

# St. John Vianney

## *Sunday Bulletin*

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



### CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday  
9:30am & 11:30am

Tuesday - 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



Saturday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm <b>For the People of the Parish</b>  5:00 pm † For deceased members of the <b>Zarzycki Family</b> Requested by: Family
Sunday July 16 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Jim Spizzirri</b> Requested by: Linda Lacasse  9:30 am For living & deceased <b>members of the CWL</b>  11:30 am † <b>Len Shirose</b> Requested by: Christine Liggett
Tuesday July 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am For the special intentions of <b>Vilma Chee-Foon</b> Requested by: Family
Wednesday July 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Bessie Papala</b> Requested by: Family
Thursday July 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Daniel &amp; Adrian Rahilly</b> Requested by: Eileen Cremin
Friday July 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Ed Henderson</b> Requested by: Colette Henderson



**Cultivating the Soil of Faith:  
Nurturing God's Word in Our Lives**

On this 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, we reflect on the Gospel of Matthew: 13:1-23, which speaks of the Parable of the Sower. In this parable, Jesus compares the Word of God to seeds sown on different types of soil, representing the receptiveness of our hearts to His teachings.

As we examine the message of this parable, we are reminded of the relevance it holds in our day-to-day lives. Here are key insights to ponder:

**1. Preparing the Soil:** Just as a farmer cultivates the soil before planting, we must prepare our hearts to receive God's Word. We can do this through prayer, reflection, and a willingness to be open to His teachings. Let us take time each day to create a fertile ground for God's message to take root.

**2. Nurturing the Seed:** Once the seed is sown, it requires care and attention to grow. Similarly, we need to nurture our faith through regular participation in the sacraments, engaging in scripture study, and seeking opportunities for spiritual growth. By doing so, we allow the Word of God to flourish within us.

**3. Overcoming Obstacles:** The parable highlights various obstacles that hinder the growth of the seed. We encounter challenges such as distractions, worldly desires, and the pressures of life. By remaining steadfast in our faith and seeking God's guidance, we can overcome these obstacles and continue to grow in our relationship with Him.

**4. Bearing Fruit:** The ultimate purpose of the seed is to bear fruit abundantly. Likewise, God desires that His Word transforms us and bears fruit in our lives. Let us strive to live out the Gospel values in our everyday interactions, showing love, forgiveness, and compassion to others. Our actions become a testimony to God's work in us.

On this 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, may we reflect on the Parable of the Sower and examine the quality of the soil within our hearts. Let us be receptive to God's Word, nurturing our faith, and allowing it to bear fruit in our lives. Together, as a community, let us support and encourage one another on this faith journey.

May God bless you abundantly as you continue to grow in His love and grace.



**ANNUAL MASS  
FOR FAITHFUL  
DEPARTED**

Catholic Cemeteries  
and Funeral Services -  
Archdiocese of Toronto

wish to invite all families within the  
Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the  
Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on  
**Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

In Barrie, the Mass will be celebrated at  
St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery  
208 Sunnysdale Road Barrie, ON

Fr. Laurence J. Leger will be the celebrant.

*In the event of rain, Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's  
Church*



Baptismal

Registration packages  
are available for  
download from our parish website  
([www.StJohnVianneyBA@archtoronto.org](http://www.StJohnVianneyBA@archtoronto.org)) or  
pick one up from the parish office. Baptisms  
usually take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the  
month (please confirm with the parish office).  
Attendance at a baptism preparation class  
(virtual class via Zoom) is mandatory before  
baptism takes place. Please fill in the applicable  
form(s) and submit them to the parish office and  
a staff member will call you to discuss dates.



Come join us to pray the rosary  
each weekday morning at 9:00  
a.m. (Tues. Wed. Thurs. & Fri.)  
prior to morning Mass which  
begins at 9:30 a.m.

**VOCATIONS**



“Are you in the spirit, since the  
spirit of God dwells within you.”

Is the spirit leading you or  
someone you know to ministerial service?  
If God is calling you to the priesthood,  
diaconate or consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt  
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process begins each fall and runs with weekly  
meetings up to and including the Easter season.  
For those who are not baptized and for those of  
other Christian denominations who are already  
baptized, the RCIA/RCIC (children ages 6 and  
up) process are a wonderful response to the  
Lord's call to His disciples to "Come and See". If  
you are interested in joining the RCIA/RCIC  
process for the fall of 2023 please call the parish  
office to make an appointment to meet with Paul  
Laplume, Lay Pastoral Associate (705) 726-8007  
Ext. 204.



*Please pray for those who  
are sick:*

Eileen Cremin, Teresa Perry,  
Carson Batters, Ana Demontes,  
Bunty Brooks, Kelly McBride, Richard O'Brien, Joe  
Bottone, Brian Ballinger, Isabel Crickard & Maria  
Almeida-Pasko *And for those who have died  
recently:* † Raymond Thomas

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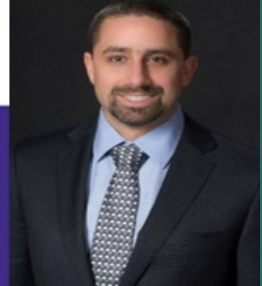
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