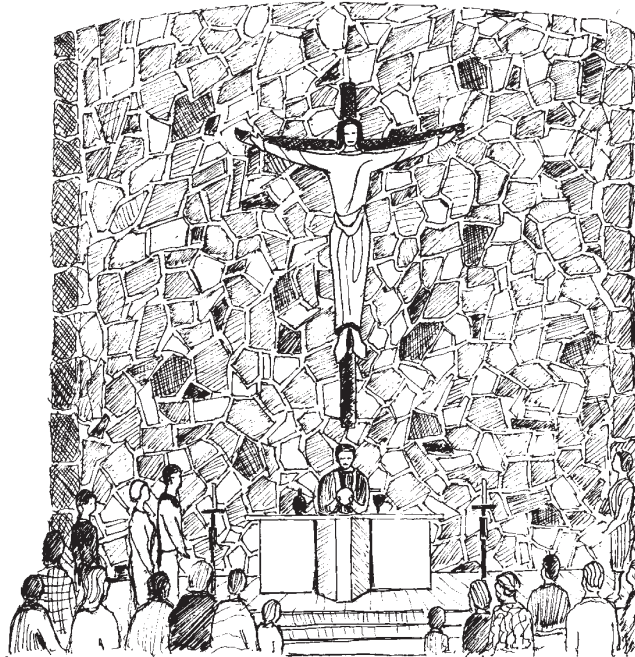


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in his mission of justice and peace, through the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God.

Parish Priests:

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha, C.M.I., Pastor
Fr. Saji Thomas, C.M.I., Associate Pastor

Celebration of the Eucharist

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. (Life Teen Mass)

Sunday at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday mass times

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday Adoration at 6:00 p.m., Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Celebration of Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. or any time by appointment.

Parish Information

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"EXPECT DELAYS: BE PATIENT"

You and I live today in a society that is incredibly fast-paced. Thanks to modern technology, things which might have once taken hours, days, weeks, and even months can now be done almost instantaneously. With the Internet, old-fashioned letters are disparaged as "snail mail." Vast information is placed at our fingertips, eliminating trips to the library. Banking and shopping can be done online. For news, we don't need to wait for the morning paper, because it's broadcast continuously on cable television. Microwaves heat our prepared meals in a matter of minutes. We're literally surrounded by time-saving technology! And for the most part, it's wonderfully beneficial. The down side, however, is that it can make us impatient, because we so seldom have to wait for anything anymore.

Today's gospel is intended for impatient people. It was initially addressed to those early Christians who were impatient about the second coming of Christ. Jesus' parable reminded them that no one knows when he will come again. Perhaps it will be tomorrow. Or maybe it won't happen for thousands of years. We just don't know! But the bottom line is, those early Christians needed to learn to wait, and to watch, with patience. Jesus' words speak to our need for patience too. They can serve to remind us that we need to be patient with God, with ourselves, and with others.

First, we need to have patience with God. It's easy for us get frustrated with God, especially in prayer. Sometimes we'll pray and pray for something, but it seems like all of our prayers go unanswered. At times like this, it's helpful to consider what Blessed Padre Pio once said: "God has promised us that he will answer every prayer, but he has not told us how or when." And remember, God sees things from the perspective of eternity, and we don't.

You and I also need to be patient with ourselves. In our faith life, we often want to be saints overnight. This is a noble aspiration, but it can get us in trouble. We might find ourselves confessing the same old sins that have plagued us for years. It might seem as if we're not making any headway at all, or that we're even sliding

backward. We can be tempted to give up and think that we're never going to get any better. But we need to remember three things. First, although we might want to give up on ourselves, God never gives up on us. Second, God never wants us to get discouraged, because he never wants us to lose hope. And life without hope is hell on earth! And third, God is more patient with us than we are with ourselves. God often stretches us very slowly, because he doesn't want us to snap and break.

Finally, we also need to be patient with others. If we aren't patient with God or ourselves, we're certainly not going to be patient with anyone else. But this type of patience is so critical, yet so often in short supply.

