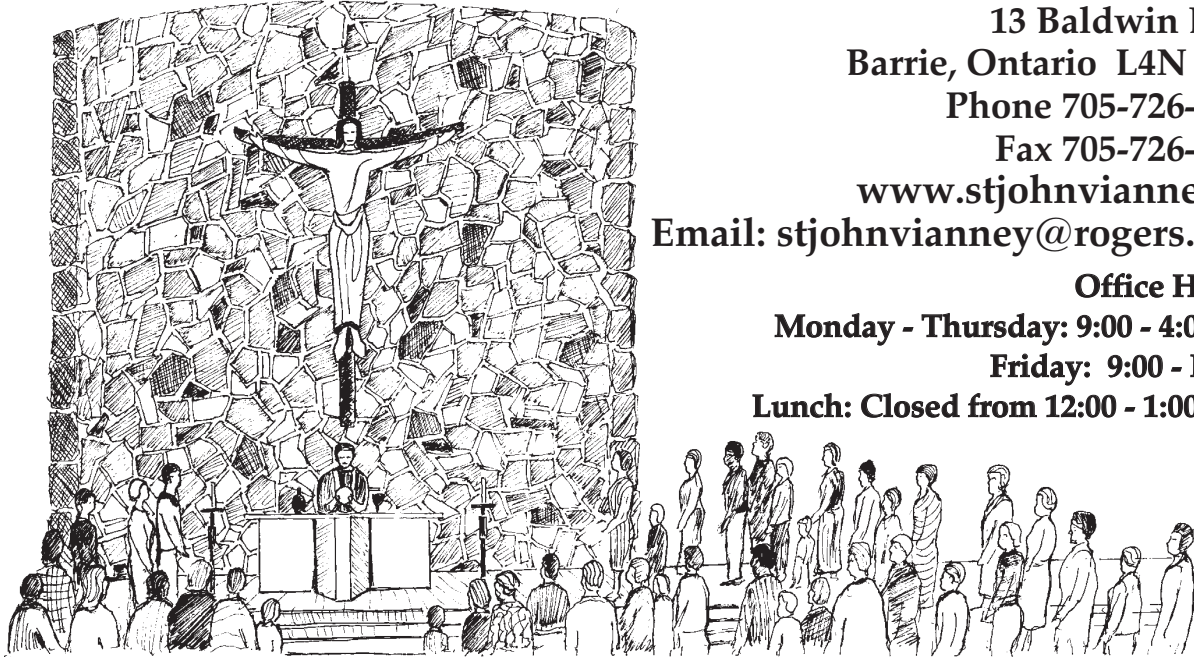


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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 - Noon

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.

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BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Baptism is such a happy occasion when a child's birth is publicly celebrated and cheered, and here they are received into a larger family, the family of the church. In

being received into our church-family, these children become our brothers and sisters in the Lord, sons and daughters of God, and temples of the Spirit. The joy of faith and hope is palpable, especially when the parents and godparents come up to the baptismal font and the water is poured over the head of the child by the celebrant. Each child is anointed before and after baptism with special *oil of catechumens* and the *oil of chrism*; the baptismal garment is placed on the child and the baptismal candle is lit. The whole occasion is uplifting in a way that is unique to that sacrament.

Of course, the majority of baptisms are of children, who are oblivious to what is happening around them. A big decision is being made on their behalf without their knowing anything about it. Yet, just as parents make all kinds of other big decisions for their children without consulting them, so they happily make this significant decision on their behalf.

There is a story in the gospels of parents bringing little children to Jesus. When the disciples tried to stop parents doing this, Jesus rebuked his disciples and said to them, 'let the children come to me and do not stop them, for to such as these the kingdom of God belongs.' Parents continue to bring their children to Jesus today whenever they present them for baptism, because in baptism they are being baptized into the person of Christ; they become members of his body; Jesus begins to live within them through the Spirit. When parents bring their children for baptism they are making a decision for them that is very much in keeping with the Lord's desire. 'Let the children come to me and do not stop them.'

