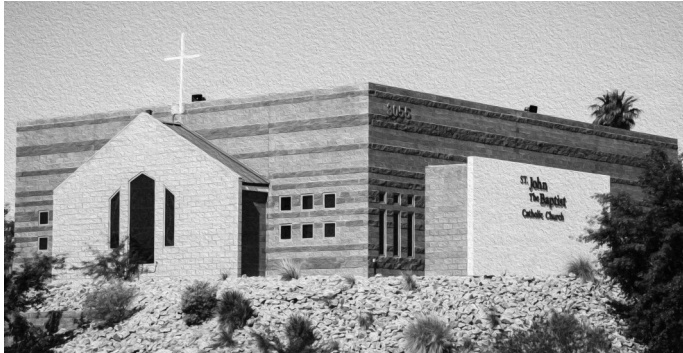


St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, October 22, 2023



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TWENTY-NINTH 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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2023 Second Collection Schedule
October 21-22 . . . World Mission
October 28-29 . . . Building Fund



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**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.

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - The Lord said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the Lord, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

Psalms - Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

Second Reading - Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1 -5b).

Gospel - Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

IN GOD ALONE

Isaiah speaks to us today of Cyrus, King of Persia, anointed by the Lord. God calls Cyrus by name and leads him in service to the Israelites. In this passage we hear that it is the Lord who gives Cyrus his title, who arms him against his enemies, and who opens doors and unbars gates before him. And God does all of this so that the people will know that "I am the Lord," and that "there is none besides me" (Isaiah 45:6).

Paul opens his letter with essentially the same notion-that in God alone we find our grace and peace. Paul also gives thanks to God on our behalf, calling to mind our work of faith, hope, and love. And in the familiar Gospel reading, Jesus tells the Pharisees to give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's.

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.

THE ARCHBISHOP IS COMING!!!

The Archbishop's Pallium Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated NEXT SUNDAY, October 29th during our 8:00 AM Mass at St. John's Church.

Archbishop George Leo Thomas will celebrate this HISTORIC occasion at our 8AM Mass with a reception immediately following in the Garces Center.

Everyone is welcome and strongly encouraged to attend as we show our support for the Archbishop and for Fr. Charlie (representing the Rural Deanery).

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.

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THANKSGIVING PROJECT

The Ladies Guild Thanksgiving Project in November is to contribute clothing and blankets to the Colorado River Food Bank and Catholic Charities Community Services Bullhead City. The Food Bank needs clothing and blankets. Catholic Charities needs men's clothing sizes 32-38 pants, shirts sizes Medium-XL, boxer (not white) underwear for men and sports bras for women, socks and shoelaces. Items should be new or lightly used and clean. The Guild will accept donations at the church until November 10th. Thank you for your generosity in helping the less fortunate.

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.

World Mission Sunday

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On October 21st and 22nd, we come together to observe World Mission Sunday, a momentous occasion for our community. It offers us the opportunity to express our unity with mission Churches worldwide.

Established in 1926 by Pope Pius XI, World Mission Sunday has since become a global tradition, marked by a collection held annually on the penultimate Sunday of October. This collective effort of the Church aims to support more than 1,100 dioceses facing challenges of poverty, youthfulness, or persecution.

This year's theme, "Hearts of fire, feet on the move," draws inspiration from the encounter between our Lord and His disciples on the Road to Emmaus, as recounted in the Gospel of Luke (24:13-35). Pope Francis eloquently articulated this theme by saying, "Those two disciples were initially bewildered but their encounter with Christ through the Word and the breaking of the bread ignited within them a fervent desire to journey anew to Jerusalem and proclaim the risen Lord."

As we unite in prayer and action on World Mission Sunday in the Archdiocese of Las Vegas, we join countless other parishes, seminaries, schools, and convents across the globe in celebration of our faith.

Together, we become advocates for the mission, offering both prayerful and financial support to extend the Lord's mercy and practical aid to vulnerable communities within the Pope's missions.

We humbly ask you to consider contributing to this second collection in support of world missions. Your prayers and financial generosity on this day will resonate throughout the world, reinforcing our shared faith, our common Lord, and our collective baptism.

May the Lord abundantly bless you and your families as you embrace your vocation as baptized Catholics, generously sharing the love of Jesus within His Church.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,

*+Archbishop George Leo Thomas, Ph.D.
Archbishop of Las Vegas*

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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.

