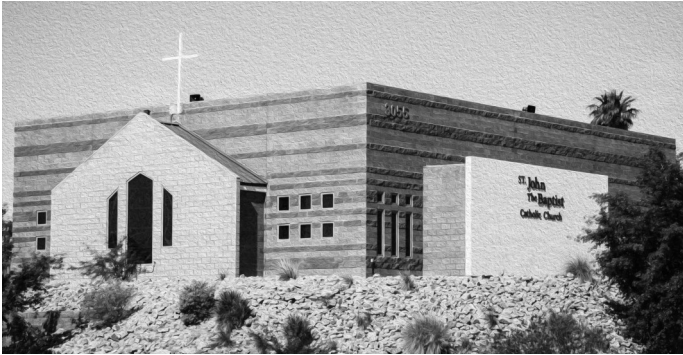


St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, November 12, 2023



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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Baptisms: Baptisms are normally celebrated on Saturdays at 11:00 a. m. **Registered and active parishioners** should contact the priest 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 at 11:00 a. m. **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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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT	GABE NUNEZ 760.217.0454
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC	LUANN KRUZ 928.754.2650
PRAYER CHAIN	ETHEL NEUENS 702-298-0440
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2023 Second Collection Schedule
 November 11-12. . . Building Fund
 November 18-19. . . CC Human Dev.
 November 25-26. . . Building Fund



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Father Francisco Garces Assembly 3643

**MONTHLY MEETING:
EVERY 3RD MONDAY**
 Council Meetings are held at
 The Garces Center at 6:00 pm.

**MONTHLY MEETING:
EVERY 3RD TUESDAY**
 Assembly Meetings are held at
 The Garces Center at 6:00 pm.

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Wisdom is easily discerned by those who love her (Wisdom 6:12-16)

Psalms - My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63)

Second Reading - Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, through Jesus, God will bring him those who have died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

Gospel - Stay awake! You know neither the day nor the hour (Matthew 25:1-13)

EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED

If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are-if we think about it to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Button pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it.

Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn't tell it to make us dour or somber. The heavyhearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen-is bound to happen-so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes.

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 www.facebook.com/Kofc12690. Meetings are at 6PM.

Thank You !

The Ladies Guild would like to thank the Parish for their generosity in donating clothing and blankets for the Guild's Thanksgiving Project. The donations were delivered to the Colorado River Food Bank and Catholic Charities. Both organizations were very grateful.

LOOKING AHEAD
(NV Time)

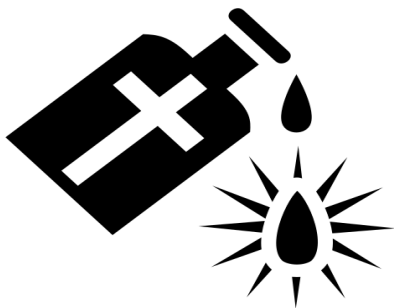
Nov. 13	9am Troop Outreach (Garces)
Nov. 14	9am Troop Outreach (Garces)
Nov. 23	8am Thanksgiving Mass (church)
Dec. 15	5pm SJB Christmas Party (Starview Room Riverside Resort)

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.



ST. JOHN'S LADIES GUILD

Meetings are held in the Garces Center on the first Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM. This great group of ladies help with a variety of projects for our church and community. For more information please contact Trish 702-298-0440.

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JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Would you like to grow more deeply in your faith? Do you have the desire to learn more about scripture? Would you like to meet other members of our parish family? Come and read the Scriptures and discuss how we can apply them to our daily lives. Everyone is invited! We meet every Tuesday at 8:00AM in the Garces Center. For more information please contact Marilyn Tolone 909-618-3498.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

St. John the Baptist Christmas Party will be on Friday, December 15, 2023 in the Starview Room at the Riverside Resort from 5pm to 9pm (Nevada time). Tickets are \$25.00 each or a table of 10 for \$250. Tickets will go on sale the first weekend in November. This year's theme will be CHRISTMAS SONGS so each table will be named with a Christmas song title. You would choose your table name from the list of song titles when you purchase the tickets.

CONFESSIONS are heard by Fr. Charlie 20 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

DEACON MICHAEL WILLIAMS

I was born in Ely, Nevada to Eric and Veronica Williams. I have three wonderful siblings who were all raised in the faith nourished by our parents and fostered by the pastors and parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. I was blessed to be ordained to the transitional diaconate in the same parish. Our family was very active in sports, church and the outdoors.

At the age of 8, I was encouraged to discern a call to the priesthood by our pastor. After Confirmation, I was blessed to go on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje. It was there that the Blessed Mother helped steer me down a path where I could really start discerning if God was calling me to the priesthood. Receiving affirmation through an encounter with a Benedictine Cross, I gladly applied to seminary where God has gifted me with tremendous spiritual growth.

