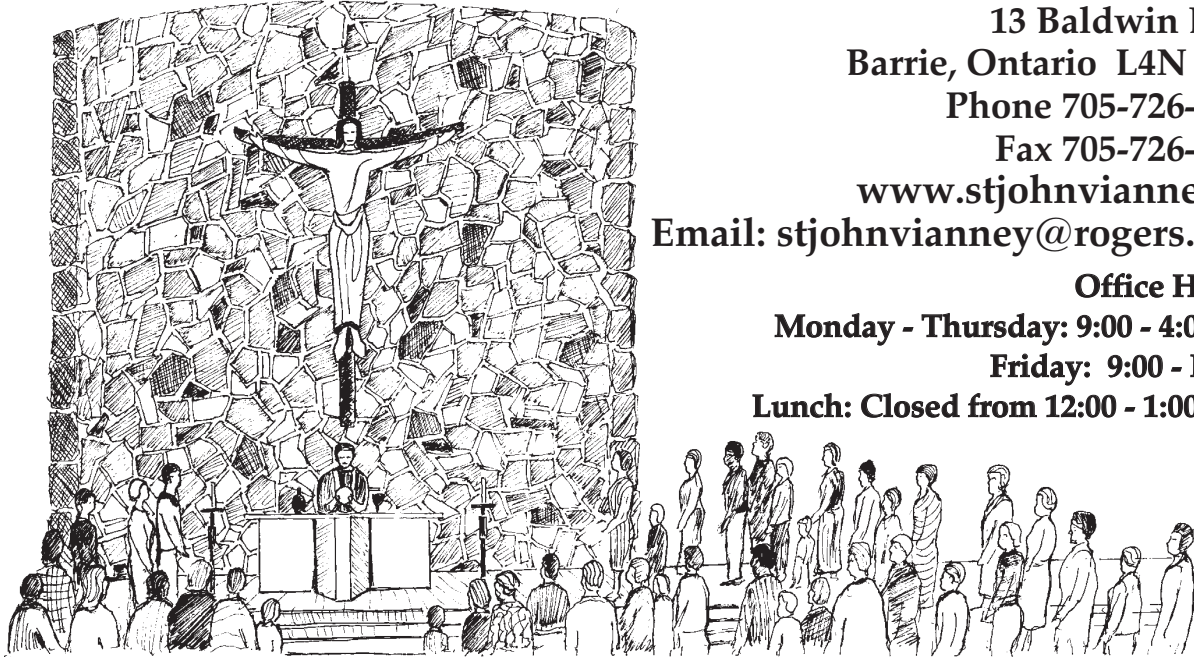


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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 pm

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Lunch: Closed from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

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. Joshy George, 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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Emergency due to death or serious illness - Press 6

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“What shall we do?”



“And the crowds asked him, ‘What then shall we do?’ John the Baptist answered them, ‘Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.’ John told the people in general that they should love their neighbors. They should show generosity and love – not that everyone should be equal and have an equal amount of money and things – but if someone was in need, and they had the ability to meet that need, they ought to meet that need.

John told them to be content with what they had. God is Sovereign over all things and He has given each one of us different things, different jobs, different gifts, and we ought to be joyful with that and thank God for that and be pleased for the way that God has chosen to show Himself and provide for us.

Overall, John was telling the people to love their neighbors – not to lie, not to cheat, not to embezzle, not to work the system to their benefit. Rather, John told them that they ought to love their neighbors, to seek the best for them, and for each person – no matter what God has given them – no matter what God has given us – to be satisfied – to truly give thanks to God for what we have received – and to learn how to steward that – how to manage that well, to the Glory of God.

Are you prepared to give sacrificially in thanksgiving during this Christmas season? The holidays are not an easy time of year for many individuals who struggle for the basic necessities in life; things that you and I may take for granted such as a warm home, the love and companionship of family and friends and hope for the future.

Every year, through their various ministries, St. John Vianney Church volunteers are involved in assisting families and individuals by providing hot meals, visits to the lonely and isolated, food assistance and vouchers to help make ends meet. Last year at Christmas we reached out to those less fortunate in Pelly Bay,

(Kugaarik), Nunavut and supported this community with our generous food donations.