Today we celebrate the feast of the baptism of Jesus. It is a good day to reflect on our own baptism and its significance for us. The day

of Jesus' baptism was a watershed in his life; it was a day of new beginning. On that day he began his public ministry during which he gave himself fully in the service of God and all of God's people. On that day Jesus launched forth as the one who came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. As he set out on that momentous journey for all of us, he was assured of God his Father's favour, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you', and he was empowered by the Holy Spirit, who descended upon him like a dove.

Though Jesus was baptized as an adult and we were baptized as children, our baptism was also a day of new beginning for us. On that day we were launched on the great adventure of becoming disciples of Jesus in our own time. On that day, we too were given an assurance of God's love and favour, and we too were empowered by the Holy Spirit for the journey ahead of us. On that day we were caught up into Jesus' own very special relationship with God and we became a member of Jesus' family of disciples, the church. It is a moment of grace that has the potential to shape our lives in a very fundamental way, in a way that is in keeping with God's purpose for our lives.

Baptism is the beginning of a lifelong call. We spend the rest of our lives trying to carry out what it calls us to be. Like Jesus himself, today we turn our ears again to hear that baptismal call.



Infant Baptism

Baptismal Preparation Kits (Registration Forms) are available at the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall or on the table in the church vestibule. Baptisms take place the last Sunday of the month (unless otherwise indicated). Attendance at a baptism preparation class is mandatory before baptism takes place. Please complete the registration form and call the parish office to arrange a meeting with the Pastor prior to attending the preparation class.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday Jan. 12th 5:00 pm For the special intentions of **Phyl Taylor**
Requested by: Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sunday Jan. 13th 9:30 am † **Jean Marie Pullen**
Requested by: Peter Fujiwara & Family

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

9:30 am † **Giuseppe DiGregorio**
Requested by: Family

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

11:30 am † **Wayne Arseneault**
Requested by: Ursula Dempsey

11:30 am † **Qara Maristella Clemente**
Requested by: Clemente Family

Tuesday Jan. 15th 8:30 am For the special intentions of **Christie White**
Requested by: Larry & Mary White

Wednesday Jan. 16th 7:00 pm For the special intentions of **Mary Kuntz**
Requested by: Larry & Mary Jane White & Family

***** THE SANCTITY OF LIFE MONUMENT

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce that our fundraising goal has been met and this project is now complete; thanks in large part to generous individual donations from Parishioners (nearly 50% of project cost) and Knights members (30% of project cost) combined with funds raised through regular Knights of Columbus activities, this project has been paid off in less than 2 years! Plans are now in the works for a plaque to be prominently displayed in the vestibule, recognizing individual donations of \$250 or more for those wishing to be included.

Thank you and congratulations to all!



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 this **Sunday, January 13th**.

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

It's not too late to register for these sacraments. Please visit our parish website at www.stjohnvianney.com for more information and registration packages or come to the parish office during regular business hours.

Knights of Columbus Council # 10370 Presents:
Basketball Free Throw Competition
Saturday January 26th, 2019
St. John Paul II School – 211 Ashford Drive



For Girls and Boys 9 to 14 years old (age as of January 1st, 2019)
Register at St. John Paul II School between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m.
All Contestants must complete the registration / entry form (signed by their parents or guardian) and provide proof of age (birth certificate, health card or passport)
Winners go onto the District finals in February
Ages 9-11 shoot from 12 foot line
Ages 12-14 shoot from the 15 foot line
Contact Brother Kyle Tilley at kmtalley_1@hotmail.com or (705) 722-0212



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Please pray for those who are sick:

Phyllis Taylor, Kevin Rector, Len Smyth, Rosa Alfonso, Martin Matchett, William Kerr, Monica Freer, Jennifer Durst, Mary Dickson, Shirley Richard, Francois Pelletier, Barbara Nadon, Nadia Allesio, Sherry Wyman, Graeme Sutherland, Ted Huston, Rigo Ongaro, Jean Boileau, and Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died recently:

† Guido Cromaz

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