# 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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Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am

**EUCHARIST** 

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 5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sept. 9th

5:00 pm For the special intentions of

Darlene D'Souza

Requested by: The D'Souza Family

Sunday Sept. 10th 9:30 am ₱ Rosemarie Robinson

Requested by: Joan & Robert Cassidy

11:30 am & Gloria da Silva and the Deceased Members of the da Silva Family

Requested by: Family

Tuesday

9:30 am **† Ethel Prior** 

Sept. 12th

Requested by: Suzanne Prior

Wednesday

9:30 am For the special intentions of the

Sept. 13th

Lucille Dahmer

Requested by: Carole & Doug Woolway

Thursday

9:30 am 4 Jason Devitt

Sept. 14th

Requested by: The Devitt Family

Friday Sept. 15th 9:30 am P Bessie Papala Requested by: Family

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"Embracing Unity and Compassion in Our Faith Journey"

On this 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, the readings invite us to explore the ways in which we can implement the teachings of Jesus in our present circumstances.

In the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 18:15-20), Jesus presents a lesson on fraternal correction and reconciliation within the community of believers. He teaches us the importance of addressing conflicts and seeking resolution with love and humility. As we navigate the challenges of our modern world, how can we apply this teaching in our daily interactions with others? Let us remember that open communication, forgiveness, and reconciliation are essential building harmonious relationships.

Reflecting on the first reading (Ezekiel reminded 33:7-9), we are our responsibility as Christians to be watchful and faithful stewards of the faith. The prophet Ezekiel was appointed as a "watchman" to warn the people of their wrongdoing. Today, we are called to be atchful of the moral challenges and injustices present in our society. How can we actively respond to these issues and promote justice, love, and compassion in our communities? Let us find ways to be proactive in defending values

In the second reading (Romans 13:8-10), St. Paul emphasizes the primacy of love in our relationships. He reminds us that love fulfills the commandments and is the foundation of our Christian lives. How can we cultivate a love that goes beyond superficial gestures and permeates every aspect of our existence? Let us reflect on our actions and intentions, ensuring that they are rooted in love, kindness, and genuine concern for others.

As we gather this week, I would like to remind you that we are hosting a mission appeal. It is an opportunity for us to support the missions and contribute to the work of missionaries in spreading the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Each one of us can make a difference, whether through prayer, financial support, or volunteering. Let us embrace this call and support the mission in whatever way

Let us approach this 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time with open hearts and minds, ready to receive the wisdom of the Word of God. May the teachings of Jesus inspire us to be agents of reconciliation, watchful stewards of our faith, and bearers of love in our interactions with others. Let us remember the mission appeal and respond generously, supporting the work of missionaries who bring hope and the message of Christ to those who need it most.

Let us remember that our faith calls us to be united as one family, supporting and uplifting each other in times of joy and adversity. As we gather for Mass this Sunday, let us embrace the unity and love that Christ teaches us, extending compassion to those around us.

May this week be filled with opportunities to show kindness, understanding, compassion to our fellow parishioners and the wider community. Together, let us be a shining example of Christ's love in our lives.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead.



### MISSION APPEAL

This weekend we welcome Sr. Lucy Marindany from the Little Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi USA-Mission.

The Sisters have established a new Mission in the remote area of Sultan Hamud in Kenya called the St. Francis Clinic Sultan Hamud. At this clinic they endeavour to aid the health care needs of the community and the surrounding area. Sr. Lucy is here this weekend to talk about their new project, equipping a dental facility for the clinic. We welcome you to pick up a flyer which details the project.

### WELCOME WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK!

Welcome Wednesdays is a drop-in social event for parishioners and their friends. Our first gathering will take place this **Wednesday**, **September 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please come to enjoy 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.



## 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 <u>now</u> 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.

### MASS TIME CHANGE

Effective October 3, 2023, our weekday morning Mass which took place on Tuesday at 9:30 am will now change to 7:00 p.m. moving forward.

Any Mass intentions that were previously scheduled for 9:30 am on Tuesdays, will now

be switched to the 7:00 pm Mass.



## WELCOME BACK ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHOIR!

Choir participation has resumed! If you are interested in joining, please contact our Music Director, Marilyn at mreesor@archtoronto.org.



#### FALL FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are teaming up for a much needed food drive. The Knights will be handing

out bags after the Masses the weekend of September 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> and will then receive them the following weekend of September 30<sup>th</sup> & October 1<sup>st</sup>. Some much needed food items include; school snacks, cereal, peanut butter, jam, coffee, sugar, pancake mix and syrup, canned meat, canned pasta and canned fruit.

Thank you for your support!



Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo

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!



Please pray for those who are sick: Hank Abspoel, 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 And for those who have died recently:

† Norma Kilson



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