

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, January 29, 2012



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WEEKEND MASSES

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

6:00 p.m. — Saturday

8:00 a.m. — Sunday

*RIVERSIDE RESORT AND 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, Friday,
and First Saturday of the month.

REV. CHARLES B. URNICK, ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Joseph DiStefano * *Seasonal 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 1775 by Father Francisco Garces, a Franciscan missionary.

Confessions: 15 minutes before each Mass

Rosary: Recited 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

First Friday and First Saturday Mass and Devotions:
St. John's at 8:00 a. m.

Weddings: Weddings are normally celebrated on Saturdays at 1:00 p. 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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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you" (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

Psalms - If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading - Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

Gospel - The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching (Mark 1:21-28).

FALSE PROPHETS, TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice, the Holy One of God.

The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. We also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. And today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SJB Gift Shop

The Gift Shop is looking for volunteers to assist at the 10:00 AM and 12 Noon Mass held at the Riverside. Please contact Maureen Mullin at 702/298-1048.

The End Times

A Three Week Evening Series

Presented By: Deacon Dan

February 1st—February 8th

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

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Iraq/Afghanistan

Troop Outreach Program

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Father Charlie's Page 7!

Unique Gift Shop Items!

Anointing Mass

St. Blaise/Blessing of Throats

Prayers and Praying

Anointing Mass

Thursday, February 2nd at 1PM

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Blessing of Throats-St. Blaise

February 3rd at 8AM

February 4th & 5th—After Mass

Married Couples Jubilee Mass

Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 2:30 PM

Guardian Angel Cathedral

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Parish Mission

February 27—March 1, 2012

Fr. Michael Moore, St. Patrick Fathers

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Jan. 28, 2011
through
Feb. 5, 2012

**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 

**PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF
SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

Saturday January 28	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Val & Ruthann Petersen St. Jude and St. Roke
Sunday January 29	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon	†John "Jack" Nolan †Mollie Robinson Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Monday January 30	8:00 a.m.	†Lillian Bezgela
Tuesday January 31	8:00 a.m.	Alexis Underwood
Friday February 3	8:00 a.m.	<u>Multiple Intentions</u> In Thanksgiving †Ed & Bette Wilson
Saturday February 4	8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	†Andrew Dejno Parishioners of St. John the Baptist †Robert Petrusek
Sunday February 5	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon	†Dawn Lewis Imperi †Mollie Robinson †George Smith

Kyle Ahrens - Jeff Allen - Mona Allen - Joanne Allison - Ann and Margie - Raymond Avila - Ralph Avila - Diane Barnes - Merle Baynes - Kit Bergman - Charles Berkeheimer - Florentino Bocaling Jr. - George Brakel - Michelle Brow - Deidra Brown - Jackie Brown - Frank & Sandie Bruns - Rudy Buoni - Shawn Cardinal - Molly Cervantes - Alfonso Chavez - Carole Chinery - Diana Collins - Amanda Conneff - Marge Conrady - Agnes Conway - Luz David - Rudy David - Bob Deal - Bruce Dean - Margie Deisenroth - Georgette Dewitt - Don and Dolores Driscoll - Gail Dukie - Kenny & Doug East - Tom Elenes - Charles Eliason - Leah Ezell - Lawrence & Marie Fenton - Chuck & Karen Flagge - Claudia Fogarty - William & Patricia Fogarty - Joe Foose - Steve Fortier - Gerry Freese - Brian Garner - Ann Gilligan - Nichicol Gleisner - Arturo Gonzalez - Bertha Gonzalez - Elsie Grey - Khloe Gurden - Bob Halcomb - Bill Hall - Ken Hallman - Felicia Hamer - Catherine Haneline - Melissa Hayden - Raymond Hayden - Helen Hemens - Chuck Hernandez - Lucy Hocking - Mary Hodapp - Carol Houdeshell - Donna Huggins - Bryan Jackson - Brian Kelenske - Jim Kelly - Jerry Kerr - Pat Ketterer - Jack Kozenel - Jean Linezow - Patricia Loar - P. J. Long - Thomas Mahon - Brandon & Jasmine Marx - Timothy & Justin Marks - Cindy Maynard - Claude McKenzie - Estelle McNamara - Ben Medina - Janice Millan - Joanna Mosher - Betty Najaka - Willie Niles - Beverly Olthaus - Maty Paget - Dr. Marilyn Pagliuco Balton - Shari and Bernice Palpani—Tom Patton - Prenella Pentard - Eric Pfisterer - Charles Pigneri - Jack Pozenel - Zoe and Tom Pruitt - Roselie Pugrad - Mary Radford - Dorothy Rebsch - Eugene Rebsch - John Rodgers - Frances Rollin - Teresita San Agustin - Ruth Schnitzler - David Schroeder - Joseph Schwarzman - Lynda Seare - Gail Senk - Sister Carmela Trujillo - Frank Sladek - Dennis Smitch - Harriet Smith - Janice Squires - Cecil Standifer - Carlos Telles - Mark Terry - Sonya Timm - Jo Thompson Szymanski - Veronica Urczyk - Walter Ven Haagh - Shiela Walsh - Mike Wheeler - Arlene Wiesenberg - Dora Wolff - Larry Workman - Bill/Marge/Mavis Zoller.

