# 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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# 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



### A Journey of Transformation and Inspiration

Greetings and blessings to all of you on this joyous occasion of the Feast of the Transfiguration

of Jesus! Today, as we celebrate this significant event in the life of our Lord, let us reflect upon the meaning of transformation and seek inspiration from the life and teachings of our patron saint, St. John Vianney.

The Transfiguration was a pivotal moment in Jesus' ministry, where His divine glory was revealed to His disciples Peter, James, and John on Mount Tabor. It was a glimpse into the majestic radiance of His true identity, affirming His mission as the Son of God. This extraordinary event reminds us that even in the midst of our ordinary lives, we are called to be transformed by encountering the divine presence.

**Just** Jesus' appearance as transfigured, we too are invited to undergo a spiritual transformation. Our daily lives, with all their challenges and routines, can sometimes make us lose sight of the sacredness within and around us. But the Feast of the Transfiguration calls us to recognize that every moment has the potential to be infused with divine grace if we hearts minds and to open

St. John Vianney, known as the Curé of Ars, lived a life of profound transformation. His unwavering faith and dedication to God's people made him a true luminary in the Church. Despite facing numerous difficulties and setbacks, he remained steadfast in his mission to guide souls toward God. His life serves as an inspiration for us, reminding us that even in the face of adversity, we can find strength and purpose through our relationship with

One of St. John Vianney's famous quotes reminds us of the transformative power of prayer: "Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there: If you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them, and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky; public prayer is like that." These words teach us that our individual prayers, when united as a community, can create a powerful spiritual fire that illuminates our lives and the world around us.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration and honor St. John Vianney, let us contemplate the following insights:

- 1. Embrace Transformation: Just as Jesus was transformed on Mount Tabor, let us be open to the transformative power of God's love in our lives. Seek opportunities for personal growth, allowing God to shape and mold us into the best versions of ourselves.
- 2. Radiate God's Light: Like the disciples who witnessed Jesus' transfiguration, we are called to radiate God's light to those around us. Let our actions, words, and attitudes mirror the love and compassion of Christ, inspiring others to seek the divine in their own lives.
- **3. The Power of Prayer:** St. John Vianney's life exemplified the importance of prayer. Let us deepen our prayer lives, both individually and communally, recognizing that our prayers can ignite a powerful flame of faith that sustains us and transforms our communities.

As we gather in worship and celebration on this special feast day, may the Transfiguration of Jesus and the example of St. John Vianney remind us of the incredible potential for transformation in our lives. May we be renewed in faith, inspired to seek God's presence in the ordinary, and empowered to share His love with all those we encounter.

Wishing you a blessed and transformative Feast of the Transfiguration!



Saturday August 5th 5:00 pm For the People of the

Parish

Sunday August 6th 9:30 am **♣ Robert McCahery** Requested by: Barbara McCahery

9:30 am **↑ Frank Spizzirri** Requested by: Linda Lacasse

9:30 am P Nhon Thi Nguyen & Yonne Ngoc Tran

Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families

11:30 am ₽ Gloria da Silva & the deceased members of the da Silva Family

Requested by: Family

11:30 am ₽ Len Shirose Requested by: Christine Liggett

Tuesday August 8th 9:30 am P Bessie Papala Requested by: Family

Wednesday August 9th

9:30 am **† Mauricio Jose Cornejo** Requested by: Anita Reynolds

Thursday August 10<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am **₽ Dominic D'Souza** Requested by: D'Souza Family

Friday August 11th 9:30 am P Paul Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior

Fr. Joshys' Installation

You are cordially invited to the celebration of Fr. Joshy Georges' installation as Pastor of St. John Vianney Church. His Excellency, Bishop John Boissonneau, will be the celebrant on Saturday August  $19^{th}$  at the 5:00 pm Mass. Cake and refreshments will be served in the parish hall immediately following the Mass.



#### 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 Sunnydale 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



Are you hoping to have your child baptized in the near future? Are you prepare for to looking Sacrament of Marriage? Perhaps you, or someone you know is

considering becoming a Roman Catholic? For details on preparation for any of the Sacraments, please call the Parish Office at 705-726-8007.

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





#### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

You are invited to register by completing the New Parishioner reaistration form available in the church vestibule or by visiting the

parish office during regular business hours.

Registration is very important especially when requesting any of the sacraments or a pastoral referral. Any documentation issued by the office (Pastor) is based on the available parish records; therefore, registering with the parish is necessary when you find yourself in need of services.

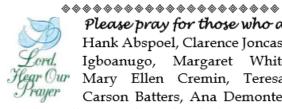
Your financial support of the parish is also essential. Donation Envelopes or PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) forms are available from the Welcome Table in the vestibule after Mass. Yearend tax receipts will be issued for your donations. Thank you for your support!



#### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN **BECOMING A CATHOLIC?**

Have you or someone you know ever A Catholic? If so,

the RCIA process is for you. This 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, our Lay Pastoral Associate (705) 726-8007 Ext. 204.

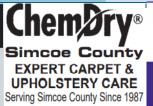


#### Please pray for those who are sick. Hank Abspoel, Clarence Joncas, Samuel Igboanugo, Margaret White-Jacobs, gr Our Mary Ellen Cremin, Teresa Perry, Carson Batters, Ana Demontes, Bunty

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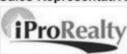
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