

# 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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\*\*\*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 August 19 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm <b>For the People of the Parish</b>  5:00 pm † <b>Joe Pisani</b> Requested by: The Pisani Family
Sunday August 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am For the living & deceased members of the <b>C.W.L.</b>  11:30 am † <b>Joseph, † Josephine &amp; † Michael Pace</b> Requested by: Lorraine Pace
Tuesday August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Peter Wijesinghe</b> Requested by: Christopher & Erica Wijesinghe
Wednesday August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Valerie Capri Teolis</b> Requested by: The Teolis Family
Thursday August 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am For the special intentions of <b>Sharyn &amp; Tom Hall</b> Requested by: Carole & Doug Woolway
Friday August 25 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am † <b>Tito Lapat Cagulada</b> Requested by: Lilly Jesseau



## Faith, Trust, and Perseverance

Today's readings invite us to contemplate the themes of faith, trust, and perseverance.

In the first reading, from the Book of Isaiah (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7), we are reminded that God's house is meant to be a house of prayer for all people. It is a place where everyone is welcome, regardless of their background or social status. This message resonates deeply in our diverse and interconnected world today. We are called to create inclusive communities that embrace and celebrate the unique gifts and contributions of every individual.

The Gospel reading (Matthew 15:21-28) presents us with a powerful encounter between Jesus and a Canaanite woman. Initially, Jesus seems hesitant to help her, but her unwavering faith and persistence touch his heart. Through her example, we learn the importance of perseverance in our own spiritual lives. Even when faced with obstacles or apparent silence from God, we are encouraged to persist in prayer and trust that God hears us and responds to our needs in ways we may not always expect.

In our day-to-day lives, we encounter various challenges that may test our faith and resilience. We may face personal struggles, uncertainties, or moments of doubt. However, the readings remind us that God's love is constant and that we can draw strength from our relationship with Him. Let us remember that we are never alone on our journey of faith. God walks with us, offering His guidance, comfort, and grace.

This week, let us reflect on how we can make our parish community more inclusive and welcoming, just as the prophet Isaiah envisioned. Let us reach out to those who may feel marginalized or excluded, extending a hand of acceptance and compassion. May we also be inspired by the Canaanite woman's persistence and unwavering faith. When faced with challenges, may we turn to God in prayer, trusting that He will provide for us according to His divine plan.

As we continue our journey of faith, may we seek to deepen our relationship with God and embrace the values of inclusivity, perseverance, and trust. May these qualities guide us in our interactions with others and inspire us to live as true disciples of Christ.



### Fr. Joshy's Installation

Congratulations to Fr. Joshy on his Installation as Pastor of St. John Vianney Parish. We pray that God's blessings will be upon him on this day and every day and that his love for serving Him will become ever stronger and more joyful through the years.

We would also to extend a sincere thank you to His Excellency, Bishop John A. Boissonneau for being here to celebrate this momentous occasion.



Thank you to the Catholic Women's League for their generous donation of \$3,081.14 acquired from proceeds raised from their annual Spring Tea!

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.



**Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo**  
**Friday, September 29, 2023**  
**@ 5:30 p.m. – St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

### **ST. MARY'S CHURCH - BARRIE** **Seasons of Hope Bereavement Group to Begin**

This program is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in the healing wisdom, traditions and practices of the Catholic Church. The program rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God's consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing our faith.

A Christ-centered group is for you if any of the following are true:

- You are trying to figure out the meaning of your grief
- You want to get on with life, but have been unable to
- You find comfort in the teaching of Christ
- You are open to new ways of coping with your grief
- You are looking for friends in Christ to share your journey of sorrow.

The group meets at **St. Mary's Church, 65 Amelia Street, Barrie** at 7:30 p.m. for six consecutive Wednesdays beginning September 20, 2023 in St. Joseph's Room. Registration is required. For more details or to register please contact Catherine Ecker in the parish office at 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



### **VOLUNTEER REJUVINATION!!!**

#### **Looking for a Pastoral Reference? Join our Volunteer Team!**

Will you, or someone you know, require a pastoral reference letter perhaps in the next year? For example, these references may be required when applying for employment in Chaplaincy services, Parish work, Catholic counselling, or especially for some positions in Catholic Schools.

In order for a pastor to complete a reference, an applicant must demonstrate regular attendance and involvement in Parish life. An applicant should make plans and begin now to join us at weekly Sunday Mass, attend Parish events, and volunteer in our Parish programs. Please speak to our Pastor or our Lay Pastoral Associate for more information.



*Please pray for those who are sick:*

- Hank Abspoel, Clarence Joncas, Samuel Igboanugo, Margaret White-Jacobs, Mary Ellen Cremin, Teresa Perry, Carson Batters, Ana Demontes, Bunty Brooks, Kelly McBride, Richard O'Brien, Joe Bottone, Brian Ballinger, Isabel Crickard & Maria Almeida-Pasko

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