

# 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



## JESUS HEALS

On the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, we are called to reflect on the profound messages conveyed through the Scripture readings of the day.

In the first reading from the Book of Leviticus, we are reminded of the importance of purity and holiness in our lives. As stated in Leviticus 13:1-2, 45-46, "The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare, and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, 'Unclean, unclean!' As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean, since he is unclean. He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

This reading challenges us to examine our own lives and question whether we are living in accordance with God's commandments and striving for spiritual purity. Just as the leper had to declare himself unclean, we too must acknowledge our imperfections and sins before God, seeking His forgiveness and grace.

In the second reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians, we are reminded that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, and we are urged to honor God with our bodies. This serves as a powerful reminder of the sacredness of our existence and the responsibility we have to treat ourselves and others with dignity and respect.

In the Gospel reading from Mark 1:40-45, we encounter the powerful story of Jesus healing a leper. Despite societal norms and expectations, Jesus shows compassion and reaches out to touch the untouchable, demonstrating His boundless love and mercy for all. This act of healing not only physically restores the leper but also symbolizes the

spiritual healing that Jesus offers to each one of us.

As St. Augustine once said, "God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination." This reminds us of the urgency to seek reconciliation with God and to turn away from sin today, not waiting for a tomorrow that may never come. Let us strive to emulate the faith of the leper who approached Jesus with humility and trust, believing in His power to heal and transform lives.

Therefore, as we meditate on the readings of this day, let us be inspired to seek spiritual purity, to acknowledge our need for healing and forgiveness, and approach God with faith and humility. May we be reminded that no matter how broken or unclean we may feel, Jesus is always ready to reach out to us with love, compassion, and the promise of renewal. Let us embrace this message and strive to live each day in accordance with God's will, spreading His light and love to all those we encounter.



ASH  
WEDNESDAY

### THE LENTEN SEASON

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten Season in which we prepare ourselves to celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of Christ by drawing closer to him through good works, repentance, prayer, and fasting.

This year, Ash Wednesday will be celebrated on **Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>**. There will be two Masses – one at 9:30 a.m. and the other at 7:00 p.m. The 9:30 am Mass will be livestreamed from our website:

<https://stjohnvianneyba.archtoronto.org>



### **The Stations of the Cross**

Join us for **The Stations of the Cross** devotion on Friday evenings at **7:00 pm.** during Lent. The first *Stations of the Cross* will take place **Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>** and will be led by members of the C.W.L.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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Saturday  
February 10<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm For the **People of the Parish**

Sunday  
February 11<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am † **Frank Spizzirri**  
Requested by: Linda Lacasse

11:30 am † **Tran Ngoc Hanh & Mai Viet Phu**  
Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families

Tuesday  
February 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm † **Maria Kim & Do Sung Kang**  
Requested by: Yousoon Kang

7:00 pm † **John LaFrance**  
Requested by: Eileen LaFrance

Wednesday  
February 14<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am † **Aurele Daigle**  
Requested by: Family

Thursday  
February 15<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am For the special intentions of **Fred & Hazel Hawrish**  
Requested by: Marlaine & Eric Sr. Ramsbottom

Friday  
February 16<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am † **Lawrence Kim**  
Requested by: Family

9:30 am † **Antonio Pereira**  
Requested by: Pereira Family

9:30 am † **Maria C. Sousa**  
Requested by: The Sousa Family

9:30 am † **Olinda Branco**  
Requested by: The Sousa Family

9:30 am **Living & Deceased members of the C.W.L.**

9:30 am For the special intentions of **Evelyn Herbert**  
Requested by: Marlaine & Eric Sr. Ramsbottom



**PAPER PRODUCTS DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus are holding a **PAPER**

**PRODUCTS DRIVE** (toilet paper and paper towels only) for the *Women and Childrens Shelter of Barrie*. Donations of toilet paper and paper towels will be gratefully accepted before and after the Masses in the church hall on **Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your generous support.



**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, as well as tea, coffee and juice. The cost is \$10 for adults with children under 16 free. Tickets are still available and will be sold after all the Masses this weekend. 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.



**Kindergarten Registration at SMCDSB**

Is your child turning 4 in 2024? If so, it's time to register for Kindergarten!

There is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. It is a blessing that the youngest members of our parish have the opportunity to grow in spirit and faith within a Catholic school community. Catholic schools offer distinct faith-filled learning experiences, with a combined focus on academic, spiritual, social and emotional growth. Together, our Catholic schools and our parish community will guide children in their ongoing growth in faith. We encourage parents who want to register their child for Kindergarten to visit the website at [smcdsb.on.ca](http://smcdsb.on.ca) for welcome videos and registration information.

RCIA has been cancelled for **Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**WELCOME WEDNESDAY has been cancelled for this week.**



Please join us after the 9:30 am & 11:30 am Sunday Masses for fellowship & refreshments. Hosts this week are families and staff of St. Francis of Assisi school. We hope to see you there!

**REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT**

† Anne Jardine



*Please pray for those who are sick:*  
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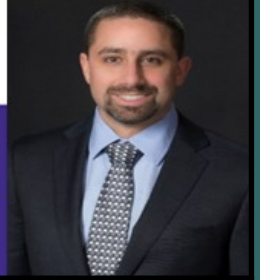
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