# Sunday Bulletin

# St. John Vianney Church

# **OUR MISSION**

As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in his mission of justice and peace, through the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God.

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# **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00pm for lunch



# **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Tuesday - Friday @ 9:30am Saturday @ 5:00pm Sunday @ 9:30am & 11:30am



# CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday @ 4:00pm - 4:45pm Sunday @ 10:45am - 11:15am



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\*\*\*Emergency due to death or serious illness, press 9.

# **Loving The Unlovable**

Snow Man was a gray white horse that Harry De Leyer picked up cheaply at a horse auction. Harry trained Snow Man, and the horse served well at the girls' school where Harry was the riding master. However, when the school closed for the summer, a neighbor made a generous offer for Snow Man, and Harry could not afford to refuse it. So Snow Man had a new home. Snow Man, however, liked his old home and his old master. Time and time again he jumped the neighbor's high fences and returned to Harry. All Snow Man needed was the love and attention of his master.

That is what Zacchaeus needed as well. Zacchaeus knew that there was something more in life and he was determined to experience it. He was willing to make whatever change was necessary in life to see his dream come true. After he had felt the touch of the Master's hand, he was willing to live up to his new commitment by no longer being dishonest in his work, by making restitution for the wrongs he had done in the past, and by sharing what he had with the needy

Fr. Jack Mc Ardle tells a story about God's forgiveness. Imagine when you die that Jesus comes to meet you and shows you a video of your entire life. In the video you see all the good things you did. But there are also a number of blank spots on the tape. You ask why there are such blank spots and Jesus tells you these were the times when you sinned and asked for God's mercy. When God forgives, he completely blanks out our sins and does not remember them.

Let us remember next time when we feel like a worthless sinner whom God can't use: Noah was a drunk, Abraham was too old, Isaac was a day-dreamer, Jacob was a liar, Leah was ugly, Joseph was abused, Moses had a stuttering problem, Gideon was a coward, Sampson had long hair and was a womanizer, Rahab was a prostitute, Jeremiah and Timothy were too young, David had an affair and was a murderer, Elijah was suicidal, Isaiah preached naked, Jonah ran from God, Naomi was a widow, Job went bankrupt, John the Baptist ate locusts, Peter denied Christ, the apostles fell asleep while praying, Martha worried about everything, the Samaritan woman was divorced more than once, Zacchaeus was too small, Paul was a fanatic, Timothy had an ulcer...and Lazarus was dead! We have no more excuses now.

isbeyond redemption repentance, even those whom we see as gross sinners. Let us remember that Jesus loves us in spite of our ugly thoughts, broken promises, lack of prayer and faith. He will put us back on the straight road to heaven. We will become again true "sons and daughters of Abraham." Love changes people. Acceptance and openness which were Jesus' mode of operation must become ours, too. Just as Jesus loved Zacchaeus even though he was the worst of sinners, so we must love others in spite of their sin. mission is active, not passive. He doesn't wait for people to come to him. He actively seeks the lost in order to save them. Let us accept the divine invitation for repentance. Jesus wants us to move from our small and feeble faith to a greater and more powerful faith. God wants us to be financially and spiritually generous.

Congratulations I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to our newly elected Catholic School Board Trustee, Susan VanAmelsvoort and returning Catholic School Board trustee, Maria Hardie. I am confident that Susan and Maria will continue to make a meaningful difference to support our local students, schools, and communities.

Fr. Bija Kannampuzha

# Mass Intentions for the Week

5:00 pm + Joe Pisani Saturday October 29th Requested by: Pisani Family

> 5:00 pm † Qara Maristelle Clemente Requested by: Leonarda Clemente

Sunday 9:30 am † Ettore D'Antonio October 30th Requested by: Rita & Joseph

Tuesday 9:30 am For the special intentions of

November 1st Sabrina Achaibar

Requested by: Larry & Mary Jane White

Wednesday No morning Mass

November 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 pm ALL SOULS DAY MASS Friday 9:30 am † Marina & Frank Prior November 4th Requested by: Suzanne Prior



Wednesday November 2nd is a dav of praver special commemoration of all the faithful departed. As Catholics, it's our duty

to offer prayers for friends and loved ones who have passed away. We invite parishioners to enter the names of their departed loved ones in the **Book of Remembrance** located in the vestibule when you enter the church. On that day we will celebrate a Solemn Requiem Mass at 7:00 pm with a reception in the parish hall to follow.

PLEASE NOTE, there will be NO Welcome Wednesday this Wednesday, November 2nd

#### FIRST FRIDAY

November 4th is the first Friday of the month. First Fridays have traditionally been associated with devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Sacrament. To appropriately observe First Fridays there will be Eucharistic adoration following the 9:30 am Mass until 11:00 with Benediction.



# TOUCHLESS HOLY WATER FONT

Thanks to the generosity parishioners. Abilash Dula Kuttikadan Antony, we

recently acquired a touchless Holy Water Font. Why a touchless Holy Water Font? Attitudes regarding hygiene have changed during the pandemic and many people are not comfortable using a normal communal font for Holy Water. In the interest of keeping everyone safe, we thought a touchless option would be preferred. To use, simply place your fingertips under the dispenser and drops of Holy Water will be dispensed.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is trying something new! Our summer food drive was a huge success, and we would like to build on that success by opening our doors to accepting donations EVERY Thursday between 2:00 pm -

3:00 pm. School snacks, peanut butter, cereal, coffee, tea, sugar, and toiletries are always in high demand. Thank

#### you for your ongoing generosity!



The CWL Bazaar will be held Saturday November 19, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

We are requesting any preserves, jams, knitting, crafts, new to you and religious items you wish to donate. Please feel free to drop off any items on Wednesdays between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

All donations of baking can be dropped off the week of November 17, 18th, and early November 19th.

We are also in need of 10-inch plant pots for the planters. Thank you.

#### FREE WEBINAR!!!

#### ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 9:00 am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. To register, send us email development@archtoronto.org

Please include 'webinar November 12th' in the subject line and provide your name in the body of a message. Also, we would be grateful if, for the sake of our statistics, you could let us know whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member. You will receive a link to closer the webinar.



#### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS!

On the first Sunday in November (November 6<sup>th</sup>) daylight savings time ends and the clocks "fall back" one hour. This happens at 2 a.m., so please remember to

turn your clocks

Please join us after the 9:30 am & 11:30 am Sunday Masses for fellowship & refreshments. Hosts are volunteers from the various ministries. This Sunday's hosts are the Lectors. We hope to see you there.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who are sick: Isabel Crickard. And for those who have died recently: 🏗 Marcial Mallari, † Heather Ann Sheppard, ♥Suzanne Swain, ♥ Len Shirose



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