In my free time, I really enjoy working on cars and spending time out on the lake fly fishing for trout.

**Current Seminary:
Mount Angel, Oregon**

**Anticipated Ordination to the
Priesthood:
June 2024**

**Favorite Spiritual Readings:
The Sermons of St. Augustine**

TROOP OUTREACH PROJECT

Our Troop Outreach will be stuffing Christmas Stockings in the Garces Center at 9:00 am on Monday & Tuesday, November 13th & 14th right after daily Mass.

Looking at stopping for the day around 2:00 pm, so any amount of time you can put in will be greatly appreciated. Coffee and '50-'60's music will once again be provided.

Fun & fellowship provided by our great volunteers!

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of this ministry.

John Reed-Coordinator

Word & Song Hymnals

The Word & Song 2024 Hymnals are expected to arrive any day. We have ordered a limited supply and will be sold for \$5.00 each.

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.
(702) 235-7723.

Believe in the possibility of help and healing. There is hope.

**November 11, 2023
Through
November 19, 2023**

**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 

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Saturday Nov. 11	4:00 PM 6:00 PM	†Robert Pepin Sharon & Dick Flatten
Sunday Nov. 12	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon	All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist †Major Jerry A. Patton Seigworth Family
Monday Nov. 13	8:00 a.m.	†Rodolfo Espinoza, Sr.
Tuesday Nov. 14	8:00 a.m.	†Joyce Brown
Friday Nov. 17	8:00 a.m.	†Jennifer Idos Granadozin
Saturday Nov. 18	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of SJB Michael & Meghan Doherty Anniversary Blessings
Sunday Nov. 19	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon	Julie & Shawn Kilpatrick †Pat Lowney Dr. J. Stanley Casebere

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday	Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday	Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday	Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119; Lk 17:20-25
Friday	Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

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

Janet Eliason - Patrick Kitto-JoAnn Ponzi-Marty and Angie Gray - Val Petersen- RuthAnn Petersen - Ed Wilmes -Shari Simms - Charles Sperando - Larry Walden -Bernie Thompson - June Daneck - Jeneane Casebere-High - Jan Finnegan - The Sedat Family - Frances Sneed - Tammy Fortner - Terry Sheehan - Jerri Misenheimer -Jerry Bowen - Cat Greer - Bill Marquardt - Natalie Hesper - Kathy Reifsteck - Agatha O'Shea - Rebecca Helm - Carlos Valdez - Kathleen Sperando - Merle & Marianne Mathews - Edna Burtraw - Anastacio Pulvera, Jr. - Frank Cabatungan - Carol Kubernach - Robert Lock - Richard Helge - Bonnie Blais - Ramiro Ozuna - Dee Schneider - Ski Piaczynski - Mike Schliskey - Leslie Seaton - Brittney Stone - Allison Trask - Samuel Pierce - Shaun Valdez - Cecil & Susanna Sharp - Joe Thorne - Barb Survillas - Allison Tucker - Christopher Siefken - Rebecca Holub - Colleen Ross - Gerry Hartman - Mike Duccini - Barb Saxe - Brian Klaum - Heather Applegate - Marian Barlow - Jane Vignoni - Joyce Young - Roy and Dora Dominguez - Bonnie Finn - Joel Cervantes

Names remain on our list 2 months and then are 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 removed.

For many years we have listed the names of relatives and friends for whom prayers have been requested. While we try to keep that list updated, some of the names have remained there for years and occasionally we learn that one or several have died years ago. The list is really designed for those in immediate and serious need of the prayers of our parishioners and visitors.

Also, in view of the current privacy laws in our nation, individuals may not wish to have their names published at all. We have tried to be careful about this and respect their privacy. We must continue to do so.

ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CHAIN

If you want a particular petition prayed for, please call
ETHEL NEUENS 702.298.0440



MASS BOOK 2024 OPENS

Mass intentions may be reserved for the year 2024 at the church office.

The stipend is given at the time the Mass is requested.

VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are commemorated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is distinct from Memorial Day in May. Veterans Day commemorated the service of *all* U.S. veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who have *died* while in military service. Another military holiday that also occurs in May, Armed Forces Day, honors those *currently serving* in the U.S. military. Additionally, Women Veterans Day (June 12th) is recognized by a growing number of U.S. states that specifically honor women who have served in the U.S. military.

**WE THANK YOU FOR
YOUR SERVICE!**

CHRISTMAS PARTY

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Please feel free to decorate your table to "harmonize" with your Christmas song!

Doors Open	5:00 PM
Dinner	6:00 PM
Showtime	7:00 PM

