elementary Schools*	\$ 5.00

*Special Collection by the Archdiocese

Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending September 07, 2025

Saturday

4:00pm 194

6:00pm 119

Sunday

8:00am 178

10:00am 136

12:00pm 93

Total Attendance 720 (+56)

Last Months Expenses

<u>Garces Center Mortgage</u>	<u>\$12,000.00</u>	<u>Remaining Balance</u>	<u>\$1,179,959.99</u>
<u>ADOLV Monthly Assessment</u>	<u>\$3,697.00</u>	<u>Assessment YTD</u>	<u>\$7,394.00 +/-</u>
<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>\$24,252.00</u>	<u>Expenses YTD</u>	<u>\$44,252.00 +/-</u>
<u>Utilities / Maintenance</u>	<u>\$7,600.00</u>	<u>Utilities YTD</u>	<u>\$14,186.00 +/-</u>

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

Goal = \$47,129.00

Goal Balance = \$7,066.50

Parishioner Pledges	%Goal Received	Funds Received	#Participating Families
\$42,076.00	85%	\$40,062.50	215

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 !!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Bring your critters and furry friends to St. John's Church for the annual Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please join us in the courtyard for a brief service and then Fr. Charlie and Deacon Richard will bless each animal.

To ensure fun and safety for all, please have your pet on a leash or in a carrier and under your supervision at all times.

This is a brief service and starts promptly at 2:00 PM.

Invite your neighbors.

Everyone is welcome!

SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

Carlo, smile of Heaven for this wounded and peaceless land, we praise God for your simple, joyful, and holy life.

You accepted with trust to be emptied of your youth to dedicate yourself in Heaven, with Jesus and Mary, to a mission of boundless love.

Carlo, full of dreams, attracted by nature, by sports, by the Internet, but even more enraptured by the miracle of Jesus really present in the Holy Eucharist, help us to believe He is there alive and true, the mystical "highway" that leads to Heaven, and teach us to contemplate Him with Mary, in the mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary.

Explain to us, Carlo, that, beyond fashions, only Jesus, uniting us to Himself, makes us "original and not photocopies", truly free.

Allow us to know how to meet Him in every creature, but above all in the poor, so that humanity may be more just and fraternal, rich in beauty and hope, to the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**September 20, 2025
through
September 28, 2025**

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday Sept. 20	4:00 p.m.	Ana & Francisco Roberto
	6:00 p.m.	Cheryl & Jack Bechard
Sunday Sept. 21	8:00 a.m.	Carol Helge
	10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
	12:00 p.m.	†Thomas Patrick Anderson
Monday Sept. 22	8:00 a.m.	†Tony & Sandy Sedano Anniversary
Tuesday Sept. 23	8:00 a.m.	†Stephen & †Brian Johnson
Friday Sept. 26	8:00 a.m.	†Rev. Theodore R. LaPerle
Saturday Sept. 27	4:00 p.m.	Klein/Ashfeld Family/Friends
	6:00 p.m.	In Honor of Pat & †Bob Armstrong
Sunday Sept. 28	8:00 a.m.	†Enrico dela Cruz
	10:00 a.m.	†Rosa G. Moreno
	12:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of SJB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Ezr 6:7-8,12b,14-20; Ps 122; Lk 8:19-21
Wed.	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2,3-4abefghn,7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thurs.	Hag 1:1-8; Ps 149; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Hag 2:1-9; Ps 43; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday	Zec 2:5-9,14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab,13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday	Am 6:1a,4-7; Ps 146; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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 - Edna Flores - Kim Wickenheisser

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. Meetings are the first Tuesday of the month, ***9:00AM** in the Garces Center.

***Please note the new time.**

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.