

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



"BUILDING FOR GOD'S GLORY"

Ministries and Organizations

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Monday- Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays

Parish Pastoral Council.....Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 5:30pm
Finance Council.....4th Wednesday at 5:30pm
Choir.....Practice each Thursday at 6:59pm
Women's Auxiliary.....2nd Sunday following 11:00am Mass
Knights of Columbus.....3rd Saturday at 11:30am
Knights of Peter Claver.....4th Saturday at 9:30am
Knights of Peter Claver-4th Degree.....4th Saturday at 12pm
Gracious Ladies-4th Degree.....1st Saturday at 11am
Ladies' Auxiliary of Peter Claver.....3rd Sunday at 12:45pm
Spiritual Enrichment Committee..1st Saturday every other month 10am
Sandwich Making Ministry.....1st & 3rd Sunday following 8am Mass
Free Lunch for Neighbors.....Wednesdays at 10:30am
(sponsored by the KPC and Ladies Aux)

Nevadans for the Common Good (*Interfaith*).....4th Thursday at 5:30pm

Special EventsRevival in February
Gospel/Jazz Brunch 3rd Sunday in October

Not Listed: Bible Study Group, Outreach, Liturgy Committee, Junior Knights and Daughters of Peter Claver. Please see bulletin for dates and time.

September 2, 2018

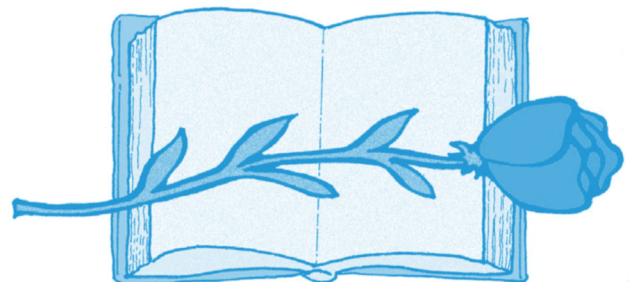
MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday 8 a.m. (Community Choir)

& 11a.m. (Gospel Choir)

Reconciliation (Confessions): By Appointment

Please call the office



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Wedding Information – Please contact the office 6 months in advance and before any dates are considered.

Baptismal Information – Please contact the office 3 months in advance and before any dates are considered.

~~ Sunday, September 2, 2018 ~~
~ Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Times ~

THE HIGHEST LAW

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of "filler," various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others' attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all.

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Volunteers needed to lead *Children's Liturgy of the Word* at the 11:00 am Mass. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 702-648-6606.

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH **MISSION STATEMENT**

Rooted in the Catholic Faith, in order to build up the reign of God, the mission of St. James the Apostle Catholic Church is to live out the message of Jesus Christ by worshipping God by serving the world.

Pray for ...

Yakkia Comminey
A. Feliece Griffin
Shirley Morris
Leslie Robete
Hermenia Shoals
Fred Padilla

Natalie Johnson
Anthony Canapa
Deborah Clavel
Iggy Gomez

If you would like to add a family member to our prayer list, you may do so by contacting the parish.

Weekly Offering

St. James needs to collect **\$ 7,500.00** each week in order to meet our operating expenses.
Please help us meet this goal

August 26, 2018

Ordinary Offering	\$ 4,557.30
Outreach/Poor	\$ 111.00
Land Debt:	\$ 75.76
Flowers:	\$ 62.50
Religious/Gift Shop	\$ 168.00

May God Bless your generosity

Please don't forget to include your envelope number on your offering contributions. Thank you

Reminder: If you would like to use **your debit/credit card** for your weekly offering, please stop by the church office. You can also set up automatic deposits from your bank to the church.

Please consider including your St. James family when planning your will.



Why Register in the Church

Many people attend Mass here at our church, but are not registered parishioners. It is important to be registered and use your offering envelopes so that if you ever request a letter, whether it's for being a godparent, sponsor, marriage, confirmation, tax statement or any other purpose, we can check our records and see that you attend Mass here. This would also benefit you if you would like to have your child enrolled in next year's Religious Education Program. If you are not registered in the church, we cannot issue or sign any type of letter stating that you are a member of the parish, even if you attend Mass here. If you would like to register and **receive offering envelopes**, you must complete our registration form. You may also use the parishioner's updated form (green) located on the church lobby shelf for any **changes** to your address, email or phone number. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Schedule of Events

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- Sunday:** September 2, 2018
Land Debt Collection
 Mass ~ 8:00 am
 Mass ~ 11:00 am
- Monday:** September 3, 2018
LABOR DAY (office closed)
- Friday:** September 7, 2018
 Diocesan Conference at the South Point Hotel
- Saturday:** September 8, 2018
 Diocesan Conference at the South Point Hotel

CCD Registration following each Mass today



Parish Pastoral Council's
 Annual Appreciation Picnic
 Craig Ranch Park
ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED!!

Date: Saturday, September 15, 2018
Time: 12:00 pm until 4:00 pm
Location: Craig Ranch Regional Park
 628 W. Craig Road, Las Vegas, NV 89031

It's that time to celebrate and have fun with our parishioners.
 Hot dogs and hamburgers provided. Sign up on the bulletin
 board to bring a dish.