**October 21, 2023
Through
October 29, 2023**



PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF

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

Janet Eliason - Jill Chen - Patrick Kitto-JoAnn Ponzi-Marty and Angie Gray - Val Petersen- RuthAnn Petersen - Ed Wilmes -Shari Simms - Charles Sperando - Larry Walden - Bernie Thompson - June Daneck - Fran Amendolare - 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 - Rob Stevens - Rebecca Helm - Carlos Valdez - Kathleen Sperando - Merle & Marianne Mathews - Edna Burtraw - Anastacio Pulvera, Jr. - Frank Cabatungan - Carol Kubernach - Robert Lock - Richard Helge - Bonnie Blais - Rob Ewing - 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 - Robert Barlow - Marian Barlow - Jane Vignoni - Joyce Young

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 beginning on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 8:30 AM at the church office. On that day, only in person requests will be accepted for Masses. The stipend is given at the time the Mass is requested.

Saturday October 21	4:00 PM 6:00 PM	†Juana Pereira †Francisco Cabrera
Sunday October 22	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon	Felisa Salazar †Peg Knippel All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Monday October 23	8:00 a.m.	Raymond & Arlene Plante Wedding Anniversary
Tuesday October 24	8:00 a.m.	†Ben Pangelinan
Friday October 27	8:00 a.m.	†Cristeta Corkey
Saturday October 28	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of SJB †Silvano Gutierrez & Familia Gutierrez Rodriguez
Sunday October 29	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12 Noon	†Paul Walsh †John Breseman †Tony Sedano

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Rm 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70,71-2,73-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday	Rm 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21; Ps 40; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday	Rm 6:12-18; Ps 124; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday	Rm 6:19-23; Ps 1; Lk 12:49-53
Friday	Rm 7:18-25a; Ps 119; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday	Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

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>

ALL SAINTS DAY

Wednesday, November 1st
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

(All Masses at the church.)

8:00 AM MASS

12:00 NOON MASS

6:00 PM MASS

ALL SOULS DAY

Thursday, November 2nd
 (All Masses at the church.)

8:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM MASS

9:00 AM MASS

All Masses on November 1st and 2nd will be at the church.

ALL SAINTS DAY - Wednesday, November 1st is a **HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION** on which all faithful Catholics are expected to attend Mass. This is as real an obligation as the obligation to attend Mass every Sunday throughout the year, except in cases of sickness or real necessity. All Masses for **ALL SAINTS DAY** and for **ALL SOULS DAY** will be at the church. No Masses at the Riverside on these two days.

ALL SOULS DAY - Thursday, November 2nd is a special day for remembering our deceased relatives and friends.

There is a very long tradition of praying for those who have died. This concept predates Christianity. All cultures have some form of remembrance of those who have died. In the Catholic Church, we observe November 2nd as All Souls Day, a day on which we remember and pray for our deceased relatives and friends. We really believe in the Communion of Saints-the unity that exists among those of us still living here on earth, those who have died and are being purified in purgatory, and those who have reached their final goal of eternal happiness in heaven.

There is a long tradition of visiting churches on All Souls Day, and of visiting cemeteries, which are where the bodies or cremated ashes of our loved ones are placed after their funerals. In some cultures, a special meal is prepared and eaten in remembrance of those who have died. It is a beautiful day to call to mind those memories of the people we have loved and cared about in the course of our lives. There can be great joy in talking about and remembering the details of the lives of those who have gone before us.

In 1915, Pope Benedict XV granted to all priests the privilege of celebrating three Masses on All Souls Day-one for a particular intention, one for all the Faithful Departed, and one for the intentions of the pope. The only other day on which this privilege is granted to priests (other than pastoral necessity) is Christmas Day. Here at St. John the Baptist in Laughlin, we will celebrate the three All Souls Day Masses consecutively beginning at 8:00 AM. The first Mass will be for the _____, the second Mass will be for all the Faithful Departed, and the third Mass will be for the Intentions of Pope Francis.

Please return your **ALL SOULS DAY** envelopes to the church **PRIOR** to November 2nd, so we can have them on the altar for all three Masses.

While it is **NOT** an obligation to attend Mass on All Souls Day, we hope that many people will honor their families and friends who have died by joining us for one of the Masses on All Souls Day.

Please feel free to bring a photo of your deceased loved ones to the All Souls Day Mass you are attending. We will have a table prepared for these honored photos in front of the image of St. Joseph, the Patron of a happy death. You may bring them home with you after Mass.

SEE YOU IN CHURCH