

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday, January 8, 2012



**Physical Address:** 3055 El Mirage Way

**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 31230

Laughlin, Nevada 89028.1230

**Office Hours:** 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday

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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.

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## REV. CHARLES B. URNICK, ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Joseph DiStefano \* *Seasonal Pastoral Support* \* Deacon Dan McHugh

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**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.

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**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.

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**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**

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN .....DR. DICK EDWARDS 702.298.0642  
 CHUR. DECORATIONS COORD..... ROSALINA HERNANDEZ 928.758.7892  
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS COORD .....KAY MOORE 702.298.7929  
 GIFT SHOP COORDINATOR.....MAUREEN MULLIN 702.298.1048  
 GREETERS/USHERS COORDINATOR.....PAT MCAULEY 928.754.6449  
 GUILD PRESIDENT .....  
 HIV/AIDS OUTREACH ..... REV. JOSEPH O'BRIEN 702.564.4224  
 DIR. OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ..... HOPE CASTILLO 702.412.4471  
 HOSPITALITY ..... DOTTIE LEWIS 702.298.7517  
 TROOP OUTREACH COORD..... MICHELLE KIRKLAND 928.768.8234  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT ..... FRED WELLS 702.298.5359  
 LECTORS/COMMENTATORS COORD.....NANCY BAYSINGER 702.298.2246  
 MUSIC COORDINATOR..... LUANN KRUZ 928.754.2650  
 PRAYER CHAIN..... YVONNE FATHERREE 702.298.0690  
 RECTORY .....702.298.5488  
 SACRISTAN..... BOB TAGUE 702.298.0440  
 SUPPORT GROUP .....HOPE CASTILLO 702.298.5416  
 SECRETARY/SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORD WAUNITA MARO 702.298.0440

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** - You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow (Isaiah 60:1-6).

**Psalms** - Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** - The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Gospel** - The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother (Matthew 2:1-12).

**PROMISED FULFILLED**

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

**SJB Gift Shop**

St. John's Gift Shop at the Riverside will be on hiatus through January 8th and will re-open January 14th.

The Gift Shop at the CHURCH is having a **NEW YEAR'S SALE** of various items, such as, stuffed animals, books, Christmas merchandise, crosses, plaques, etc. The sale begins this weekend and items will be available before and after each weekend Mass and also during the week, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM through 3:00 PM at the church.

Take advantage of our prices—most items are 50% off. Sale price is as marked!

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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**

**Read Page 4 for Details!**

**Iraq/Afghanistan**

**Troop Outreach Program**

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**Father Charlie's Page 7!**

**A New Year's Thought**

**Gift Shop News**

**Social Media!**

**A Mixer Like No Other!**

**The Visit of the Magi**

Jan. 7, 2011  
through  
Jan. 15, 2012

**Mass Intentions  
For The Week** 

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

Saturday January 7	8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Ken and Sue Galluch †Dorothy Hassett All Parishioners of St. John the Baptist
Sunday January 8	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon	†Mary Ann Navarro †Mollie Robinson †George Smith
Monday January 9	8:00 a.m.	Bertha & Adolpho Gonzalez
Tuesday January 10	8:00 a.m.	†Mary M. Urnick
Friday January 13	8:00 a.m.	Bethrenee Suda & Family Birthday Greetings
Saturday January 14	4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	†Carl Kilburg Robert Petrussek
Sunday January 15	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Parishioners of St. John the Baptist †Mollie Robinson †Andrea Scanlon

