

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 7:00pm
Wednesday - 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

RESPONDING TO THE LORD'S BANQUET: CLOTHED IN READINESS

Today, we gather as a community of faith to reflect upon the theme of readiness to respond to the call of the Lord's banquet with proper spiritual attire and disposition.

In the Gospel of Matthew (22:1-14), Jesus shares the parable of the wedding feast. We are reminded that God extends His invitation to all, but it is up to us to be prepared and properly attired to partake in this divine celebration. Just as the invited guests in the parable were expected to wear wedding garments, we too must clothe ourselves with spiritual readiness, humility, and love.

Saint Augustine once said, "You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in You." These words resonate deeply with the message of today's readings. Our restless hearts find their true peace and fulfillment when we respond to God's invitation with open and willing spirits, ready to feast upon the nourishment of His grace.

The call to readiness goes beyond merely adorning ourselves with physical attire; it encompasses our inner disposition as well. Saint Teresa of Ávila reminds us, "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours." This echoes the responsibility we have as Christians to prepare ourselves not only externally but also internally, cultivating virtues such as compassion, patience, forgiveness, and humility.

In the First Reading from the book of Isaiah (25:6-10a), we encounter the

beautiful image of God preparing a feast of rich foods and choice wines on His holy mountain. This imagery emphasizes the abundant blessings that await those who respond to His call. Let us take these words to heart and reflect on the ways we can grow in our readiness to receive and share the goodness of God's banquet with others.

As we gather for Mass today, let us examine our hearts and renew our commitment to be clothed in readiness, both in our external actions and internal disposition. May we respond eagerly to God's invitation, seeking His guidance and grace to live lives that reflect the love and joy of His kingdom.

In conclusion, let us remember the words of Saint Paul in his letter to the Philippians (4:13): "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." With Christ as our source of strength and inspiration, let us embrace the call to readiness and approach the Lord's banquet with hearts aflame, ready to experience the abundant blessings and joy that await us.


Wishing you a blessed Sunday filled with the grace and peace of our Lord.

**Welcome Wednesday Drop-in – Wednesday
October 18, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.
Special Presentation**


Jenna Wickens from Catholic Family Services will present a video and lead a discussion on valuing mature adults. Jenna is the high energy Mature Minds Coordinator at CFS and an advocate for removing stereotypes and prejudices about aging. Intended for all ages, this seminar supports the recent teachings of Pope Francis about society's attitude to older adults. Please join us to examine how to promote a cultural shift that will see aging as an achievement!



Saturday October 14 th	5:00 pm For the People of the Parish
Sunday October 15 th	9:30 am For living & deceased members of the C.W.L. 11:30 am † Len Shirose Requested by: Christine Liggett
Tuesday October 17 th	7:00 pm For the special intentions of Willcott & Murray Families Requested by: Loretta Willcott 7:00 pm † Slavko Ajdinovic Requested by: Christine Newton
Wednesday October 18 th	9:30 am † Hugh Chisholm Requested by: Angel Chisholm
Thursday October 19 th	9:30 am † Bessie Papala Requested by: Family
Friday October 20 th	9:30 am † Bunty Brooks Requested by: Kyle Tilley 9:30 am † Tony Vanspall Requested by: Len Vanspall

 **All Souls Day**

Thursday November 2nd is a special day of prayer in commemoration of all the faithful departed. As Catholics, it's our duty to offer prayers for friends and loved ones who have passed away. We invite parishioners to enter the names of their departed loved ones in the **Book of Remembrance** located in the vestibule when you enter the church. On that day we will celebrate a **Solemn Requiem Mass at 7:00 pm with a reception in the parish hall to follow.**

 **SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION FOR 2023/2024 SEASON**

CONFIRMATION

Parents, if your child is in Gr. 7 this year, please note; registration packages have been sent home with all Grade 7 students in all 6 of our feeder schools. If your son/ daughter attends a different school, registration forms may also be picked up in the vestibule of our Church, or you may print it from the parish website. Registration and the first class will take place at the church on the following dates:

FRIDAY OCTOBER 20 AT 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
OR
SATURDAY OCTOBER 21 AT 1:00 pm- 2:30 PM

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
Learn: **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection

- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals



3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link: <https://QRCO.de/oct28>
3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar Oct 28" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

FELLOWSHIP

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



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The CWL Bazaar will be held Saturday November 18th, 2023. We are requesting any preserves, jams, knitting, craft items, new to you and religious items. We also require 10 plant pots for the planters. Baking for the bazaar, may be dropped off Thursday November 16, or Friday November 17th. If you have any sporting or entertainment event tickets you would like to donate that we can use as prizes, or any other item we can use as prizes, we would gladly accept. All donations can be dropped off any Wednesday between 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM. Don't forget to stop by for lunch while shopping at our bazaar. Watch for The Bazaar poster for more details. Thank you from your CWL.



Please pray for those who are sick:

Eric Jr. Ramsbottom, Amelia Slater, Hank Abspoel, Margaret White-Jacobs, Mary Ellen Cremin, Teresa Perry, Carson Batters, Ana Demontes, Kelly McBride, Richard O'Brien, Joe Bottone, Brian Ballinger, Isabel Crickard & Maria Almeida-Pasko

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