This year, we are planning a new initiative. Please join us in helping make Christmas a little brighter for those less fortunate in our community. On December 20th St. John Vianney Church will be hosting a dinner/party for the individuals and families of *The David Busby Centre* and *The Shelter for Abused Women and Children*. On this evening, a hearty Christmas dinner with all the trimmings will be served along with the distribution of gifts, treats and much needed essentials. We are also pleased to have his Excellency, Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick join us in sharing our goodwill on this special occasion.

On Christmas Day, Christmas Brunch will be served by our volunteers at the David Busby Centre and The shelter for Abused Women and Children.

Please share your blessings with those less fortunate. Your generous donations made through the offertory over this weekend will be directed to support this Christmas cheer endeavor. We truly appreciate the assistance you have shown in the past, and hope that you are excited to extend your support to those in need in your own community this year.

(We appreciate that you may be willing and eager to share your time, but due to confidentiality and safety reasons we have trained volunteers to assist on the day of these events.)

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven.

~ *Matthew 5:16* ~



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

St. John Vianney Church:

December 17th 9:00 am – 10:00 am
& 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Holy Spirit Parish:

December 18th & 20th - 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
December 21st 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
December 22nd 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday Dec. 15th 5:00 pm † Anton Karin
Requested by: The Galic Family

5:00 pm † Hugh McCormack
Requested by: McCormack Family

Sunday Dec. 16th 9:30 am † Janet Wood
† Thomas Thinh Nguyen
Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families

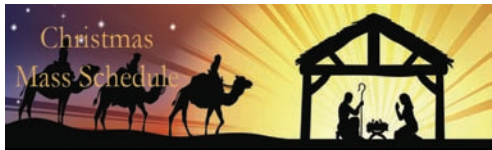
9:30 am for the special intentions of Marjorie Oliveira
Requested by: Family

9:30 am † Tina Rashid
Requested by: Paul Rashid & Family

11:30 am † Qara Maristella Clemente
Requested by: Leonarda & Ronald Clemente

Monday Dec. 17th 8:30 am † Marlene Hickling
Requested by: Merle & Mary Bodenham

Friday Dec. 21st 7:00 pm † Marina Prior
Requested by: Suzanne Prior



Monday December 24th
5:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 10:00 pm (no Midnight Mass)

Tuesday December 25th
9:30 am & 11:30 am

Monday December 31st
No Morning Mass
New Year's Eve 5:00 pm Vigil Mass,

Tuesday January 1st
New Year's Day
9:30 am & 11:30 am



Rite of Christian Initiation for Children
Baptism is a prerequisite for other Sacraments such as First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you wish your child in Grade 2 or older to be baptized or to be welcomed into the Roman Catholic Church (when baptized in another Christian church) please call the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Biju. The program begins on **Sunday, January 13th**.



CHRISTMAS DECORATING

St. John Vianney Church relies on the help and generosity of our parishioners every year to help decorate the church for Christmas. Everyone is invited and no experience is necessary.

Please join us on Sunday, December 23rd after the 11:30 am Mass. We hope to see you there!



2019 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2019 Envelopes are now available in the parish hall. To avoid any confusion, please do not use 2019 envelopes until the New Year. Please ensure you put your name and address on the first 3 envelopes beginning with January 1st 2019. All those with pre-authorized monthly giving are reminded to pick up envelopes as not all envelopes are covered by your pre-authorized giving. There are registrations pamphlets for parishioners wishing to begin pre-authorized monthly giving. **Thank you for your continued support!**

MADE FOR GREATNESS

A group has been established in our parish and the group is called "Made for Greatness: Men Becoming Holy Disciples of Christ" which runs every third Tuesday of the month in the Fr. Blackwell Room with Fr. Andrew Cyruk facilitating the group. The next meeting will be Tuesday December 18th at 7:00 pm. This is not a group aiming young men towards priestly discernment, but rather to help equip serious Catholic men to live their Christian faith in a committed way and make decisions of discernment throughout their lives



Please pray for those who are sick: Martin Matchett, William Kerr, Jake Cooper, John Bradbury, Monica Freer, Jennifer Durst, Mary Dickson,

Shirley Richard, Francois Pelletier, Len Smyth, Barbara Nadon, Nadia Allesio, Sherry Wyman, Graeme Sutherland, Ted Huston, Rigo Ongaro, Jean Boileau, Jo-Anne Ransome, & Marjorie Oliveira.

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