Some people are impatient with others because they're insecure. They don't like certain qualities in other people, it drives them nuts. Others are impatient because they're "know-it-alls;" it's "their way or the highway." Still others are "Fit-It" type folks. They try to improve other people and get frustrated when the expected results don't come about. Finally, lots of people are just plain stressed out by life's burdens. They end up with a short fuse, and take it out on others.

If you fit into any of these categories consider this: First, no one is perfect, and the devil likes to exploit other people's imperfections in our eyes so he can drive a wedge between us and them. Second, only God can truly heal or "fix" other people. We can help, but it's God who is the chief physician, and he heals in his own time and in his own way. Third, try a little tenderness. Gentle persuasion, built upon another's love and trust, is often far more effective than threats, coercion, or shooting from the hip. As St. Teresa of Avila once said, "For there is nothing annoying that that is not suffered easily by those who love one another." Fourth, that taking a deep breath and counting to ten thing? It works! But it works even better if you pray instead of count. And fifth: Practice, practice, practice! Patience is a virtue, which means it's both a gift we should pray for, and a habit we need to develop.



Moses was leading his people through the desert for 40 years. It seems, even in Biblical times men avoided asking for directions!

Mass for the Intentions Week

Sunday
August 7th

8:00 am † Joao Silva
Requested by: Maria Silva

8:00 am † Murray Ball
Requested by: Bev & Reg Archer

9:30 am † Giovanni Campanella
Requested by: His wife

Wednesday
August 10th

7:00 pm † Murray Ball
Requested by: Sandra DaSilva & Family and Doug Archer & Family



As you may already know, our Priests are from India and are of the Eastern Rite called Syro-Malabar Rite. On August 21st at 11:30 am, you will have the unique opportunity to experience a Holy Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite. The local Indian community will host fellowship after the 9:30 & 11:30 am Masses. We hope you will join us for this special day.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATE

I just wanted to give you all a little update as to what your St Vincent de Paul Society has been doing for the past several months. So far, we have served over 300 families/singles at the church, and have visited the homes of over 50 of our friends. We've also had the privilege of signing up over 55 girls and 40 boys for camp. This camp is graciously hosted by the Toronto Central Council. We continue to provide food and other forms of care to the less fortunate in our community. We would like to convey our heartfelt thanks for the generosity of your ongoing support. Without you, we would not be able to continue our mission: *"To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy."* Thank you again from all of us at St Vincent de Paul!

THE ANNUAL MASS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

St. Mary's Cemetery Mass will be held on Wednesday August 17 at 7:00 p.m. with Most Reverent Wayne Kirkpatrick as the celebrant. In the event of rain, the Mass will take place at Holy Spirit Parish.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR Kids Summer Camp...

Attention all elementary school students: We welcome you all to another exciting Summer Kids Camp. This year our camp runs from August 15 - 19. From 9 am to 3 pm daily for one week. The cost is only \$25 per child. All details can be found on the registration forms. Registration forms are available next to the youth bulletin board and or by visiting our website: www.stjohnvianney.ca

SACRAMENTS

New Confirmation Age

Parents, if your child will be in Gr. 7 next year, mark your calendars now. Last year our Archbishop Thomas Cardinal Collins set Grade 7 as the new norm for the age of reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration for the program will be at the church:

- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 7 PM OR
 - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 6 PM OR
 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 12:30 PM
- (Please Remember, A Photocopy of Your Child's Baptismal Certificate Is Needed to Register!)

For more information, see the bulletin board in the foyer or the parish website.

Gr. 2 First Communion

Parents, if your child will be in Gr. 2 in the fall, mark your calendar for the opportunity to welcome your child to Sacraments of Holy Communion and of Confession. Registration for the program will be at the church:

- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 AT 7 PM OR
- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 AT 6 PM OR
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 12:30 PM

Bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to reserve a family space. For more information, see the bulletin board in the foyer or the parish website.



Please pray for those who are sick in our community especially: Neave Alderson, Sophia Goulah, Carmen Sondhi, Michael McCormick, Barbara Durnin, Nancy Kearns, Joe Badali, Rose Marie D'Amelio, Stephenie Chalmers, Wilson Gasewicz, Lillian Pottage, Avery Maset & Carson Batters.

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