

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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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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THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

We gather this day to celebrate singing, rejoicing, anticipating. Gifts likely wait for us back home.

We put certain things on pause for Christmas, but do we dare ask about the day after Christmas? Does Christmas make any difference? Does Christmas change anything? How did the birth of Jesus change anything for the main characters in the Christmas story?

The birth of Jesus did not change the outward circumstances of the lives of the main characters in the story. It did not chip away at the wealth and might of the empire. It did not bring balance to the power in the world. It did not break the yoke of oppression of the Romans over the Jewish people. All of that continued just as it had.

Even though the outward circumstances of their lives had not changed, the shepherds had seen the angels. They had heard the voices from heaven, "I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord." Maybe those words stayed with them. Who could have forgotten such an experience, such a message? Did that experience give them more patience with life? Did it give them more endurance for their weariness? Did it give them the assurance that God cared about them in the middle of their field with someone else's sheep? They knew that God had come into their world, noticed them and shared the joy of the birth of the Messiah.

Mary and Joseph still would have a hard life, but they had experienced the message of the shepherds, who told them of the visit of the angels. She treasured those words. Mary had heard the words of Gabriel, "The Lord is with you." Mary and Joseph could draw strength and purpose from those words. Those words could sustain them and give them purpose.

As we look at our seemingly unchanged world on the day after Christmas, we can hold on to this story. We can reach back to Gabriel's words to Mary that God "has brought down the

powerful from their thrones." We hear in that the message that God judges those who misuse power and wealth. If we feel pushed around, God has the last word. We claim the promise that God has "filled the hungry with good things." God will take care of those who do not have enough.

The outward circumstances of our lives may not have changed because of Christmas, either the first one or the one we celebrate this weekend. Nevertheless, we can face our lives with courage and strength. God has come into this painful world. Jesus and his parents have experienced the pain of our lives. God understands. God walks with us.

Let us rejoice in what God has done in Jesus, even if the world seems just as dangerous and wearying as it did before. Let us claim the power to stand up for those who need our voice, our actions. Let us take hope because God cares for us, because God wishes peace for us, because God looks upon us with favor. If it seems as though nothing has changed, let us open our eyes to the way everything has changed.



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

As we welcome Jesus into our hearts at Christmas, let us welcome our friends to Mass.

We extend our warmest of greetings to our many holiday visitors as well as any new parishioners to the parish. Here at St. John Vianney, we are dedicated to welcoming everyone to encounter Christ, grow in faith and share our gifts. We hope you feel welcome and at home here. The Gift of Christmas is a precious reminder that we are loved. I hope that your Christmas is filled with love, joy, and peace surrounded by family and friends. On behalf of the staff, I wish you and your family a very blessed Christmas with good health, happiness, and peace throughout the New Year.

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha, CMI

 <p>CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S HOLY MASS SCHEDULE</p>
<p>Saturday Dec. 24th Christmas Eve 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Sunday Dec. 25th Christmas Day 9:30 am & 11:30 am</p>
<p>Saturday Dec. 31st New Year's Eve 5:00 pm Vigil Mass</p>
<p>Sunday January 1st, 2023 New Year's Day 9:30 am & 11:30 am</p>

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2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2023 Envelopes are now available in the vestibule. Please ensure you put your name and address on the first 3 envelopes beginning with January 1st, 2023. All those with pre-authorized monthly giving are reminded to pick up a box of special envelopes as not all envelopes are covered by your pre-authorized giving. There are registrations pamphlets for parishioners wishing to begin pre-authorized monthly giving.

Thank you for your continued support!

**SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION
AND CONFIRMATION:**

It's not too late to register for these sacraments. Please visit our parish website at stjohnvianneyba.archtoronto.org for more information and to download the registration forms. You may also come to the parish office during regular office hours to pick up a registration package.

The Parish Office will be closed on:

December 26th (in observance of Christmas Day)
December 27th (in observance of Boxing Day)
December 30th at NOON
January 2nd (in observance of New Year's Day)



Many thanks to the C.W.L. for their recent donations of \$600.00 & \$200.00. We are most grateful for your continued support of all our initiatives.

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- Enter our parish's postal code; L4N2W1
- Enter your name and your email address



**Knights of Columbus Council
10370**

**Presents: The 2023 Council
Basketball Free-Throw Competition
on Saturday, January 14th, 2023**

St. John Paul II School GYM for Girls and Boys 9 to 14 years old (age as of January 1st, 2023)

Register at St. John Paul II School between 9:30am and 10:00am (registration tables are in front of the gym). All Contestants must complete the registration/entry form (signed by their parents or guardian) and provide proof of age (birth certificate, health card or passport). Winners will go onto the District finals in February.

Ages 9-11 shoot from the 12 foot line

Ages 12-14 shoot from the 15 foot line

Contact Brother Kyle Tilley with any questions at 705-730-6512.



Please pray for those who are sick:
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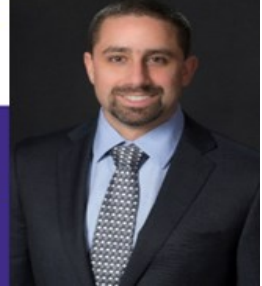
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