

ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CONNECTIONS

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 Savior 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

Sunday
9:30am & 11:30am

Tuesday 7:00pm
Wednesday - Friday
9:30am

Saturday
5:00pm



CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday
4:00pm - 4:45pm

Sunday
10:45am - 11:15am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00pm for lunch



**EMBRACING OUR
CALL TO
MISSIONARY
DISCIPLESHIP**

In today's celebration of the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we gather as a faith community to reflect upon the profound call to mission that lies at the heart of our Christian identity. Inspired by the readings from 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 and Matthew 22:15-21, we are reminded of the urgency and responsibility we have as followers of Christ to embrace the mission of spreading the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

The theme of today's liturgy, World Mission Sunday, invites us to contemplate the great commission that Jesus entrusted to His disciples and to all of us: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). These words echo through the ages, urging us to be active participants in God's plan of salvation for all humanity.

The letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians reminds us of the power of the Gospel to transform lives. Paul commends the Thessalonians for their faith and love, declaring, "We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope" (1 Thessalonians 1:2-3).

Just as the Thessalonians received the Gospel not only in word but also in power, the same call resounds within our hearts today. Our faith is not meant to be confined to the walls of this church but rather to be lived out daily, wherever we find ourselves. We are called to be living witnesses of Christ's love, mercy, and joy in the world.

In the Gospel passage, we encounter a thought-provoking exchange between Jesus and the Pharisees. They sought to trap Jesus with a question about paying taxes, but His response transcended their expectations. Jesus said, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Matthew 22:21). This powerful statement conveys a profound truth: while we have obligations to society, our ultimate allegiance belongs to God.

The saints throughout history have exemplified the spirit of mission, leaving behind a legacy of inspiration and courage. St. Teresa of Calcutta once said, "I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God, who is sending a love letter to the world." These words remind us that we too are instruments in God's hands,

called to participate in His mission of love and compassion.

As we celebrate World Mission Sunday, let us reflect on our own vocation as missionary disciples. Each one of us has a unique role to play in building God's kingdom on earth. Whether it be through acts of kindness, sharing the Good News, or supporting mission work financially, we have the power to make a difference.

Let us take inspiration from the words of Pope Francis, who reminds us, "Mission is never the fruit of a perfectly planned program or a well-organized manual. Mission is always the fruit of a life which knows what it is to be found and healed, encountered and forgiven. Mission is born of a constant experience of God's merciful embrace" (Evangelii Gaudium, 45).

As we go forth from this sacred gathering, let us recommit ourselves to living as missionary disciples, joyfully sharing the love of Christ with all whom we encounter. May our actions, guided by the Holy Spirit, bear witness to the transformative power of the Gospel. Together, let us strive to make a tangible impact in our local communities and beyond, knowing that we are part of a global Church that transcends borders and embraces diversity.

In conclusion, let us respond to the call of World Mission Sunday with open hearts and a renewed sense of purpose. May we be emboldened by the examples of the saints and the words of Scripture, knowing that we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ in a world hungering for His love. Let us go forth, living out the mission entrusted to us, and may God's grace accompany us every step of the way.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This weekend is Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your support of this important work. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.



Saturday October 21 st	5:00 pm For the People of the Parish
Sunday October 22 nd	9:30 am † Shirley Richard Requested by: Bob Richard
	11:30 am † Len Shirose Requested by: Christine Liggett
Tuesday October 24 th	7:00 pm † Marcial Mallari Requested by: Norma Mallari
	7:00 pm For the special intentions of Joan Johnston Requested by: Family
Wednesday October 25 th	9:30 am † Hermie Vanspall Requested by: Len Vanspall
Thursday October 26 th	9:30 am † Qara Maristella Clemente Requested by: Leonarda Clemente
Friday October 27 th	9:30 am † Bessie Papala Requested by: Family
	9:30 am † Florence Beaton Requested by: Bagnell Family
	9:30 am For the special intentions of Marg White-Jacobs Requested by: Family



Thursday November 2nd is a special day of prayer in 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.** There will be no morning Mass.

WELCOME WEDNESDAYS!

Please come join us for videos, activities and plenty of conversation. The Parish will provide hot and cold drinks and treats. Bring your own lunch, and we'll offer soup and fresh bread.



Supporting Your Parish Community?
Are you using donation envelopes to contribute to parish offertory? The tax receipt you receive each year will result in charitable income tax credits. Offertory envelopes or Pre-Authorized Giving forms can be picked up at the Welcome Table in the church hall after Mass.
Thank you for your support!

RCIC – Rite of Christian Initiation of Children: 7 TO 15 YEARS OLD
What if my child, or a child I know, has 'missed' a step . . .
Is not baptized? Was baptized, but not as a Catholic?
Didn't make First Communion?
Doesn't know Confession? Should receive Confirmation?
Then the RCIC Program is a chance to 'catch up.' Please contact the parish office (705) 726-8007 Ext. 204



The CWL Bazaar will be held Saturday November 18th, 2023. We are requesting any preserves, jams, knitting, craft items, new to you and religious items. We also require 10-inch plant pots for the planters. Baking for the bazaar, may be dropped off Thursday November 16, or Friday November 17th. If you have any sporting or entertainment event tickets you would like to donate that we can use as prizes, or any other item we can use as prizes, we will gladly accept. All donations can be dropped off any Wednesday between 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM. Don't forget to stop by for lunch while shopping at our bazaar. Watch for The Bazaar poster for more details. Thank you from your CWL.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
Learn: **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection. **How to create your own legacy**

- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

- scan this QR code:
- follow this QR link: <https://QRCO.de/oct28>
- send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar Oct 28" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



FELLOWSHIP

Please join us after the 9:30 am & 11:30 am Sunday Masses for fellowship & refreshments. Hosts are volunteers from the parish. We hope to see you there.

Please pray for those who are sick:



Eric Jr. Ramsbottom, Amelia Slater, Hank Abspoel, Margaret White-Jacobs, Mary Ellen Cremin, Teresa Perry, Carson Batters, Ana Demontes, Kelly McBride, Richard O'Brien, Joe Bottone, Brian Ballinger, Isabel Crickard & Maria Almeida-Pasko

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