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

LOVE THAT ABIDES, JOY THAT REMAINS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 25, 2024 (YEAR C)

In today's Gospel (John 14:23–29), Jesus speaks with quiet urgency: "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." These are not merely words of comfort—they are the blueprint of divine intimacy. Christ doesn't promise ease, but indwelling. He promises presence—His Spirit, abiding within.

Acts 15:1–2, 22–29 recounts the early Church wrestling with inclusion and tradition. In prayerful discernment, led by the Holy Spirit, the apostles affirm what is essential. "It has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us..." (v. 28) reflects a Church that listens deeply and moves forward in unity and freedom—not under law alone, but in grace.

Revelation 21:10–23 unveils a vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, radiant with the glory of God. There is no need for sun or moon, "for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb." The City of God is not built by human hands—it is gifted, luminous, and welcoming. This is the destiny of all who abide in the love of Christ.

St. Augustine once said, "He who loves brings God into himself, for God is love."

Today, we are reminded that love is not sentiment, but obedience rooted in trust. The commandments of Christ are not burdens—they are pathways into divine communion.

The Easter season reveals not only the risen Christ but the new life He gives. To love Jesus is to make space for the Trinity to dwell within us. As the Spirit prepares us for Pentecost, the Church calls us to be "living tabernacles"—radiating a joy that comes not from the world, but from God Himself. In our discernments, as in Acts, let the Spirit lead. In our longing, look to the City of God. And in our hearts, let love build the home where God delights to dwell.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." (John 14:27)

This is not a farewell—but a promise. Christ remains with us. Let us remain in Him.



REMINDER:

The Church in Canada expects:

At Holy Communion, remember to bow your head and then say "AMEN" out loud. Please, stand still, and take the host in your mouth immediately!

Do NOT walk away carrying the host.



Generous Families

Parents — share your children! Please encourage your boys and girls to become altar servers in our parish. Serving during Mass is a powerful way to participate and learn about his vital aspect of our faith. Families volunteer for specific mass times and commit to attend on certain days. Children who will be in grade 4 or older by next fall are needed especially at the 5 pm Saturday Mass, and the Sunday 8 am and 9:30 am Masses. It is a beautiful ministry!

Please fill in a Registration form at the Welcome Desk in the foyer.



<u>Mary in the Jubilee Year -</u> <u>Pilgrims of Hope</u>

As May, the month of Mary, blossoms around us, the Church invites us to walk with the Mother of God during

this Jubilee Year of 2025, as *Pilgrims of Hope*. Pope Francis writes in *Spes Non Confundit* #24: "Hope finds its supreme witness in the Mother of God." In Mary, we see that "hope is not naive optimism but a gift of grace amid the realities of life."

Mary's journey of hope began with her courageous "yes" at the Annunciation—a yes to God's plan, filled with mystery and risk. That same trust was renewed at the foot of the Cross, where, overwhelmed with grief, she "nonetheless renewed her 'yes' to God, never abandoning her hope and trust in Him." In that sorrow, "Mary became our Mother, the Mother of Hope."

As Stella Maris, our guiding star "amid the storms of life", Mary lights the way with quiet strength and unwavering faith. As we make our pilgrimage through this Jubilee of Hope, may her maternal presence lead us ever closer to Christ, the source of all mercy. With Mary, the Mother of Hope, may we walk with confidence toward the sacred threshold of renewal that this Holy Year opens before every pilgrim.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

As a *Pilgrim of Hope* in this Jubilee Year, what steps can we take to deepen our relationship with Christ, following Mary's example of courageous faith and unwavering trust?