Names remain on our list 3 months and then removed for 1 month. Call the parish office 702.298.0440, when the health of you or your loved one has improved, or if a name needs to be removed.

The stipend (donation) for one Mass is \$10. The Code of Canon Law has careful and specific canons which govern Mass Intentions. The rule is one Mass, one intention, one stipend. The stipend is given at the time the Mass is requested.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jan. 30	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday Jan. 31	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Mk 5:21-43 St. John Bosco
Wednesday: Feb. 1	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Feb. 2	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Friday: Feb. 3	Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29 St. Blaise; St. Ansgar;
Saturday: Feb. 4	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Feb. 5	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CHAIN

If you want a particular petition prayed for, please call Yvonne Fatherree at 702.298.0690.



MONTHLY MEETINGS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

7:00 p.m. March through October
6:00 p.m. November through February

Every Third Monday of the Month
in St. John's Church

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all practicing Catholic gentlemen 18 years or older. For information, please call Grand Knight Fred Wells at 702.298.5359.

ST. JOHN'S GUILD

1:00 p.m. St. John's Church
Every First Thursday of the Month
(September through May)

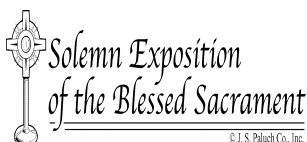
For information regarding the Guild, please call the church office. New members are always welcome.

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Every First Friday of the Month
After the 8:00 a.m. Mass

is the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour, and Benediction, followed by Hourly Adoration: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; 11:00 - 12:00 noon; 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Sign up for an hour in the vestibule of church. **How beautiful it would be to have several people keeping watch with The Lord.**



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Every First Saturday of the Month
After the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Devotional prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary from 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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Human Immunodeficiency Virus
Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
HIV — AIDS OUTREACH

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. St. John's Church
Second Tuesday of the Month
Director: Fr. Joseph O'Brien

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

To be a member in the Catholic Church a person has to be fully initiated by the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. RCIA is the process that prepares a person for receiving these sacraments.



If you are interested in RCIA, you can find a form in the vestibule of the Church or you may call the parish office and ask to have a form mailed to you.

Classes are held on Sundays, at 9:15 AM, following the 8 AM Mass.

THE END TIMES

A THREE WEEK EVENING SERIES

Wednesday Evenings—6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
February 1st - February 8th
Held at the St. John's Church.

If we quote our catechism "Catechesis on creation is of major importance. It concerns the very foundations of human and Christian life: for it makes explicit the response of the Christian faith to the basic question that people of all times have asked themselves... 'Where does everything that exists come from and where is it going?' The two questions, the first about the origin and the second about the end, are inseparable. They are decisive for the meaning and orientation of our life and actions."

Deacon Dan will be presenting this series as a continuation of the Revelation series presented in February of 2011. Topics will include:

- Review of 4 Week Revelation Series—2011
- Purgatory—The journey
- Heaven—the light of eternal glory
- Hell—you don't want to go there!
- Indulgences—understanding Grave Sins
- The Second coming—when will that be?
- The Rapture—is there value to suffering?
- Mary in the story of the Revelations

**ALL ARE INVITED.
BRING YOUR BIBLES.**

BASIC CATHOLIC PRAYERS**OUR FATHER**

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be 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 are 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.