Kyle Ahrens - Jeff Allen - Mona Allen - Joanne Allison - Ann and Margie - Raymond Avila - Ralph Avila - Mary Jo Bankson - Diane Barnes - Merle Baynes - Nancy Baysinger - Kit Bergman - Charles Berkheimer - Florentino Bocaling Jr. - Coran Bourdeau - George Brakel - Michelle Brow - Deidra Brown - Frank & Sandie Bruns - Rudy Buoni - Shawn Cardinal - Alfonso Chavez - Carole Chinery - Amanda Conneff - Marge Conrady - Agnes Conway - Luz David - Rudy David - Bob Deal - Bruce Dean - Margie Deisenroth - Georgette Dewitt - Don and Dolores Driscoll - Gail Dukie - Charles Eliason - Lawrence & Marie Fenton - Chuck & Karen Flagge - William & Patricia Fogarty - Joe Foose - Steve Fortier - Gerry Freese - Brian Garner - Ann Gilligan - Nichicol Gleisner - Arthuro 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 - Ken Jordan - Brian Kelenske - Jim Kelly - Jerry Kerr - Jack Kozenel - Jean Linezow - Patricia Loar - P. J. Long - Thomas Mahon - Jasmine Marx - Timothy & Justin Marks - Cindy Maynard - Claude McKenzie - Estelle McNamara - Ben Medina - Janice Millan - Joanna Mosher - Betty Najaka - Beverly Olthaus - Maty Paget - Dr. Marilyn Pagliuco Balton - Shari and Bernice Palpani - Tom Patton - Prenella Pentard - 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 - Rich Schwaller - Joseph Schwarzman - Lynda Seare - Gail Senk - Sister Carmela Trujillo - Frank Sladek - Dennis Smitch - Harriet Smith - Janice Squires - Cecil Standifer - Nicollette Survillas - Carlos Telles - Mark Terry - Sonya Timm - Jo Thompson Szymanski - Veronica Urczyk - Walter Ven Haagh - Shiela Walsh - Mike Wheeler - 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. 9	Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: Jan. 10	1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Jan. 11	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Jan. 12	1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Jan. 13	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12 St. Hilary
Saturday: Jan. 14	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Jan. 15	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**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)

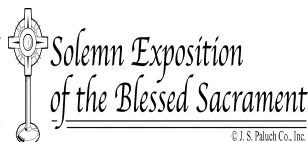
For information regarding the Guild, please call the President: Dolores Burnett 299.0299. New members are always welcome.

# 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.

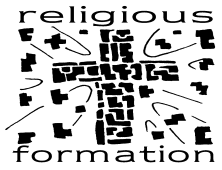
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Human Immunodeficiency Virus  
Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome  
**HIV — AIDS OUTREACH**

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.  
January 25th - 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.

**ST. JOHN'S GUILD**

WOW!!! How can we ever thank you enough for all you did to make our Christmas project for the seniors and needy in our community such a big success!

The parishioners of St. John's, our visitors and snowbirds are THE most generous people — we were overwhelmed by your caring spirit. Without all of you, we could never have assembled 43 baskets and filled bags of food with needed items and gift cards. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

A special thanks to Fred Wells and the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of cash and gift certificates and also to Aldape's Market Place for their donation of apples and oranges. We also thank Michelle Kirkland, who heads the Troop Outreach Program, for donating so many items to be inserted in the baskets. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with our project.

For all who contributed in any way, please know that you have brought joy and a brighter Christmas to many grateful people.

God bless you all for your kindness and generosity.

**LORD OF ALL**

Saint Paul was born and brought up as a Jew, deeply aware of the Jewish people as the Chosen Race. Thanks to his education by rabbis, Paul was steeped in the Hebrew scriptures, which emphasized God's particular love for Jews. Paul expected a Jewish Messiah for the Jews, and may well have believed such a one would be a great military or royal leader like King David. Jesus did not fit that profile. Paul was ardent in his conviction that all those who believed Jesus was the promised Savior were deluded and dangerous, and he was willing to hunt them down and kill them off. After his vision of Jesus on the road to Damascus, Paul's change of heart and mind was profound. All his preconceptions were wrong. He was wrong about Jesus and wrong about Jesus' followers. He was wrong about the Messiah being only for the Jews. Paul was a remarkable man who was prepared to admit that he was wrong! He knew that he had been given an insight into the mystery of God's grace, hidden until the world was ready. God's love and grace are universal and no human being is beyond that love; only those who choose not to receive it cannot benefit from God's grace. He was certain that those who were not Jews were also called to be part of the body of Christ. This was an astounding idea and, at first, brought conflict with apostles such as Peter. Yet these convictions took Paul and his companions out into the world around the Mediterranean on long and dangerous journeys. Jesus was born a Jew in Bethlehem yet, as Risen Lord, he is Lord of all nations and peoples. Paul knew this. It changed his mind. It changed his heart. It changed the world.

