## 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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# 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)

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY)

On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, which we call Good Shepherd Sunday, the Church invites us to reflect deeply on the image of Christ as the Good Shepherd and to pray fervently for vocations—to the priesthood, the diaconate, religious life, consecrated life, and committed lay vocations.

This Sunday also marks a joyful moment in the life of the universal Church: we give thanks and pray for our new **Pope**, **Leo IV**. May God bless and guide him as he leads the Church with the heart of a shepherd, following in the footsteps of Christ, the Supreme Shepherd of souls.

## "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27)

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers us one of the most tender and powerful images in Scripture—the image of the shepherd who knows each sheep by name. We are not anonymous faces in a crowd to Jesus; we are beloved sons and daughters. He knows our struggles, our hopes, our wounds, and our dreams. He calls us by name.

The first reading from Acts shows us Paul and Barnabas, who courageously proclaim the Gospel despite rejection. They mirror the Good Shepherd, reaching out to the "sheep" in every land, undeterred by opposition. This reminds us that following Christ often means going against the grain of society, yet we do so with joy because we walk in His footsteps.

The second reading from Revelation lifts our eyes to the heavenly vision where a countless multitude, from every nation and tongue, stand before God's throne. "The Lamb will be their shepherd." What a paradox: the Lamb who was slain becomes the Shepherd who leads us to springs of living water and wipes away every tear. In times of sorrow, uncertainty, or fatigue, remember: the Good Shepherd never abandons His flock.

## Praying for Vocations: A Call for the Whole Church

Good Shepherd Sunday is designated worldwide as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Today we pray not only for more vocations, but for a deeper spirit of discernment among all the baptized. As Pope Benedict XVI once said: "Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary."

Vocations flourish when families, parishes, and communities become places where young people hear God's call and are encouraged to respond. Let us especially pray for the young people in our own parish—that they may open their hearts to God's invitation, whatever it may be.

#### The Voice of the Shepherd in Our Daily Lives

- . In prayer: making time for silence so we can listen.
  - In Scripture: letting God's word guide our decisions.
  - In the Sacraments: especially the Eucharist and Reconciliation, where Christ feeds and heals His flock.
  - In the needs of others: when we serve the poor, the lonely, the forgotten.

St. Augustine once beautifully said: "We are His flock; we belong to Him. We are purchased by His blood, and He feeds us with His body."

This is not abstract theology. It touches our lives every day: at work, in our families, in our joys and burdens. The Good Shepherd is present in the hospital room, at the kitchen table, in the classroom, at the bedside of the elderly, and in the heart of every person searching for meaning.

The Good Shepherd never ceases to walk with us, call us, and carry us through every valley. May we trust in His voice, follow where He leads, and become instruments of His love for others. "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." (Psalm 23:1)



The May CWL General Meeting will be held on Monday, May 12th in the Parish Hall, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

The first annual **Day With Mary** will take place on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 31 May 2025 - at Villanova College located at 2480 15<sup>th</sup> Sideroad in King City.

All are welcome to join this special occasion to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address and powerful witnessing's for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music, food and fellowship and I hope that you will consider joining us and the many others who love the Blessed Mother.

Registration is now open online at archtoronto.org/mary and the event is free to attend. Attendees may choose to take advantage of pre-ordering a BBQ lunch at time of registration for \$10 per meal, or can bring their own picnic lunch. The deadline to register is 19 May 2025.



Saturday 5:00 pm & **Denis & Lynne Schaub**May 10<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Scott & Anita Curran

Sunday 8:00 am **Ana Miriam De Montes**May 11<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Family

9:30 am **∜ Sam & Robyn Waskies** Requested by: Linda Lacasse

11:30 am **† Clara Franklin** Requested by: Esther Paolini

Monday 7:00 pm For the **living and deceased**May 12<sup>th</sup> members of the CWL

Tuesday 7:00 pm **P Ron Collingbourne**May 13<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Angie Purvis

7:00 pm 🕆 Carol Smith

Requested by: Mike & Maria Hardie

7:00 pm **1 Luca & Tome Brala** Requested by: Famiy

7:00 pm **⊕ Cheryl Quinn** Requested by: Angie Purvis

 $7:00\ pm$  For the special intentions of

Luigi Caputo

Requested by: The Fata Family

Wednesday 9:30 am **† Fred Aloise**May 14<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Maria Aloise

Thursday 9:30 am \$P For the deceased members of

May 15<sup>th</sup> Knights of Columbus

Friday 9:30 am **⊕ Andrew Famiglietti**May 16<sup>th</sup> Requested by: Kerry Famiglietti

9:30 am **† Gary Daigle** Requested by: Family

9:30 am **† Martha Silvia Gomez** Requested by: Lydia Harmazy

9:30 am For the special intentions of

**Angel Chisholm** Requested by: Self



St. John Vianney Catholic Women's

League Presents

The Spring TeaSaturday, May 31,

2025

The Tea runs from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.,

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

<u>Location</u>: St. John Vianney Parish Hall, 13 Baldwin Lane. <u>Cost:</u> \$25/person - Non-refundable

Tickets will be for sale after all the Masses



#### **PARISH FAMILY PHOTO DIRECTORY**

As part of our Jubilee Celebration, we invite you to participate in our free parish family photo directory program. Sign up sheets will be

available at the Welcome Desk before and after all the Masses starting the weekend of May 24th/25th. Your participation will not only ensure that you receive a free parish photo directory but will also help to create a snapshot of our parish community and help fellow parishioners get to know you. Portraits will be available for purchase at the time of your appointment.



#### **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.



Rosary lovers from our parish and St. Mary's will be gathering on May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am in our Parish Hall. All are welcome to join us for coffee and conversation.



### 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.

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 meets from 9:30am – 12:30om every Tuesday.



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

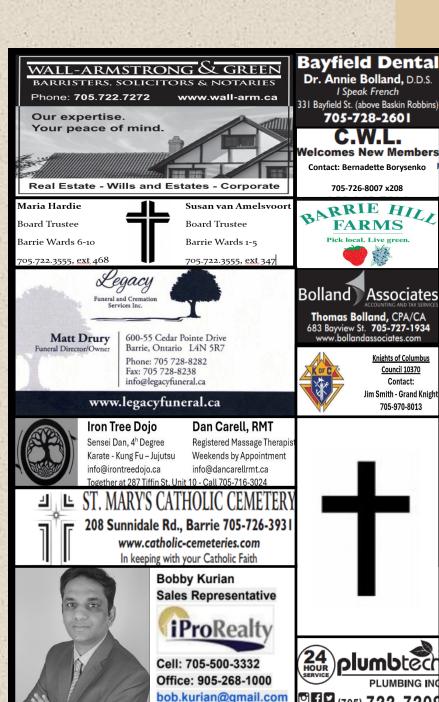
#### REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

🕆 Ignazio Craparotta



#### Please pray for those who are sick:

Bob Westhaver, Emily Healy, Leonard Vanspall, Agnes Berard Cooper and Prima Parent





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