## 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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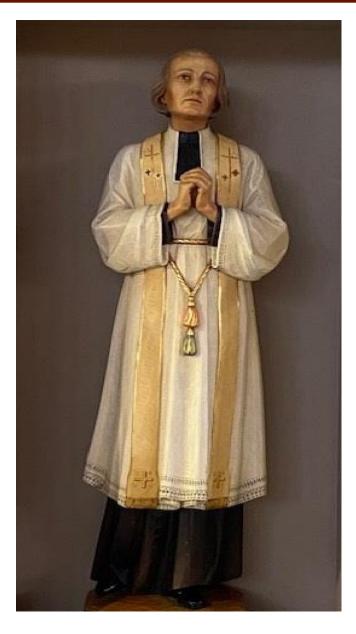
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# OF THE EUCHARIST

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



Our good and faithful servant has been called home to the Lord. May he rest in peace.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

"Mercy is the beating heart of the Gospel." - Pope Francis

As we gather on this Second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy, a day overflowing with promise, tenderness, and profound hope. Instituted by Saint John Paul II, this Sunday draws from the very heart of Christ's resurrection and offers us a compelling vision of a Church rooted in mercy, healing, and mission.

### **Scripture Reflections**

### First Reading - Acts 5.12-16

We witness the apostles, filled with the Holy Spirit, boldly continuing the healing mission of Christ. Miracles abound—not for spectacle, but to restore lives and communities. The Church is portrayed not as a closed institution but as a healing presence in the public square. This challenges us: Are our homes, workplaces, and parishes places where others find mercy, healing, and hope?

### Second Reading - Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

John, exiled for proclaiming the Gospel, sees the Risen Christ in glory—"the first and the last", whose voice is like "many waters." Jesus places His hand on John and says: "Do not be afraid." Even in isolation, suffering, or fear, Jesus is present, holding us, calling us to witness with courage. His mercy does not remove suffering, but transforms it into mission.

### Gospel - John 20.19-31

The Risen Jesus appears to His disciples in their fear and failure, speaking peace, not blame. He breathes the Holy Spirit upon them and commissions them to forgive. Thomas, who doubts, is not condemned but invited—"Put your finger here and see." The Gospel ends with a blessing for us all: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

### The Heart of Divine Mercy

"Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy." – Jesus to St. Faustina (Diary, 1146)

Divine Mercy is not a passive pardon. It is the active, relentless love of God seeking to restore what is broken. Mercy is not weakness—it is power. It calls us to honest confession, to bold forgiveness, and to daily compassion.

As a parish family, we are called to be a Divine Mercy Parish:

- A people who welcome the wounded, not judge them.
- A community who forgives one another, not harbors resentment.
- A Church who speaks peace to the anxious, not fear.
- A people who pray, "Jesus, I trust in You", even when life confuses us.

The late Pope Francis reminds us, "The Church is called to be a field hospital... to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful."

### **Three Invitations This Week**

- 1. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation Mercy flows most powerfully in Confession.
- 2. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet Especially at 3:00 PM, the Hour of Mercy.
- 3. Be a Messenger of Mercy Call someone lonely. Forgive someone difficult. Listen without judgment.

"Jesus, I trust in You."



St. John Vianney Catholic Women's League Presents The Spring Tea Saturday, May 31, 2025

The Tea runs from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m., doors open 11:30 a.m.

Location: St. John Vianney Parish Hall, 13 Baldwin

<u>Cost:</u> \$25/person - Non-refundable

Tickets will go on sale after all the Masses starting this weekend.



Saturday 5:00 pm **♣ Angelo Mogillo**April 26<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Kyle & Patti Tilley

Sunday 8:00 am **♣ Michael Paisley** April 27<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Claude Larin

9:30 am **⊕** For the People of the Parish

11:30 am 🕆 Maria Thuy Mai &

Joseph Hien Tran

Requested by: The Tran & Nguyen

**Families** 

Monday 7:00 pm **& Jose Sebastian**April 28<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Family

Tuesday 7:00 pm **♣ Angelo Mogillo**April 29<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Emily Furtado

Wednesday 9:30 am **♣ Fred Aloise**April 30<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Maria Aloise

Thursday 9:30 am **Philip & Cecile Roy**May 1<sup>st</sup> Requested by: Colette Henderson

Friday 9:30 am **Bob McParland**May 2<sup>nd</sup> Requested by: Jeanne Sibley

9:30 am **† Frank, Marina & Paul Prior** Requested by: Suzanne Prior

9:30 am **⊕ Henry Hahn Tran & ⊕ Anton Anh Nguyen** 

Requested by: The Tran & Nguyen

**Families** 

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### **WELCOME WEDNESDAY**

Welcome Wednesday resumes this week with a special guest speaker.

Media outlets are reporting 1 in 20 Canadians are choosing death at the hand of doctors. What is happening to end-of-life care in Canada?

Please come to hear about this issue from Father Tom Lynch, President of Priests for Life Canada, Lecturer in Moral Theology, and rector of St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Peterborough. Join us at **Welcome Wednesday, April 30 at 10:30 a.m.** for refreshments and Catholic insights into this alarming trend.



Please join us after the 9:30am & 11:30am Masses for Fellowship. This week's hosts are members of the parish.



Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



### Stretch, Pray, and Reflect

Join us for a peaceful evening of stretching, prayer, and reflection to renew both body and spirit. Open to youth in

grades 5-8, this event offers a chance to relax, connect with God, and leave feeling spiritually refreshed. Bring a fitness mat for added comfort. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Date: Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### **Edge Camp Registration is Now Open!**

Calling all students in **grades 5–8** — Edge Camp is coming, and registration is officially open! Don't miss out on this awesome experience. For more

details or to sign up, please contact Kelly, our Youth Minister.

Early Bird Registration closes April 30th,

so be sure to register soon to save your spot!

Stay tuned for more info on our Summer Church Camp happening in July!



The The CWL continues to collect old buttons, jewelry, and pickle, relish, and mayonnaise jar lids for the Tuesday Morning Crafts and the annual bazaar.

The Tuesday Morning Craft group will be working on crafts for the upcoming annual Spring Tea for the next few Tuesdays from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. This is open to all who wish to craft together.

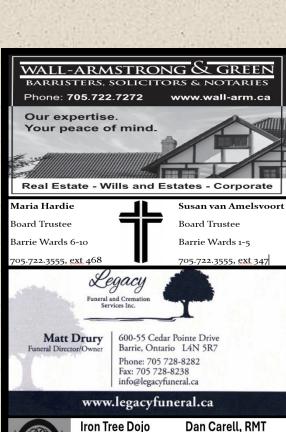
### REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

♥ Dorothy Breedon, ♥ Aileen Henry & ♥ Michael Paisley



### Please pray for those who are sick:

Cheryl Quinn, Emily Healy, Leonard Vanspall, Agnes, Berard Cooper, Prima Parent, Susan Jibin, Ron Collingbourne and Marg White-Jacobs



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