**COLLECTION OF 1/1/2012**

Stewardship (176).....	\$3501.00
Loose .....	\$4183.25
Building Fund .....	\$2020.53
Gift Shop .....	\$34.00
Votive Lights.....	\$51.35
Poor Box.....	\$92.00
US Troops .....	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$9,882.13</b>

**Attendance: 1401**

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
February 10-12, 2012  
Boulder City**

In today's gospel the magi came to present their gifts to Jesus and to honor him. Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God.

Early registration is recommended. For more information call Wayne and Marcia Kessler 702-566-8753. For information on Spanish language weekends, call Jose and Patti Santiago—702-544-3755.

**Living Stewardship Now**

What are you doing to bring Christ to others beyond your family and parish? Are you young or an active retiree? Consider becoming a volunteer missionary yourself! Contact Catholic Volunteer Network ([catholicvolunteernetwork.org](http://catholicvolunteernetwork.org)) for opportunities to serve here or overseas. Alternatively, support Catholic Home Missions, which helps to bring the gospel to the poorest and most remote areas of our country.

**2011— 2012 Second Collection Schedule**

January 7 and 8 .....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
January 14 and 15.....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
January 21 and 22 .....	Church in Latin America/Europe
January 28 and 29.....	Building Fund
February 4 and 5 .....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal
February 11 and 12	Diocese of Las Vegas Rural Parish App.
February 22.....	Ash Wednesday
February 25 and 26 .....	Catholic Stewardship Appeal

**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 Kingford, 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"**

**A NEW YEAR'S THOUGHT**

One of our parishioners shared a great New Year's thought with me this week. Glad to pass it on for all of us to enjoy:

**"May PEACE break into your home, and may thieves come to steal your debts. May the pockets of your jeans become a magnet for \$50 bills. May LOVE stick to your face like Vaseline, and may laughter assault your lips! May HAPPINESS slap you across your face and may your tears be tears of JOY. May the problems you had forget your home address! In simple words...May 2012 be the best year of your life!!!"**

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**GIFT SHOP NEWS**

Our gift table at the Riverside will reopen on January 14th, but these items are available anytime from our church office. Our casino chips and Father Charlie's book make really unique gifts for friends and family! And we also now have the pin designed by Father Charlie and local artist and parishioner, Andy Kohut for only \$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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**SOCIAL MEDIA!**

Finally, we have our new website up and running! Hopefully, we will keep adding features to it as we build it up even better. To check it out, just go to:

**[www.stjohnthebaptistlaughlin.com](http://www.stjohnthebaptistlaughlin.com)**

And we are also on Facebook! To check that out, just go to Facebook and look up:

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
Laughlin, Nevada**

**A MIXER LIKE NO OTHER!**

**Thursday, January 19**

**Riverside Resort**

**Starview Room**

**5:30 PM (NV Time)**

**MIKE RAYBURN**

**TICKETS: \$10.00**

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The Laughlin Chamber of Commerce is hosting **MIKE RAYBURN** in concert on Thursday, January 19th, for their first mixer of the new year. **All profits from this event will go to the Colorado River Food Bank!** The Riverside is providing refreshments, and the Chamber is allowing St. John the Baptist Church to sell tickets at the Members price of \$10.00 each. For those of you who came to Mike's concert at our church in September, you know how much fun this event will be! Come and join us for this event and let's start the new year off with a lot of fun, and a great boost for our Colorado River Food Bank! Mike is donating his time for this event, which coincidentally is also the birthday of Edgar Allan Poe, Jean Stapleton, Dolly Parton, Robert E. Lee, Tippi Hedron, and Father Charlie! Hey, any excuse for a party!

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**THE VISIT OF THE MAGI**

Today we celebrate the Epiphany, the visit of the three kings. Tradition names them as Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. In some countries, today is a day on which homes are blessed, asking God's grace for all those who dwell in them. May God bless our homes.