

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, October 25, 2026



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THIRTIETH 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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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - You shall not oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in Egypt (Exodus 22:20-26).

Psalms - I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

Second Reading - You became imitators of the Lord, so that you became a model for all believers (1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10).

Gospel - You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:34-40).

BALANCE

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

Second Collection Schedule

Oct. 24-25 Building Fund
Oct. 31-Nov. 1 All Saints Day

A NEVADA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ADVISORY

VOTE NO ON QUESTION 6!

In NEVADA'S November 2026 general election, there is an abortion ballot initiative that proposes to **RADICALLY EXPAND AND ENSHRINE ABORTION INTO OUR NEVADA CONSTITUTION.**

The Nevada Catholic Conference opposes this constitutional amendment and the ballot initiative seeking to permanently place the right to abortion in our state constitution. We urge you to vote NO on this dangerous initiative that threatens the dignity, safety and rights of women, children, and families for many reasons; among them:

IT DANGEROUSLY EXPANDS ABORTION RIGHTS.

Abortion, already legal in Nevada up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, **WOULD NOW BE PERMITTED TO THE 9th MONTH OF PREGNANCY, TO FULL TERM.**

IT RATIFIES REMOVAL OF PARENTAL NOTIFICATION and family involvement from abortion decisions made by minor children. Parental consent is required to give a student a Tylenol; yet this initiative **WOULD ALLOW A MINOR TO OBTAIN AN ABORTION WITHOUT A PARENT EVEN KNOWING.**

IT IS DANGEROUS FOR WOMEN AND YOUNG GIRLS. Question 6 **WOULD REPLACE THE 'LICENSED PHYSICIAN' requirement for abortion WITH HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER,** a term that includes nurses, dentists, opticians, and medical laboratory technicians (NRS439A.0195) AND severely threatens the state's ability to regulate abortion clinics for basic health, safety, and sanitary conditions.

For these and many other reasons,
the Nevada Catholic Conference urges all

Vote NO on Question 6!

NEVADA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
THE OFFICIAL PUBLIC POLICY VOICE OF
THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA
Learn more on this and other initiatives at:
www.NevadaCatholic.org

**JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
PRAY FOR US**

***“Let the little children come to me,
for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.”***
- Matthew 19:14

The youth of our parish is our future. As an All Saints Day treat for our children and young adults, Sunday November 1st, we will be showing an inspiring film called, “I am the Way,” about our new Millennial saint, Carlo Acutis, while enjoying the Guild’s delicious first Sunday treats in the Garces Center after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Each of us is called to live as saints, both young and old, using our gifts for the glory of God.

Let the life of Saint Carlo who used his love of the Eucharist and gift of computer genius prove that we too can be Saints!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

SACRED SILENCE

For Catholics, the Mass is a very solemn and sacred event in which they are renewed in faith by their encounter with the REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST. Catholic tradition and liturgical law affirm that quiet and reverence in church are not optional but essential to the worship of God. Silence and reverence are essential expressions of faith, respect for God's presence, fostering prayer, adoration, and a deeper encounter with Christ.

FOSTERING SILENCE IN CHURCH

*Arrive early at the church and dedicate a few minutes to silent prayer.

*Avoid unnecessary noise. Turn off electronic devices and refrain from trivial conversations inside the church.

*Practice silence with an attitude of adoration. See it not as a pause but as a dialogue with God.

*Silence after communion. Use that moment for deep and personal thanksgiving.

Ultimately, silence in Mass is not a whim of tradition nor nostalgia for the past. It is a spiritual necessity that helps us encounter God in the intimacy of our hearts.

The Church not only invites us to silence but demands it because it is in silence that God speaks and transforms our lives.

MASS BOOK 2027 OPENS

Monday, November 2nd at 8:30 AM in 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.

THE MORE YOU KNOW

All Hallow’s Eve (Halloween), All Saints Day & All Souls Day will be here soon, and the cult figure of a female grim reaper character known as Santa Muerte will be everywhere. *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 people, and others claim other origins for this destructive cult.

It is a MOCKERY against our Catholic faith and the Blessed Virgin Mary!

