

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

LENT: A JOURNEY TOWARDS TRANSFORMATION

As we enter the First week of Lent, let us reflect on the profound significance of this season in our journey of faith. In today's readings, we are reminded of the importance of repentance, renewal, and the transformative power of God's love in our lives.

In the Gospel of Mark 1:12-15, we are reminded of Jesus' time in the desert, where He overcame temptation and began His public ministry. This period of Lent is our own spiritual desert, where we are called to confront our own temptations and grow closer to God.

St. Augustine beautifully captures the essence of repentance; he says, "**God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination.**" Let us not delay our conversion, but rather embrace this time of Lent to turn our hearts back to God.

Practical steps we can take during this season include fasting, prayer, almsgiving, and works of mercy. By fasting, we discipline our bodies and minds, making space for God to work in our lives. Through prayer, we deepen our relationship with God and seek His guidance. Almsgiving and works of mercy remind us to reach out to those in need and to be instruments of God's love in the world.

Let us make this Lent a time of true transformation, allowing God to purify our hearts and minds so that we may more fully live out our baptismal promises. May we

walk this Lenten journey with faith, hope, and love, trusting in God's grace to guide us each step of the way.

As we navigate the challenges of our daily lives, let us remember that true repentance and renewal are ongoing processes that require our active participation. Let us strive to make each day of this Lenten season a step closer to God, embracing the opportunities for growth and transformation that it brings.

May we emerge from this Lenten season as renewed and transformed followers of Christ, ready to embrace the joy of His Resurrection with hearts full of gratitude and love. Amen.



A retreat that will shine the light of Christ into your heart and lead you to Forgiveness, Freedom and Healing.

Led By: Fr. Roy Palatty CMI
Spiritual Director, Stalom Media

"I Thirst"
(John 19: 28)

Lenten Retreat

MARCH 18 HOLY MASS | TALK | ADORATION
MONDAY | 6 PM TO 8 PM

MARCH 19 PENITENTIAL SERVICE | HOLY MASS | HEALING ADORATION
TUESDAY | 5 PM TO 8 PM

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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 23rd** and will be led by members of the St. Vincent de Paul.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm For the people of the parish

Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am † **Ron & Glynn Johnston**  
Requested by: Keith & Eve Binns & Family

11:30 am † **Jim Taylor**  
Requested by: Knights of Columbus

Tuesday February 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm † **Betty Noel**  
Requested by: Les & Mary Watts

7:00 pm † **Thomas Hunt**  
Requested by: Elsie Walsh

Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30 am † **Samuel Hudson**  
Requested by: Jane Bradbury & Family

Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:30 am † **Lawrence Kim**  
Requested by: Family

Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30 am † **Fred Aloise**  
Requested by: Maria Aloise

9:30 am † **Shellie Lynn Scott**  
Requested by: William Scott

9:30 am For the deceased members of the **Feltraco Family**  
Requested by: Augusto Feltraco



## 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.

## 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.



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!

**The office will be closed on Monday February 19 in observance of Family Day.**

*Thank You for Your Support!*

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the over 120 parishioners who supported our Shrove Tuesday Parish Pancake Supper. As a result of your support, the Knights will be making a donation of over \$500 to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



## **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.



Please pray for those enrolled in our RCIA program as we invite them to join us on our Lenten journey. Also,

please pray for those who will be received this weekend by Bishop Boissonneau in the Rite of Election.

## FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 24, 2024, 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/WebFeb24>

3. send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org)

and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



## REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

† Dorothy Kenney & † Katie Gibbons



*Please pray for those who are sick:*

Hazel Hawrish, Larry White, Brian Ballinger, Kyle Ramdial, Olive Winter, Rose Gibson, Whitney McWilliam, & Matthew Hogenbirk

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