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

Sunday 8:00am 9:30am & 11:30am

Monday & Tuesday 7:00pm Wednesday - Friday 9:30am

Saturday 5:00pm



CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00pm for lunch

EMBRACING THE GENEROSITY OF GOD

Dear St. John Vianney Parish Family,

As we gather today on this 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 28, 2024, we are reminded of the profound ways in which God provides for us, the ways we are called to share our blessings, and the significance of honouring our elders, particularly on this World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

In the first reading from 2 Kings 4:42-44, we encounter the prophet Elisha, who receives a gift of twenty barley loaves from a man from Baalshalisha. Despite its apparent insufficiency to feed a hundred men, Elisha, following God's command, instructs that it be given to the people. Miraculously, everyone eats and there are leftovers! This beautiful story illustrates the abundance of God's generosity and the power of faith in sharing what little we may have.

Psalm 145, declares, "The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness." As we reflect on the blessings in our lives, let us remember that generosity is not just about material wealth but also about sharing our time, love, and compassion.

In his letter to the Ephesians (4:1-6), St. Paul implores us to live in a manner worthy of our calling, emphasizing unity in the Spirit. "There is one body and one Spirit," he reminds us. This unity calls us to recognize the contributions of every member of our community, particularly our grandparents and the elderly, who are often the heart and soul of our families and parishes. Their wisdom, patience, and steadfast faith have been foundational to our own journeys and continue to guide us.

In the Gospel of John (6:1-15), we witness the miracle of the loaves and fishes, where Jesus takes what is offered, blesses it, and feeds the multitude. This event foreshadows the Eucharist, where Christ offers Himself for our nourishment. Just as the boy in the Gospel willingly shares his small lunch, we too are called to offer our gifts—no matter how meager they may seem—into the hands of Jesus, who can multiply them to bless others abundantly.

Today, as we celebrate the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, let us take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude to those who have loved us unconditionally and sacrificed so much for our well-being. Their stories and experiences are treasures that enrich our lives and our faith. They remind us of the importance of family and community, the value of patience, and the beauty of enduring love.

As St. John Paul II beautifully articulated, "Grandparents and Elderly are a living treasure for the family and society." Their legacy is one of faithfulness, resilience, and hope. Let us honour their sacrifices by listening to their stories, learning from their wisdom, and including them in our lives, for they have much to teach us about love, faith, and perseverance.

To all grandparents and elderly members of our parish, we extend our warmest wishes for blessings and good health. We are profoundly grateful for your presence among us, and we pray for those who may be struggling or suffering. May you feel the love of your families and the warmth of our parish community.

As we go forth from this celebration, let us embrace the call to generosity, to share what we have, and to honour those who have given us so much. May our lives reflect the love of Christ, who invites us to be one body in Him, serving one another in humility and joy.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Have you or someone you

know ever considered becoming a Catholic? If so, the RCIA process is for you. This process begins each fall and runs with weekly meetings up to and including the Easter season. For those who are not baptized and for those of other Christian denominations who are already baptized, the RCIA/RCIC (children ages 6 and up) process are a wonderful response to the Lord's call to His disciples to "Come and See". If you are interested in joining the RCIA/RCIC process for the fall of 2023 please call the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Paul Laplume, our Lay Pastoral Associate (705) 726-8007 Ext. 204.



5:00 pm For the People of the Parish Saturday July 27th

Sunday 8:00 am [⊕] Charlie Horvath July 28th Requested by: Agnes Perkic

> 9:30 am T Al Rasevych Requested by: Linda Lacasse

11:30 am For the living and deceased members of The Johansson Family Requested by: Betty Anne Schlumberger

Tuesday 7:00 pm **₽** Joe Bottone

July 30th Requested by: Les & Mary Watts

7:00 pm For the special intentions of

Serah & Tessa Antony Requested by: Family

Wednesday 9:30 am for the special intention of

July 31st The Mays Family

Requested by: Susan Mays

Thursday 9:30 am & Lawrence Kim August 1st Requested by: Family

9:30 am P Dorothy, Frank & Vickie Lubrick Friday August 2nd Requested by: Linda & Michelle Hodgins

> 9:30 am & Fred Aloise Requested by: Maria Aloise

9:30 am & Frank & Marina Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior

9:30 am & Dao Van Dieu Requested by: Thuy Le

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ANNUAL MASS FOR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto wish to invite all families within the

Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

In Barrie, the Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery 208 Sunnydale Road Barrie, ON Bishop Boissonneau will be the celebrant. In the event of rain, Mass will be celebrated at St. John Vianney Church

This year, the Feast of St. John Vianney falls on Sunday, August 4th. We will have the relic on display for anyone wishing to venerate after the Masses.



Pastoral Visits to the Homebound

If you know someone who is homebound and would like a periodic visit from one of our Priests, please visit the Welcome Desk

after Mass to share their information.



JOIN US AT KEMPENFEST!

Once again, this summer, your St. John Vianney Knights of Columbus are hosting The Oasis Patio at Kempenfest the weekend of August 2 – 5. This event is one of our major

fundraisers each year, proceeds from which support our charitable donations to the parish and many local charities. We are extending a special invitation to parishioners to join us on Friday, August 2 from 6:00 - 8:00 for "Friends and Family Knight." There will be live entertainment provided by local artist Kat Chabot, food, and refreshments, all on Barrie's beautiful waterfront. If you can't make it that night, drop in anytime during Kempenfest and say hello. For more information click on kempenfest.com/oasis-patio.



NEW MASS IN INNISFIL

Interested volunteers are welcome to attend a Planning Meeting which will take place on August 20th at 7:30pm, right after Mass.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday August 2nd 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.



Join us on Sunday, September 15th right after the 11:30am Mass, for our first ever PARISH FIESTA! There will be lots of food, fellowship and games for all ages. Stay tuned over the coming weeks

for more information.

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.

The parish office will be closed at noon on Fridays throughout the summer.

REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

† Larry White

A Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, August 15th -at 11:00am at St. John Vianney Church



Please pray for those who are sick:

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