Christ the King Catholic Community
 4925 S. Torrey Pies Drive, LV 89118
 Flea Market/Craft Sale
 September 15, 2018 from 7 am to 2 pm

ST JAMES THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH GOSPEL JAZZ BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 21, 2018
 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Texas Station (Lake Mead & Rancho)
Tickets (\$75 per person)
Reserved tables of 10 available

Please support our major fundraiser by
 purchasing tickets and placing an ad in
 our **Souvenir Journal**

**Donated items are being requested
 for our Silent Auction.**

Please contact parish office at 702-648-6606 for
 further information.

Mass Intentions for the week

September 2, 2018

8:00 am: Pearl Aikens† and Patrick Boland (Health and Healing)
11:00 am: Pearl Aikens† and People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5;
 Psalm 119:97-102;
 Luke 4:16-30,
 or, for Labor Day, any readings from the
 Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor,"
 nos. 907-911
- Tuesday:** 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16;
 Psalm 145:8-14;
 Luke 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** 1 Corinthians 3:1-9;
 Psalm 33:12-15, 20-21;
 Luke 4:38-44
- Thursday:** 1 Corinthians 3:18-23;
 Psalm 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;
 Luke 5:1-11
- Friday:** 1 Corinthians 4:1-5;
 Psalm 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;
 Luke 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Micah 5:1-4a or
 Romans 8:28-30;
 Psalm 13:6;
 Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Sunday:** Isaiah 35:4-7a;
 Psalm 146:7-10;
 James 2:1-5;
 Mark 7:31-37



Respectfulness in the Sanctuary and the Vestibule
 Please refrain from talking during Mass. Also the vestibule is
 an extension of the Sanctuary when Mass is going on. There
 are parishioners and little ones in the vestibule who want to
 participate in the Mass but need to sit in the vestibule. If there
 is a need to discuss other matters, please do so outside.
Thank you.

St. James Land Status

Initial Loan: \$375,783.88

Monthly Payment of \$3,788.75 (began Dec. 2012)

Est. Balance as of July 31, 2018: \$187,332.80



Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

St. James the Apostle's 2018 assessment is \$37,342.00. We
 received pledges in the amount of **\$29,720.00** from 67 parish-
 ioners and have payments of **\$19,282.50**. We are encourag-
 ing our 300 registered households to participate in making
 this a successful **"Love your neighbor as yourself"** appeal.

"No gift is too small and no gift is too large!"

Thank you for your prayers and continuous support in meet-
 ing these pledges and our obligation to the Diocese.

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

The Faith Formation Office hours:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays ~ 9:00 am -3:00 pm
Thursdays ~ 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Today is the last day for registration for the 2018-2019 catechetical year. Classes for preschool thru 8th grades and First Communion Prep will start on Sunday, September 16th at 9:15am beginning with a parent meeting. Classes for Confirmation Prep will begin on Sunday, September 23rd at 1:00pm beginning with a parent meeting.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

If you are 18 years of age or older, or know someone who is, and would like to become Catholic, the Church has a special program to help you through this process. Also, if you were baptized into the Catholic faith but have not received your Sacraments of Confirmation or First Eucharist, this program is for you as well.

Please contact Ms. Eagan in the Faith Formation office for more details.

**Adult Formation****Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony**

If you would like to have your child baptized or would like to be married in the Church, you must complete the preparation process. Contact Ms. Eagan in the Faith Formation office for details.

"HOPE GROWS HERE" -

Las Vegas Catholic Diocesan Conference - 2018

On September 7th and 8th, 2018, the Diocese of Las Vegas will once again have a conference. This year's conference will be held at the South Point Hotel & Casino. This exciting and spiritual event is an opportunity to connect with our brothers and sisters from all across the Diocese. There will be inspirational speakers, presenters sharing with us information to help deepen our understanding and practice of the faith, exhibitors showing us the latest books, videos, and other materials concerning our Catholic religion, as well as, worship and prayer services with lively music.

If you would like to attend this conference, there are registration booklets on the counter out in the gathering space.

The registration fee for the conference is \$85.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**Month of September**

Sept 01: John Narvaiz, Nicole Okeke
Sept 02: LeiLani Bass
Sept 03: Darcy Bechtel
Sept 04: Sandra Bethyne, Marcelo Militante
Sept 06: Uche Nwokike, Ana Marquez
Sept 07: Jessie Garcia
Sept 08: Linda Davis-Sanders
DeAndre Wiggins-Williams Jr.
Sept 09: Rose Daniel, Catherine Tasker, Martine O'Neil,
Estefania Valladares, Christian Mauyao
Sept 10: Jennifer Watson, Djoko Susilo,
Anniv: Ernest & Yvonne Huey
Sept 11: Beatrice Smith, Carol Duplessis
Sept 12: Cynthia Cruz, Trussier Tasker
Sept 13: Pearl Yarbrough
Sept 15: Cheryl Spurlin
Sept 16: Henry Fairfax
Sept 18: Noah White, Cindy Wallace
Sept 22: Ramona Morgan
Sept 23: **Anniv:** Pat & Jim Fautt
Sept 24: Kemara Smith, Vinita Lavizzo,
Anniv: J.D & Eva Streeter
Sept 25: E. Lavonne Lewis
Sept 26: Ashley Willis, Marie Garcia,
Anniv: Sidney III & Patricia McComb
Sept 27: **Anniv:** John & Myrna Narvaiz
Sept 28: **Anniv:** Kirby & Birdie Ray
Sept 29: Mattie Blackshear, Christina Castro, Thomas Groce,
Sept 30: Robert Lynch, Kirby Ray,
Anniv: William & Cheryl Lewis