DO NOT CONFUSE THE DEMON SANTA MUERTE with the symbol of DIA DE LOS MUERTOS’ CALAVERA CATRINA (the famous satirical illustration of the female skeleton adorned with the plumed hat, by Mexican artist Jose Guadalupe Posada).



See You in Church

TEE TIME

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament will be held October 31st at El Rio Golf Club (1 Paseo El Rio, Mohave Valley, AZ).

Registration starts at 7:00 a.m., tee-off at 8:00 a.m. \$10,000 hole-in-one, raffles, prizes and a great lunch included.

Registration fee is \$135.00.

Mark your calendars and sign-up your foursome now!

Pre-register with Gabe Nunez 760-217-0454 or Shawn Kilpatrick 928-299-0202.

You can also pre-register for the tournament online at: <https://soloist.ai/kofc12690/golf-tournament-registration>

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)

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. All are invited to attend for an enjoyable evening. There will be a guest speaker at each dinner.

The next "Social" will be November 10th at Laughlin Ranch (private room). Cocktails at 4:30pm and dinner to follow. Fr. Charlie will be our guest speaker.

You MUST RSVP to Shawn Kilpatrick at 928-299-0202 or Shawn.Kilp@outlook.com by Nov. 8th if you would like to attend. We look forward to seeing you all there!

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.

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

A sincere THANK-YOU to everyone who has helped in this ministry. It takes all of us!

We are in need of Artists, Donations of Supplies, and Sponsors to help cover costs. We have distributed over 2,000 Heart Rocks already! GOD IS ON THE MOVE...

Notes from the Music Ministry

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

#705 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#595 The Greatest Gift

#651 They'll Know We Are Christians...

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.

CHOOSE LIFE

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life.

Help us to see in each child the marvelous work of our Creator.

Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift.

Guide the work of doctors, nurses and midwives.

Help those who make our laws to uphold the uniqueness and sacredness of every human life, from the first moment of conception to natural death.

Give us wisdom and generosity to build a society that cares for all.

Together with Mary, your Mother, in whose womb you took on our human nature, help us to choose life in every decision we make.

We ask this in the joyful hope of eternal life with you, and in the communion of the Blessed Trinity.

Amen.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION**OCTOBER****FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY**

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses. -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 October 18, 2026

Offerings To The Church

1st: Offertory	\$ 5315.00
Building & Operations Fund	\$ 55.00
Christmas	\$ 55.00
Easter	\$ 25.00
Garces Center Mortgage Fund	\$ 50.00
Poor Box	\$ 5.00
Troop Outreach	\$ 104.00

Gift Shop \$ 342.00

*Special Collections For The Archdiocese

2nd: World Mission Sunday*	\$ 20.00
All Saints Day*	\$ 5.00
CSA*	\$ 42.00

Last Weekend Mass Attendance Week Ending October 18, 2026

Saturday

4:00pm 189 +19

6:00pm 81 -19

Sunday

8:00am 122 -35

10:00am 130 -37

12:00pm 115 +42

Total Attendance 637 (-03)

September Operating Financials

Offerings & Deposits:	\$ 32,298.67	
Operating Expenses:	\$ 40,502.53	
Profit / Loss:	\$ -8,203.86	
Pending expenses in review by ADOLV:	\$ 30,035.81	*Sept Mtge & Prop Ins.
Potential Total Profit / Loss After Review:	\$ -38,239.67	

Garces Center Mortgage Fund

Monthly Mortgage:	\$ 12,000.00
Amount Collected This Month:	\$ 600.00
Amount Collected Last Month:	\$ 250.00

2026 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

Goal = \$49,268.00 Funds Received \$33,689.00 Goal Balance = \$15,579.00

#Participating Families
177

%Goal Received
68.4%

ALL SAINTS DAY

November 1, 2026, is on a SUNDAY this year so everyone will be able to observe this holyday just by attending Mass that weekend as Catholics always do. The obligation to attend Mass each Sunday is a serious rule for all Catholics unless it is impossible or incredibly hard to fulfill on a given Sunday.

The Saturday evening Masses each weekend give Catholics an additional opportunity to fulfill the Sunday obligation.

