

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

LOVE AND UNITY

On the Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B, the readings call us to reflect on the theme of love and unity in the Christian community. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 9:26-31), we see how Saul, who persecuted Christians, is now accepted by the disciples because of Barnabas' advocacy. This passage highlights the transformative power of love and forgiveness in building harmonious relationships within the Church.

In the second reading from the First Letter of John (1 John 3:18-24), we are reminded of the commandment to love one another. Love is not just a feeling but requires concrete actions. By loving genuinely and sacrificially, we abide in God and God in us, creating a bond of unity that transcends all differences.

The Gospel reading from John (John 15:1-8) presents the metaphor of Jesus as the vine and his followers as the branches. Just as branches draw life from the vine, we must remain connected to Christ to bear fruit. This passage emphasizes the importance of staying rooted in Christ through prayer, Scripture, and the sacraments to live a fruitful Christian life.

In today's world, characterized by division, materialism, and self-centeredness, these readings offer a powerful message of unity, love, and spiritual nourishment. As St. John Chrysostom said, "What is more beneficial

than love? It dispels all that is contrary to it." Thus, we are called to love one another, forgive as we have been forgiven, and remain deeply connected to Christ, the source of all grace and strength.

To live out the Gospel message, we can start by practicing forgiveness, showing compassion to those in need, and prioritizing our relationship with God through prayer and sacraments. By nurturing our spiritual connection to Christ, we can bear fruits of love, joy, and peace in our daily lives, becoming beacons of light in a world that longs for unity and authentic Christian witness.



This weekend is ShareLife Sunday!

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign.

Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Our parish goal this year is **\$290,500.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



C.W.L. Spring Tea

Your CWL is hosting a "Pretty in Pink" Tea on June 1st in the church hall. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. There will be live entertainment, door prizes, and fun. Don't miss it. Tickets are \$25 each and available after each Mass beginning next weekend or by calling Vivian Loveys at 705-719-2247. Dressing in pink clothing is encouraged.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Saturday April 27 th	5:00 pm † Fred Aloise Requested by: Maria Aloise
Sunday April 28 th	9:30 am For the People of the Parish 11:30 am For the special intentions of The Wycoco Family Requested by: Family
Tuesday April 30 th	7:00 pm † Arnold Ziegler Requested by: Aileen Campbell 7:00 pm For the special intentions of Larry & Mary Jane White Requested by: Family
Wednesday May 1 st	9:30 am † Dao Van Dieu Requested by: Thuy Le
Thursday May 2 nd	9:30 am † Lawrence Kim Requested by: Family
Friday May 3 rd	9:30 am † Frank & Marina Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior 9:30 am † Dao Van Dieu Requested by: Thuy Le 9:30 am † Theresa & Hank Abspoel Requested by: Family 9:30 am For the special intentions of Stan Gomboc Requested by: Larry & Mary Jane White



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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.

WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT

Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga on Saturday May 9, 2024
Theme: Attitude with Gratitude
Time: 8:30 am – 3:00pm Cost: \$45.00 includes lunch
For more information: contact: Jean 905-2785229 or office@qoa.ca

PRO-LIFE APOLOGETICS EVENING

The Knights of Columbus are excited to have Keturah Duhmaine, from CCB (The Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform), speaking on how we can compassionately & effectively respond to the challenges that are presented in our world today when faced with life issues. To be held at the KOC hall - 93 Berczy St, Barrie on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 7-9 p.m. Please contact Michael Mora, Life Director for the Knights of Columbus Council 1626, with any questions. mike_mora@hotmail.com

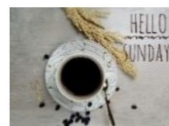


The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank both St. John Paul II School and St. Peter's Secondary School for holding such successful food drives! These food donations will have a significant impact on our community.

We continue to accept food donations in the hall, every Thursday from 2:00pm – 3:00pm.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday May 3rd 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 when Benediction will be given.



Please join us after the 9:30 am & 11:30 am Sunday Masses for fellowship & refreshments. Hosts are volunteers from the parish. Hope to

see you there!



REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

† Arnold Ziegler



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