Saturday 5:00 pm **Patrick LaPlante**May 24th Requested by: Alva LaPlante

Sunday 8:00 am For **the People of the Parish**

May 25th

9:30 am **⊕ Lou Spizzirri** Requested by: Linda Lacasse

11:30 am For the special intentions of

Michael Son

Requested by: The Son Family

Monday May 26th 7:00 pm **♣ Lydia Garcia** Requested by: Lydia Harmazy

7:00 pm **♣ Louis Barrie** Requested by: Family

Tuesday May 27th 7:00 pm ♥ Everdina Robinson

Requested by: Family

7:00 pm **⊕ John Emdin**

Requested by: Suzanne Emdin

7:00 pm & Cheryl Quinn

Requested by: St. Peter's SS Staff

7:00 pm & Ron Collingbourne

Requested by: St. Peter's SS Staff

Wednesday May 28th 9:30 am **† Douglas MacGuarrie** Requested by: Lydia Harmazy

Thursday May 29th 9:30 am **† Camilla Prior** Requested by: Suzanne Prior

Friday

9:30 am & Dan White

May 30th Requested by: Mary Perry-White

& Family

9:30 am **† Ron Collingbourne** Requested by: JJ Murphy Assembly

9:30 am & Lawrence Kim & Family

Requested by: Anna Kim

9:30 am **† Fred Aloise** Requested by: Maria Aloise

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Zumba Night - June 25 | 6:30-8:00 PM | \$15

Join us for a fun, adults-only **Zumba Night** to support our Youth Ministry! Cost is **\$15 per**

participant (cash only). Enjoy snacks for purchase, a bake table, and a silent auction. Tickets will be available for purchase after Mass in the church hall. We're also seeking baked goods and prize donations for our silent auction table. Please contact Kelly 705-726-8007 Ext. 205 if you'd like to contribute.

Let's dance for a great cause!



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

"Oh Canada! Please don your Canadiana themed outfit or hat and join the Catholic Women's League for the annual spring tea this coming Saturday as we host our Sovereign Tea. Enjoy a lovely Canadian themed luncheon complete with scones, finger sandwiches, desserts, tea and coffee, plus entertainment by a local Canadian musician. Tickets are \$25 each and will be on sale after each Mass this weekend only. Seating is limited. There will be a silent auction, door prizes, and best themed dress prize."



Please join us after the 9:30am & 11:30am Masses for Fellowship. This week's hosts are members of the St. Francis of Assisi school community.

WELCOME WEDNESDAY

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.

PARISH FAMILY PHOTO DIRECTORY

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 this weekend! Your participation will not only ensure that you receive a free parish photo directory but it will also help to create a snapshot of our parish community. Portraits will be available for purchase at the time of your appointment.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON MINI FOOD DRIVE

Please bring your donations to the Parish Hall on Thursday afternoon between 2:00pm -3:00pm.

Thank you for your support!

Today, there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

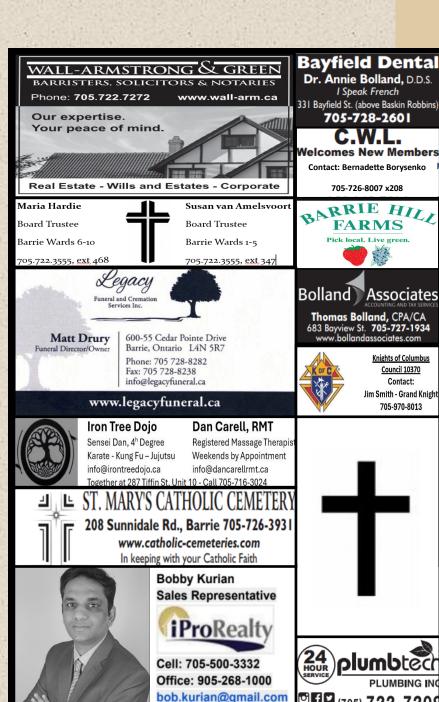
REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

† Anna Meszanos, † Maria Rita Saunders Natalie DiNardo,† Maria Rita Saunders & † Mario Moschella



Please pray for those who are sick:

Patrick O'Reilly & Bob Westhaver





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