Anointing Mass**Thursday, February 2nd at 1:00 PM**

The St. John's Guild invites all those parishioners and Catholic visitors who would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to come to our annual Mass on Thursday, February 2, 2012, at our church.

February 2nd is the annual celebration of Candlemas Day, the day on which we bless the candles which will be used in our church throughout the year. It commemorates the presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple 40 days after His birth.

We invite those who would like to receive the anointing with oil and the prayers for their health to come and join us for the special 1:00 PM Mass on this special day. This is one of our seven sacraments, given us by Our Lord, for our health, healing and strength when faced with illness, surgery, advancing age, or other health-related issues.

The St. John's Guild will provide some light refreshments following the Anointing Mass, and will also share some information on the work of the St. John's Guild in our parish.

For more information on the Anointing Mass, please give Father Charlie a call at (702) 298-0440.

Married Couples Jubilee Mass**Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 2:30 PM****Guardian Angel Cathedral**

The Diocese of Las Vegas will celebrate the Annual Jubilee Mass for all couples who have been married in the Roman Catholic Church, celebrating their Silver, Golden or other significant wedding anniversary. The Jubilee Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Joseph Pepe with renewal of wedding vows and a reception will be held in Anderson Hall following the Mass. All are invited to join in this celebration.

Parishioners wishing to attend should submit their name, address, telephone number, date of marriage and the anniversary that they are celebrating to their parish or directly to the diocese.

Sign up forms are available on the diocesan website at lasvegas-diocese.org. Please forward this information to the Office of the Bishop by February 1, 2012 in order for the couple to receive a certificate of congratulations from the Bishop.

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COLLECTION OF 1/22/2012

Stewardship (188).....	\$2786.00
Loose.....	\$4109.76
Church in Latin America/Europe	\$1860.80
Gift Shop	\$435.25
Votive Lights.....	\$59.36
Poor Box.....	\$182.25
US Troops.....	\$7.00
TOTAL.....	\$9,440.42

Attendance: 1690

TIME FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

February 27 - March 1, 2012

Monday through Thursday

8:00 am and 6:00 pm (repeat of morning)

Father Michael Moore, St. Patrick Fathers, will be conducting this Spiritual Renewal. The theme will be:

Trying to Cope with Letting Go in order to find Peace and Freedom in Our Own Lives

Mass and Four Reflections

Day 1: Invitation to Come, See for Yourself and Run the Risk

Day 2: The Liberating Effect & Joy of Letting Go

Day 3: Do Not Cling—The Easter Mystery in Our Lives

Day 4: Letting Go To Pray—in the Inner Room, in the Garden, in the Streets

2012 Second Collection Schedule

February 4 and 5.....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
February 11 and 12.....	Diocese of Las Vegas Rural Parish App.
February 18 and 19	Building Fund
February 22	Ash Wednesday
February 25 and 26.....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
March 3 and 4.....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
March 10 and 11.....	Building Fund
March 17 and 18	Catholic Relief Services
March 24 and 25.....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
March 31 and April 1	Building Fund

Thank You

RIVERSIDE RESORT AND CASINO, FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF DON'S CELEBRITY THEATRE AS THE SITE FOR OUR WEEKEND MASSES!

IRAQ/ AFGHANISTAN
OUTREACH



A special Thank You to Pat McAuley and Sharon Fortier for making the quilts that were raffled. The winners were: Mrs. Flemines won the Red/White/Blue quilt; Father Charlie won the Flying Geese quilt; and, Annie Russo won the Block quilt. Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser.

We stuffed 365 boxes with stockings that were shipped to soldiers in Afghanistan and Kuwait. We shipped to PVS Eevon Galoway, Geoffrey C. Pierce, Sonnie V. Simanski, Joshua J. Arzate, Sgt. Tom Bierdz, Nathan Harringian, Spencer G. Long, Col. Jo Grandelli, Ross A. Schnitzler, PFC Kody Blessing, SSgt. Brea Witt, Sgt. Soraya Silva, Sgt. Leslie Martz, 2nd Lt. Cynthia Sieben, Sgt. Maryann Miller, Sgt. Jessica Lugo, Sgt. Sarah Debarberie, Sgt. Leslie Martz, SSG Scott Simonthon, SPC Scott Kingsford, Jeremy Baxter, David Roberts and Sgt. Jamie Issacson.