ALL SOULS DAY

Monday, November 2, 2026, is ALL SOULS DAY. On this day, Catholics and many other Christians remember their deceased relatives and friends.

Those who use parish envelopes have an ALL SOULS DAY envelope in their packet. Additional envelopes are available AT CHURCH AND AT THE Riverside Masses. If you need more space to list your deceased relatives and friends, you can just enclose a list in the envelope with your donation. The envelopes will remain on the altar at church on ALL SOULS DAY, and throughout November.

While not a holyday of obligation, the Church allows priests to offer three Masses on ALL SOULS DAY.

Our Masses will be at 8:00 AM, 8:30 AM and 9:00 AM. If you attend any one of these Masses, there will be a table on which you may place a small photo of the deceased person or persons you are remembering during that Mass. Bring it with you to the Mass and take it home with you afterwards.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, and may all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace. Amen.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas Party will be on Friday, December 11, 2026, in the Starview Room at the Riverside Resort. The theme this year is WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN.

Tickets will be \$30.00 each, and we strongly encourage people to get a group of ten together so you can have your own table for the evening.

St. Ann	St. Edward	St. Margaret Mary	St. Stephen
St. Anthony of Padua	St. Elizabeth	St. Mary	St. Teresa of Avila
St. Augustine	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	St. Michael the Archangel	St. Therese of
St. Barnabas	St. Francis Xavier	St. Monica	Lisieux
St. Basil	St. Francis of Assisi	St. Mother Teresa	St. Thomas Aquinas
St. Benedict	St. Gabriel	St. Nicholas	St. Timothy
St. Bernadette	St. Gregory	St. Norbert	
St. Bridget	St. Jerome	St. Padre Pio	
St. Carlo Acutis	St. Joan of Arc	St. Patrick	
St. Catherine of Siena	St. John Henry Newman	St. Paul	
St. Charles of Borromeo	St. John Paul II	St. Peter	
St. Christopher	St. Joseph	St. Pius X	
St. Clare	St. Junipero Serra	St. Raphael	
St. Clement	St. Louis	St. Richard	
St. Damien of Molokai	St. Lucy	St. Rose of Lima	

Tickets go on sale the weekend of November 7-8, 2026

**October 24, 2026
through
November 1, 2026**

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday 4:00 p.m. †Dan Lentz
Oct. 24 6:00 p.m. Diane & Bill Townsend

Sunday 8:00 a.m. †Frank Knight
Oct. 25 10:00 a.m. All Parishioners of St
John the Baptist
12:00 p.m. †Richard Dukie

Monday 8:00 a.m. †Kathleen Maddox
Oct. 26

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Andrew Moreno, Jr.
Oct. 27 Birthday

Friday 8:00 a.m. †Tony Sedano
Oct. 30

Saturday ALL HALLOW'S EVE
Nov. 1 4:00 p.m. Carol Grable
6:00 p.m. †Marguerite Kukla

Sunday ALL SAINTS DAY
8:00 a.m. †Andrew B. & †Rosa G.
Moreno and Family
10:00 a.m. Seigworth Family
12:00 p.m. All Parishioners of SJB

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128; Lk 13:18-21
Wed. Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19; Lk 6:12-16
Thurs. Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144; Lk 13:31-35
Friday Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42; Lk 14:1,7-11
Sunday Rev 7:2-4,9-14; Ps 24; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a

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 - Laurie Waters - Vincent Kleszcz - James Konieczka - Jon & Yvonne Sutton - Nick & Hailie Hudson - Christopher Guzman - Jacob Rodriguez - Richard Beatty - Kathy Rogers - Joshua David Thye - Lawrence Chavez - Mike Goolsby - Roel Sermonia - Armando David - Christopher Navarro - Omar Ledesma Belmonte - Irene Lopez Contreras - Thomas Brophy - Maria Noriega - Antonio Noriega - Armando Noriega - Shelly Sparks - Kathy Sadler - Lucille Finn - Aubrey Goss - Clay Johnson - Mary Herrera - Bill Franz - Debra & Kevin Crook - Barbara Ruiz - Augusto Uytuico - Samantha Gagnon

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.

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

Next meeting is scheduled for November 3rd.

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.