

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 EUCCHARIST

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



LOVE STRONGER THAN DEATH: REMEMBERING, PRAYING, AND HOPING FOR OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*"Indeed, those who die in the Lord rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them."
(Revelation 14:13)*

This Sunday, as we gather in solemn prayer for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed; All Souls' Day, our hearts are drawn to the mystery of life, death, and eternal communion with God. Yesterday, the Church celebrated All Saints' Day, rejoicing in the countless souls who now behold the glory of God face to face. Today, we turn our gaze toward all the departed who still journey toward that fullness of light, those being purified in the merciful love of God.

The Communion of Saints: Heaven, Earth, and Purgatory United

The Church teaches that all the baptized, whether living or deceased, remain united in the Communion of Saints. This profound truth, rooted in Scripture and Tradition, reminds us that death does not sever our bonds of love. St. Paul affirms, "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together" (1 Corinthians 12:26).

All Souls' Day is an expression of that communion. We, the pilgrim Church on earth, lift our prayers for the Church suffering, those souls who, though saved, still undergo the final purification necessary to enter heaven. In the words of St. John Chrysostom, "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them."

Why We Pray for the Departed

Our faith tells us that prayer transcends time and space. When we pray for the departed, we participate in God's redemptive mercy. In 2 Maccabees 12:45, we read that Judas Maccabeus "made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." This passage has long guided the Church's conviction that our prayers and sacrifices can aid those who have gone before us.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 1032) reminds us: "From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God."

Praying for the dead is an act of love, a continuation of our care for them, trusting that God's mercy embraces every soul.

The Sacredness of Catholic Burial

In this time when society often overlooks the sacredness of death, the Church calls us to recover a Christian understanding of burial. The body, once a temple of the Holy Spirit, deserves reverent care even after death. The Order of Christian Funerals teaches that burial in consecrated ground is a sign of hope in the resurrection and an expression of faith in eternal life.

As followers of Christ, we are encouraged to plan ahead, to ensure that our own passing reflects our faith in the resurrection. A proper Catholic burial and funeral liturgy are not merely traditions, but profound acts of worship that proclaim, "Lord, for your faithful people life is changed, not ended."

Special Requiem Mass This Sunday

This Sunday, November 2, we will celebrate a Solemn Requiem Mass for all the faithful departed. In a special way, we will remember our parishioners and families who have lost loved ones during this past year. As part of our liturgy, we will light candles in their memory, a visible sign of the light of Christ that conquers all darkness.

After Mass, all are warmly invited to join us in the Parish Hall for a reception, a time of remembrance, consolation, and shared faith.

A Message of Hope for Our Times

In a world marked by uncertainty, fear, and loss, All Souls' Day speaks directly to the human heart. It reminds us that death is not the end, but the doorway to eternal life. As St. Augustine wrote, "We are pilgrims on this earth, but our homeland is in heaven."

Let us hold fast to that hope. Let us honor our departed loved ones not only with flowers and memories, but with Masses, prayers, and works of mercy offered in their name. Our faith assures us that these acts, united with Christ's sacrifice, bear fruit even beyond the grave.

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, by Your death and resurrection You have opened the gates of heaven. Grant eternal rest to all the faithful departed. May perpetual light shine upon them and may they rest in peace.

Amen.

May this All Souls' Day renew our faith in the Resurrection and deepen our compassion for those who have gone before us. In every prayer, in every candle lit, may we glimpse the promise of eternal life, where every tear will be wiped away, and love will never end.

In Christ's peace,

Fr. Joshy George

Pastor, St. John Vianney Parish

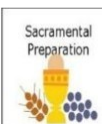
Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday November 1 st	5:00 pm † Gino Cariati Requested by: Family
	5:00 pm † Patrick O'Reilly Requested by: Family
Sunday November 2 nd	8:00 am For the People of the Parish
	9:30 am † Robert & Bryce Mercer Requested by: Barb McCahery
	11:30 am For the deceased members of the Pacursa & Sevilla Families and the special intentions of Hermosa Pacursa & Bob Tomlin Requested by: Hermosa Pacursa
Monday November 3 rd	7:00 pm † Joseph Hien Tran, † Anton Anh Nguyen and † Maria Thuy Mai Requested by: The Tran & Nguyen Families
Tuesday November 4 th	7:00 pm am For the special intentions of John & Shannon Barks Requested by: Scott & Anita Curran
Wednesday November 5 th	9:30 am † Fred Aloise Requested by: Maria Aloise
Thursday November 6 th	9:30 am † Lawrence Kim & Family Requested by: Anna Kim
Friday November 7 th	9:30 am † Frank, Marina & Paul Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior
	9:30 am † Bo Harmazy Requested by: Lydia Harmazy
	9:30 am † Davis Kim Requested by: Anna Kim
	9:30 am † John DiMaio Requested by: The Foglia Family
	9:30 am † Santina Versolato Requested by: Gianna Ruffieux
	9:30 am For the special intentions of Stephen Austin Requested by: Maureen Austin



WELCOME WEDNESDAY

Please join us at our Welcome Wednesday Drop-In for fun activities, plenty of conversation and refreshments. We meet every Wednesday from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.



The last day to register for **FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & RCIA** will be Sunday, November 2nd. Information on these sacramental programs can be found on our website.

Youth Ministry - November Gatherings

Holy Seeds (JK-Gr. 4)

(No registration required.)

Faith and fun for our youngest disciples.

📅 **Wed, Nov 12** | 🕒 6:30–7:30 PM

Growing in Grace (Gr. 5–8)

Games, discussion, and faith-building.

📅 **Fri, Nov 7 & 21** | 🕒 7:00–8:30 PM

Rooted Youth (Gr. 9–12)

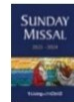
Faith, friendship, and reflection.

📅 **Sat, Nov 8 & 22** | 🕒 6:00–8:00 PM

PLEASE REGISTER ON THE PARISH WEBSITE



Welcome Michelle Ash – Our New Children's Liturgy Minister! Michelle has been involved in Children's Liturgy since she was 18 and served as a coordinator for 13 years after previous parish. She is excited to volunteer here and help children grow in their faith through God's Word. If you'd like to volunteer with this ministry, please contact Michelle at paedsrn@icloud.com



The **2025-2026 SUNDAY MISSALS FOR ADULTS** are available at the Welcome Desk in the vestibule following Mass at a cost of \$5.00.

SUNDAY MISSAL FOR YOUNG CATHOLICS 2025-2026 are on backorder and will hopefully be here soon.



All Souls Day

Join us on **Sunday November 2nd @ 3:00pm** for a **Solemn Requiem Mass** to commemorate all the faithful departed. There will be a reception in the parish hall to follow.

St John Vianney CWL 30th Annual Christmas Bazaar



The annual bazaar takes place on November 15th from 9 am to 2 pm. Come out and pick up 'one of a kind' gifts for Christmas, home baked goodies, fresh preserves, hand knit items and new to you treasures. Plan on enjoying a tasty lunch in our Christmas Lunch Room. This is a cash only event. We are excited to see you there!

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PLEASE PICK UP A FREE COPY OF THE CATHOLIC REGISTER FROM THE WELCOME DESK.



FELLOWSHIP

Join us after the 9:30am & 11:30am Masses for refreshments and the get to know your priests and fellow parishoners. This weeks host are member of the parish. We hope to see you there!

REMEMBRANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **Robert Hargrave, † Les Soos & † Roland Leal**



Please pray for those who are sick:
Maurice Keogh, Tony Perriera and Patricia Glachan

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