

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
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
(and after our
Weekday Masses)

OFFICE HOURS

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

“MANIFESTING GOD’S GLORY THROUGH OUR LIVES”

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday’s readings invite us to witness the transformative power of God’s love and the ways in which He works through His people to reveal His glory. From Isaiah’s prophetic vision of God’s delight in His people, to St. Paul’s teaching on spiritual gifts, and the miraculous event at the wedding in Cana, the Scriptures remind us that God’s presence is ever active in our lives, calling us to share His love and joy with others.

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

The prophet Isaiah assures us of God’s unrelenting love for His people. “You shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give... for the Lord delights in you” (Isaiah 62:2-4). This passage speaks of a divine promise: God does not abandon His people but works tirelessly for their salvation. Israel, once seen as forsaken, is now crowned with dignity and joy, likened to a bride in whom God delights.

This is a reminder for us that no matter how forsaken or insignificant we may feel, God calls us to a new name, a renewed identity in His love. As St. Teresa of Avila said, *“What a great favor God does to those He places in the company of good people! Let us open our hearts to this love and trust in His transforming grace.”*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

St. Paul highlights the diversity of spiritual gifts within the community. “To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good” (1 Corinthians 12:7). These gifts—wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, and more—are not for personal glory but to build up the Body of Christ.

This reading challenges us to recognize our own gifts and those of others. Whether you are a teacher, caregiver, or someone who serves behind the scenes, your role is vital. In our parish, this diversity is evident in ministries like youth outreach, care for the homebound, and our children’s sacramental programs. Let us celebrate and use our gifts for God’s glory, knowing that even small acts of love can make a big impact.

Gospel: John 2:1-12

The wedding at Cana is the first of Jesus’ signs, revealing His glory and deep compassion for human needs. When the wine runs out, Mary intercedes, telling the servants, “Do whatever he tells you” (John 2:5). Jesus responds

with an abundance far beyond expectation—transforming water into the finest wine.

This miracle teaches us two profound truths. First, God is deeply concerned about the details of our lives, even the seemingly mundane. Second, transformation is possible when we entrust our needs to Him. Reflect on your own life: what “empty jars” do you bring to Jesus? Whether it’s strained relationships, worries about health, or the challenges of daily life, trust that He can fill them with His grace and joy.

As Mary showed at Cana, our faith and cooperation matter. St. Augustine reminds us, *“God who created you without you will not save you without you.”* Let us, like Mary, surrender to God’s will and invite Him into every aspect of our lives.

Practical Reflections for Our Lives

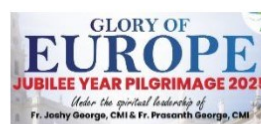
- 1. Delight in God’s Love:** Take time this week to reflect on how God delights in you. Spend a moment in prayer, thanking Him for the ways He calls you to new life.
- 2. Celebrate Your Gifts:** What gifts has the Holy Spirit given you? How can you use them to serve our parish and community? Consider joining or supporting a ministry.
- 3. Bring Your Needs to Jesus:** Think about a personal challenge or an area in your life where you need transformation. Bring this to God in prayer and trust in His providence.

A Call to Joy and Action

As a parish, let us follow Mary’s example by being attentive to the needs of others and bringing them to Jesus. Whether through acts of service, prayer, or support, we are called to manifest His love in our homes, workplaces, and community.

Let us also keep in mind the words of Pope Francis: *“Joy adapts and changes, but it always endures, even as a flicker of light born of our personal certainty that, when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved.”*

May this week be an opportunity for all of us to experience God’s delight and share His joy with others.



Join us for a 13-day European Pilgrimage from September 21st – October 3rd. We will be visiting Italy, Vatican City, Switzerland, France,

Spain and Portugal. The cost will be \$5880 for double occupancy (and extra fee of \$850 will be added for a single). Please call the parish office if you wish to put your name down.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday January 18 th	5:00 pm For the deceased members of the Inacio, Alves, Lemos, Harris & Parker Families Requested by: Sandy Lemos
Sunday January 19 th	8:00 am For the People of the Parish 9:30 am † Frank Spizzirri Requested by: Linda Lacasse 11:30 am † Antonio Nafarrete Nipal Requested by: Marlon Nafarrete
Monday January 20 th	7:00 pm † Raymond Stone Requested by: Vivian Stone
Tuesday January 21 st	7:00 pm † Cecilia Plazas Requested by: Family 7:00 pm † John, John John & Wayne Arsenault Requested by: Ursula Dempsey 7:00 pm For the special intentions of Jibin & Susan Jacob Requested by: Jibin & Susan Jacob
Wednesday January 22 nd	9:30 am † Fred Aloise Requested by: Maria Aloise
Thursday January 23 rd	9:30 am † Philip & Cecile Roy Requested by: Collette Henderson
Friday January 24 th	9:30 am † Karl Amm Requested by: Evelyn Herbert 9:30 am † Carlos Sousa Requested by: The Sousa Family 9:30 am † Jose Senra & Manuel Lopes Requested by: The Sousa Family 9:30 am † Yudhi Maldonado Requested by: Filomena Sousa



Jubilee of Youth 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for the pilgrimage of a lifetime! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23rd to August 5th, 2025. Please contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary.



It's time to start using your **2025 Envelopes**. Boxes are available for pickup in the vestibule. Please ensure you put your name and address on the first 3 envelopes beginning with January 1st, 2025. **(Please discard any 2024 envelopes)**



Dates for Regional Jubilee Mass Celebrations

With 2025 being the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Archdiocese of Toronto has designated some parishes as pilgrimage sites and all are invited to plan a visit as a parish or as an individual in the coming months.

There is a special Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by Bishop John A. Boissonneau on Thursday January 30 at 7 pm at St Mary's Parish in Barrie. All are invited to attend. Confessions will be available before Mass.

There is a special Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by Cardinal Leo on Tuesday February 4 at 7 pm at St Padre Pio's Parish in Woodbridge. All are invited to attend. Confessions will be available before Mass.



The Knights of Columbus of St. John Vianney Church Council # 10370 presents: *THE 2025 Council Basketball Free Throw Competition*

Saturday January 25th, 2025 at St. John Vianney Catholic School GYM at 9:30 a.m. 393 Innisfil Street, Barrie Ontario

- Girls and Boys 9 to 14 years old (age as of January 1st, 2025)
 - Players can register at St. John Vianney Catholic School between 9:30 and 9:40 a.m. (registration tables in front of the gym) on Saturday Jan. 25th, 2025
 - All Contestants must complete the registration / entry form (signed by their parents or guardian) id provide proof of age (birth certificate, health card or passport) Winners go onto the District finals in February
- Please contact Brother Kyle at kmtilley_1@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

WELCOME WEDNESDAY

Please 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 Masses for Fellowship. Volunteers are members of the parish. We hope to see you there!



Please pray for those who are sick:

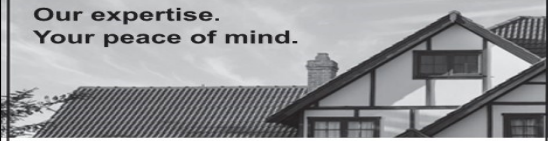
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