

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00pm for lunch

**“FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL
MAKE YOU FISHERS OF
PEOPLE.”
MARK 1:17**

In today's Gospel, we encounter the powerful call of Jesus to his disciples.

This call is not simply a beckoning, but a transformation—a transformation that beckons each of us today. As we reflect on the readings of this Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time, let us ponder the profound implications these words hold for our lives.

The first reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (18:15-20) reminds us of the promise of a prophet, a voice of authority from God, who would guide and lead the people. This promise finds its fulfillment in Jesus, the ultimate Prophet, the Word made flesh. His teachings and actions provide the guidance and direction we seek, illustrating the continuity of God's plan for salvation throughout history.

In Psalm (95), we are urged not to harden our hearts, but to listen to the voice of the Lord. It's a call to remain open, to be receptive to the divine message and guidance that continuously unfolds around us. Let us take a moment in our day-to-day lives to pause, listen, and be attentive to the whispers of God's presence in our midst.

St. Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor 7:32-35), speaks of being free from anxieties, allowing undivided devotion to the Lord. In a world filled with distractions and worries, his words resonate deeply. As we navigate our lives, let us strive to find moments of undivided attention to God, allowing His grace to guide us through the complexities of modern life.

The Gospel of Mark (1:21-28) presents Jesus as the authoritative teacher whose words and actions astonish those around Him. His authority is not rooted in earthly power but in divine truth. As we encounter the teachings of Jesus, may we be similarly astonished and inspired to allow His authority to shape our lives and actions.

In our contemporary lives, we are bombarded with noise, distractions, and conflicting messages. We are often called to discern the voice of truth amidst the clamor of the world. The readings today invite us to reflect on the call of Jesus and to consider how we respond to His authority in our lives. Are we willing to let go of our preconceptions and follow Him wholeheartedly, as the disciples did?

As we reflect on the readings, let us remember that the call of Jesus is not confined to the past; it is a living call that echoes through the ages and beckons us today. Let us be open to the ways in which Jesus calls each of us, uniquely and personally, to be "fishers of men" in our time and place.

In conclusion, let us take to heart the words of St. Catherine of Siena: "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." May we find the courage and grace to respond to the call of Christ, allowing His truth to guide us and inspire others through our words and actions.

May this Sunday be a reminder of our ongoing call to discipleship and an invitation to deepen our relationship with the Lord. Let us continue to journey together as a community, supporting and encouraging one another in our shared mission of bringing Christ's love to the world.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday 5:00 pm For the **People of the Parish**  
January 27<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 9:30 am † **Mladenka Nadinic**  
January 28<sup>th</sup>  
Requested by: Christina Newton

11:30 am For the deceased members of  
**The Macdonell Family**  
Requested by: Rosemarie Macdonell

Tuesday 7:00 pm † **Sadie Jackson**  
January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Requested by: Fred & Hazel Hawrish

7:00 pm For the special intentions of  
**Maria Thuy Mai & Maria Khuyen Hoang**  
Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families

7:00 pm For the special intentions of  
**Matthew Hogenbirk**  
Requested by: Suzanne Emdin

Wednesday 9:30 am † **Norman Bilotti**  
January 31<sup>st</sup>  
Requested by: Helen McCorkel

Friday 9:30 am † **Frank & Marina Prior**  
February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Requested by: Suzanne Prior

9:30 am † **Herberth Escobar**  
Requested by: Lidia Escobar & Family



## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

As has become a parish tradition, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Parish Pancake Supper on **Tuesday, February 13** in the parish hall from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. This will be a great time to get together as a church community and enjoy a delicious dinner as we enter the season of Lent. The dinner will include pancakes, sausages, baked beans, hash browns, dessert, and tea, coffee and juice. The cost is \$10 for adults with children under 16 free. Tickets will be sold this weekend and after all Masses on Feb. 3 and 4<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 10 and 11<sup>th</sup>. Payment can be made by cash, credit or debit card. Any monies surplus after the cost of supplies has been covered will be donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Please join us for this fun evening.

Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> is the first Friday of the month. First Fridays have traditionally been associated with devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Sacrament. To appropriately observe First Fridays there will be Eucharistic adoration following the 9:30 am Mass until 11:00 am with Benediction.

## WELCOME WEDNESDAYS

Please come join us at our Welcome Wednesday Drop-In for videos, activities and plenty of conversation. We meet every Wednesday from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.

† Reverend Manfred (Fred) Schmid died on Monday, January 22, 2024. Father Schmid was 83 years old and in his 45<sup>th</sup> year of the priesthood. He was ordained to the priesthood on December 8, 1979 by Cardinal Carter. Father Schmid was Associate Pastor at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, St. Ambrose Parish, St. Maria Goretti Parish and St. John Vianney Parish. He was Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Port McNicoll and St. Ann's Parish, Penetanguishene. He also ministered at Trillium Health Centre Mississauga. Father Schmid retired in 2010 and was in residence in Barrie.



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!



## CALLING ALL GARDNERS AND PLANT ENTHUSIASTS!

We are looking to form a group of volunteers to help beautify the church with some new greenery. If you have a green thumb and would like to share your talent and love of plants, please call the parish office.

## REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

† Fr. Fred Schmid & † Anne Jardin



*Please pray for those who are sick:*

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and Kyle Ramdial

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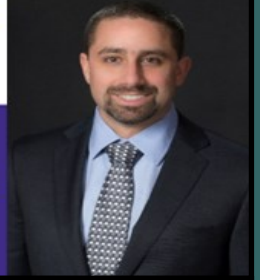
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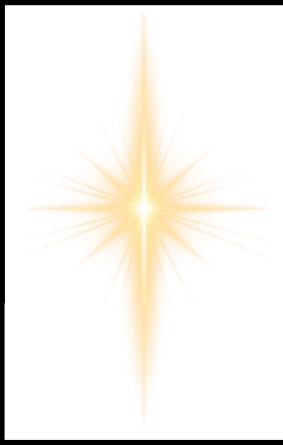
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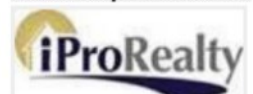


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