

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 - 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 HEALING AND RECONCILIATION

"Forgiveness is the fragrance that the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it." - Mark Twain

Dear Parishioners,

As we gather together on this 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we are reminded of the powerful theme of forgiveness that resonates through today's readings. Forgiveness is a gift we offer to others and ourselves, a path to healing and reconciliation. Let us explore this profound theme and reflect on how forgiveness can transform our lives.

In the first reading, we encounter the wisdom of Sirach, who urges us to let go of anger and resentment. "Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven" (Sirach 28:2). Forgiveness is not only an act of mercy towards others but also a means of receiving mercy ourselves. Let us ponder the freedom and peace that forgiveness can bring to our lives.

The psalmist reminds us of God's abundant mercy and compassion: "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love" (Psalm 103:8). We are called to imitate this divine compassion by extending forgiveness to those who have wronged us. Through forgiveness, we participate in God's transformative love, bringing healing to broken relationships.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that none of us lives or dies for ourselves alone. We belong to the Lord, and

our actions should reflect His love and forgiveness. Let us strive to live in harmony, showing compassion and understanding to one another, just as Christ has shown to us.

In the Gospel, we encounter Peter's question to Jesus about forgiveness: "Lord, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus responds with a challenging parable about a servant who, after being forgiven an enormous debt, refuses to show the same mercy to a fellow servant. Through this parable, Jesus teaches us the importance of extending limitless forgiveness to others, just as God has forgiven us.

In our daily lives, forgiveness can be a difficult journey. We may have experienced deep wounds or harbored grudges for far too long. But forgiveness is the key that unlocks our hearts, allowing God's healing grace to flow in and through us. As we embrace forgiveness, we release the burden of bitterness and open ourselves to the transformative power of love.

Let us remember these words as we go about our day-to-day lives:
- "Forgiveness does not change the past, but it does enlarge the future." - Paul Boose

May this week be an opportunity for each of us to reflect on the theme of forgiveness and its transformative power. Let us seek reconciliation, mend broken relationships, and extend forgiveness to all who have wronged us. In doing so, we embody Christ's love and become instruments of healing in our families, communities, and the world.

Wishing you a blessed and forgiving week!



Saturday Sept. 16 th	5:00 pm For the People of the Parish
Sunday Sept. 17 th	9:30 am † Clarence McCorkell Requested by: Helen McCorkell
	9:30 am For the Living and Deceased Members of the CWL
	11:30 am † Jebreil Syed Requested by: The Chee-Foon Family
Tuesday Sept. 19 th	9:30 am † Ed Henderson Requested by: Colette Henderson
Wednesday Sept. 20 th	9:30 am † Georgina Paquete Requested by: Gina Paquete
Thursday Sept. 21 st	9:30 am † Bessie Papala Requested by: Family
Friday Sept. 22 nd	9:30 am † Nicola & Felicia Fatiga Requested by: Fatiga Family



WELCOME WEDNESDAYS HAVE RESUMED!

Welcome Wednesdays is a drop-in social event for parishioners and their friends. 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.

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.



The CWL ladies are now preparing for our upcoming Annual Bazaar in November. Just a friendly reminder to please keep us in mind if you are doing any home canning items, baking, knit items and/or wool, religious items, gently used home items. Please see future bulletins for drop off dates.

Thank you, Your CWL

FELLOWSHIP IS BACK!!!



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



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 23rd & 24th and will then receive them the following weekend of September 30th & October 1st. 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!

Humanitarian aid for Morocco - The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through our Catholic partners in Morocco to support relief efforts underway.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website – www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
- Name of Parish – Morocco Earthquake - Humanitarian Relief

Humanitarian aid for Libya - Currently, our Catholic partners are not present in Libya to coordinate relief efforts and as such we are unable to accept donations to aid those affected by the flooding at this time. For those wishing to offer support to the people of Libya, please consider a gift through the Canadian Red Cross in the following ways:

- Online through the Red Cross website – www.redcross.ca
- By phone through the Red Cross – 1-800-418-1111

Please continue to pray for those who have died, for those who are missing or displaced because of these tragic disasters in both Morocco and Libya and for all who are working hard to provide relief and rescue in both locations.



Please pray for those who are

sick: Amelia Slater, 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

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