It took two days to stuff, pack, label and ship all the boxes. The volunteers were:

Irineo Adamos - Andy & Harriet Anderson - Marie Anderson - Mary Jo Bankson - Lily Bittner - Mary Block - Sarah Carr - Janet Eliason - Joyce Farris - Yvonne Fatherree - Sharon Fortier - Donna Grubb - Michael Gruner - Jeanne King - Frank & Pat Konieczka - Jesse & Dottie Lewis - Lou & Kitty Loretz - Bob & Betty Manlove - Pat McAuley - Arnold & Aurora Mendoza - Maureen Mullin - Ethel Neuens - Tom & Judy Patrick - Val & Ruthann Peterson - Judy Poturica - Carol Radice - Sam & Amalia Quesada - Augie Scampone - Pam Schneider - Val & Buck Schneider - Myra Speir - Ron & Barbara Survillas - Ron & Barbara Survillas - Ann Terrel - Bud & Judi Trigalet - Al & Cathy Trudeau - Terry & Rose Trudeau - Mike & Maria Villalovos - Mike & Nettie Violano

The stockings came from children in different schools throughout the USA, clubs, individuals, developmental disabled, country clubs, and individuals who support our military men and women.

Well, we went way over budget with this shipment. We made two trips to Sam's for supplies and the cost of shipping for 365 boxes was \$4,726.75 We will start 2012 in the minus.

As a group we will need to put our heads together and come up with plans to raise extra money so that we will be able to ship in the first quarter of 2012.

2011 is coming to a close and we shipped hundreds of boxes this year to thousands of men and women serving our country. Donations of money and supplies came from hundreds of people and there is no way to thank everyone individually, so please accept this THANK YOU to all who have supported this program. God Bless each and every one of you. Have a Very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone in 2012.

Michelle Kirkland

"See You In Church"

UNIQUE GIFT SHOP ITEMS!

- "It's so nice...It must be Paradise" Pin - \$1.00
 St. John the Baptist Casino Chip - \$3.00
 St. John the Baptist Casino Chip Ornament - \$5.00
 St. John the Baptist Casino Chip Paperweight - \$5.00
 St. John the Baptist Casino Chip Keychain - \$5.00

DREAMS REALLY DO COME TRUE!

(Father Charlie's Book) - \$10.00

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ANOINTING MASS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd

1:00 PM (Nevada Time)

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Blessing of Throats

St. Blaise - February 3rd

There is a beautiful Catholic custom of blessing throats on the feast of St. Blaise (February 3rd). The blessing is unique in that it is done by the priest or other minister holding candles in the form of a cross near the person's throat while offering the blessing. Since February 3rd is the First Friday of the month, we will bless throats immediately after the 8:00 AM Mass and prior to the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and join us for this special blessing. For those who cannot come on February 3rd, we will offer this St. Blaise Blessing again after all the Masses on the weekend of February 4th and 5th.

See you in church!
 Father Charlie

Prayers and Praying

Sometimes it's interesting to read what other folks have said about prayers and praying. Here are some really cool thoughts I found online.

"Prayer does not change God, but it changes him who prays." (Soren Kierkegaard)

"Don't pray when it rains if you don't pray when the sun shines." (Satchel Paige)

"The value of consistent prayer is not that He will hear us, but that we will hear Him." (William McGill)

"Prayer may not change things for you, but it for sure changes you for things." (Samuel M. Shoemaker)

"Practical prayer is harder on the soles of your shoes than on the knees of you trousers." (Austin O'Malley)

"As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in schools." (Anonymous)

"Many people pray as if God were a big aspirin pill; they come only when they hurt." (B. graham Dienert)

"The trouble with our praying is, we just do it as a means of last resort." (Will Rogers)

"I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go." (Abraham Lincoln)

"Listening is the beginning of prayer." (Mother Teresa)

"Call on God, but row away from the rocks." (Indian Proverb)