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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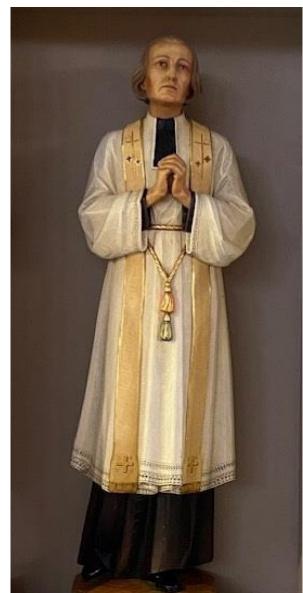
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OFFICE HOURS

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



Dear Beloved Parishioners,

Today, we gather joyfully to celebrate the Feast of St. John Vianney, our patron saint and a beacon of hope for all who seek holiness in their lives. Known as the Curé of Ars, St. John Vianney devoted his life to the pastoral care of his parishioners and to the sacrament of confession. His unwavering faith and remarkable dedication to God and His people remind us of the profound impact one individual can have on the lives of many.

Born in 1786 in Dardilly, France, St. John Vianney faced numerous challenges in his journey to becoming a priest, including struggles with academic studies and a deep longing for spiritual truth. Yet, through perseverance and a fervent love for God, he was ordained in 1815. As he took on the role of parish priest in the small village of Ars, he transformed the community through his humility, compassion, and tireless dedication to prayer. St. John Vianney's life was a testament to the power of grace and the importance of seeking God above all else.

One of his well-known quotes, "The priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you," encapsulates his life's mission. He recognized the call to serve others, leading them to a deeper relationship with Christ. As we reflect on his life, we are reminded of our own call to holiness. St. John Vianney teaches us that living a saintly life is not limited to extraordinary acts; rather, it is found in the daily choices we make to love, serve, and forgive. He encouraged us to "Love God, and you will be happy."

As we celebrate today, let us seek the intercession of St. John Vianney in our own lives. May we ask for his guidance in our spiritual journeys, for strength in our challenges, and for the grace to become instruments of God's love in the world. Through his intercession, may we cultivate a deeper prayer life and a greater commitment to the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and Reconciliation.

Moreover, as we honor our patron saint, let us extend our prayers to our priests, who, like St. John Vianney, dedicate their lives to shepherding the flock. We pray that they may be filled with the same zeal and compassion that characterized the life of our saintly patron. Let us also pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, that more men and women may respond generously to God's call, following in the footsteps of St. John Vianney.

Let us remember that holiness is within reach for each of us. Through prayer, acts of charity, and a sincere desire to grow in our faith, we can all strive for a saintly life. May the intercession of St. John Vianney inspire us to be the light of Christ in our families, our community, and the world.

The office will be closed on Monday, August 5th in observance of the civic holiday. There will be **NO** evening Mass.



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.



Saturday August 3 rd	5:00 pm 🕆 Robert McCahery Requested by: Barbara McCahery
Sunday August 4 th	8:00 am 🕆 Vendel Kmaus Requested by: Frank Kormik
	9:30 am & Nhon Thi Nguyen, & Yonne Ngoc Tran & ☆ Maria Thuy Mai Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families
	11:30 am For the People of the Parish
Monday August 5 th	NO MASS – CIVIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday August 6 th	7:00 pm ☆ Joe Bottone Requested by: Loretta Gismondi
	7:00 pm 🕆 Helen & Samuel Szilagyi Requested by: Linda & Michelle Hodgins
Wednesday August 7 th	9:30 am 🕆 Ed Henderson Requested by: Colette Henderson
Thursday August 8 th	9:30 am 🕆 Lawrence Kim Requested by: Family
Friday August 9 th	9:30 am 🕆 Joe Bottone Requested by: Nancy & Clarence Joncas
	9:30 am 🕆 Fred Aloise Requested by: Maria Aloise
	9:30 am 🕆 Paul Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior
	9:30 am 🕆 Isabel & Albino Requested by: Marianne Strong

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WELCOME KELLY LUVISOTTO -OUR NEW YOUTH MINISTER!

Kelly has been a parishioner here for 15 years and has called Barrie home for just as long. She and her husband Carlo will be celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary in September and have been blessed with two children, Maria and Giancarlo, and share their home with their beloved miniature golden doodle, Bobby.

In her spare time, Kelly enjoys gardening, walking, and spending time with friends and family.

Kelly has spent most of her career working with seniors and is now looking forward to working with youth to share in a spiritual journey through acts of love, service and prayer.



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



JOIN US AT KEMPENFEST!

This weekend, your St. John Viannev Knights of Columbus are hosting The Oasis Patio at Kempenfest. We will be

there until Monday, August 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.



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.



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 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

† Jeffrey Kritsch



Please pray for those who are sick:

PRAYER

Darryl Brown & Stan Gomboc