If your birthday or anniversary date is missing and you are a registered parishioner, please contact the church office.

Victim Advocacy Number

If you believe you are a victim of sexual and/or physically abused, please call our 24-hotline at 702-235-7723.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Nevada State Court is offering a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 to a Catholic girl who will be entering Bishop Gorman High School as a freshman in the fall of 2018. Applications will be accepted from September 2, 2018 through October 1, 2018. Winner will be announced at the CDA Day celebration breakfast in October. For more information or to receive an application, email Jina Couvrette at cdascholarshipnv@cox.net

**New Members to the St. James Community**

If you are a new member and have **officially registered** here at St. James Catholic Church, you are still required to attend a new members' meeting. Meetings are scheduled the second Sunday of each month after the 11:00 am Mass. The next scheduled meeting is **September 9, 2018, with Robert Bass**. If you have any questions, contact the parish office at 702-648-6606.



**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE of LAS VEGAS**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last week's scathing grand jury report detailed graphic accounts of sexual abuse involving 300 priests and over 1,000 victim survivors in the State of Pennsylvania.

The grand jury findings described in horrific detail not only the abuse afflicted upon innocent children and youth by predatory clergy, but also unmasked a decades long pattern of protection, obfuscation, secrecy and concealment by bishops and Church authorities aware of this criminal behavior.

This willful negligence further victimized innocent and vulnerable children and youth not only in Pennsylvania, but in dioceses across the land.

These revelations have been the cause of embarrassment and disbelief for all of us in the Church.

The report has unleashed a torrent of righteous anger and outrage directed at bishops and diocesan officials where these patterns of negligence, denial, and obfuscation were tragically a way of doing business.

The President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo, described the present moment as a "moral catastrophe" visited upon our communities, largely caused by the failure and negligence of episcopal leadership.

Such wholesale dereliction on the part of diocesan leadership requires acknowledgement, accountability and atonement.

In the name of the Church, I offer a humble apology to all of you, in my own name and on behalf of my brother bishops, also recognizing that words alone are not enough.

This apology is coupled with firm resolve that our own Diocese of Las Vegas will continue to enforce its existing policies and practices that help ensure a safe and healthy environment for our children and youth. To that end, I underscore and reaffirm our commitment to the following:

- ° There will continue to be zero tolerance for anyone against whom there is a credible allegation of sexual abuse of a minor and a prohibition against any service, in any capacity, within the Diocese of Las Vegas;
- ° Every complaint of child sexual abuse will be immediately reported to local law enforcement officials for its investigation with the full backing and cooperation of the Diocese of Las Vegas;
- ° The Diocese will continue to rely on the wisdom and direction of the existing Oversight Review Board, whose membership includes our former retired district attorney, an individual who has served on the Nevada State Board of Nursing; a person who served three years on a federal grand Jury, an attorney who does not represent the Diocese of Las Vegas, and a pastor;
- ° We will continue to require criminal background checks and fingerprinting processed through both the State of Nevada and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a practice that exceeds standards established by the Dallas Charter for all persons, paid or volunteer, serving in any capacity in the Diocese; and

° In the name of transparency, I am further proposing to the Oversight Review Board that we publish the names of those priests who have had past credible complaints of sexual abuse against minors.

In recent days, I have been encouraged by the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for formulating policies and processes to hold bishops "to the highest standards of transparency and accountability."

These goals, according to Conference President Cardinal DiNardo, "will be pursued according to three criterion: proper independence, sufficient authority and substantial leadership by the laity." The proposed policy will ultimately require the approval of Pope Francis.

This motion is the first of its kind, and in my opinion, long overdue. It will be presented to the full body of bishops at the Baltimore Assembly in November. It will have my full and unqualified support.

While these revelations are tragic and distressing, they also provide an opportunity to further purify and strengthen the Church, heal its gaping wounds, create new accountability, bring an end to secrecy and concealment, and further protect the precious children and youth of our community.

Finally, it is important that we do not permit this crises to overshadow the Church's mission and ministry work that I have repeatedly observed first-hand during my short tenure in this vibrant community.

I ask for God's abundant blessings upon you and your families, and for special blessings upon all victim survivors of sexual abuse.

I also humbly request your prayers during these difficult and trying days. We will not let darkness and shadows conceal the Son of God.

Working together we can emerge a stronger, more transparent Church and move forward into a future full of hope.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

George Leo Thomas
Bishop of Las Vegas

