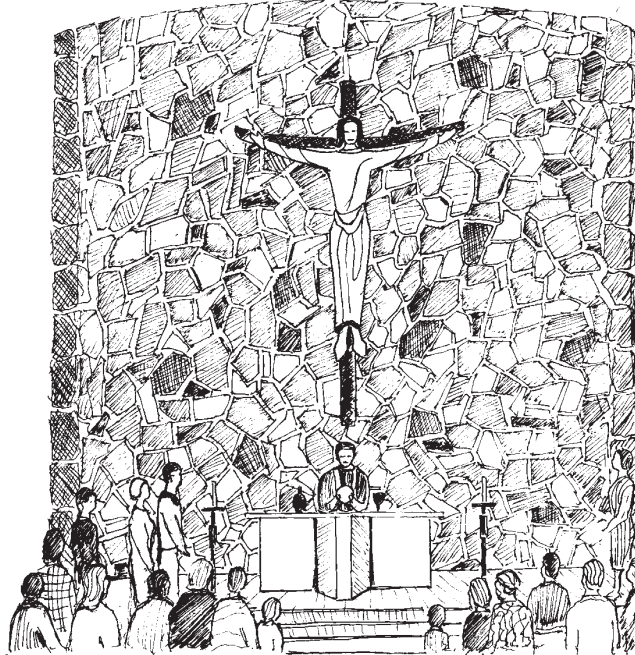


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in 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. Jose Koluthara, C.M.I., Associate 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

Mass Times - Press 9

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Emergency due to death or serious illness - Press 6

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Karen Price, Parish Secretary - 101

Bernadette Brock, Youth Minister - 104

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday January 23 rd	5:00 pm † Brian Bagnell Requested by: The Bagnell Family
Sunday January 24 th	9:30 am † Tina Rashid Requested by: The Rashid Family
Monday January 25 th	8:30 am † Loretta Wilson Requested by: John & Shannon Taylor
Thursday January 28 th	8:30 am For the special intentions of Andrea Koski & Family



His Mission & Our Mission

Today's Gospel, presenting Jesus' inaugural speech in the synagogue of Nazareth and outlining his theology of total liberation, marks a great moment in Jewish history. The Scripture readings for today focus our attention on the importance and liberating power of the Word of God as "sacramental," making God present in our midst. The readings challenge us to listen to the Word, accept it into our hearts, and then put it into practice as we live out our lives, liberating ourselves and others from all types of bondages.

Today's first reading, taken from Nehemiah and Luke's Gospel both describe a public reading of Sacred Scripture which challenged the hearers to make a "fresh beginning" with a new outlook. In the first reading, after rebuilding the Temple and restoring the city, Ezra was leading the people in a "Covenant renewal" ceremony by reading and interpreting the Law. The Second Reading, taken from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, reminds us that "Together we are Christ's Body, but each of us is a different part of it." This suggests that, as different parts of Christ's Body, we each have a share, as his instruments, in bringing the freeing and saving mission of Christ to our world in our times.

Today's Gospel describes how, on a Sabbath, Jesus stood before the people in the synagogue of his hometown, Nazareth, reading and interpreting

what Isaiah had prophesied about the Messiah and his mission. Jesus claimed that he was the One sent "to bring glad tidings to the poor, liberation to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and freedom for the oppressed"—language that reflects the Biblical year of Jubilee. To the great amazement and disbelief of his own townsmen, Jesus declared that Isaiah's prophecy was being fulfilled at that very moment "in their hearing," because the prophet was foretelling and describing Jesus' mission and ministry. Jesus' mission would be to give liberation to everyone who would listen to his "Good News," accept it and put it into practice. Luke reports that the initial reaction of the people was surprise at the power and eloquence of this son of their soil.

A woman in Nicaragua gets eleven cents for sewing together a pair of blue jeans that are sold by an American company for \$14.95. That company made \$566 million in profits on those jeans in one year. One out of every five Ugandan children will not live to age five because they do not have simple, primary health care. That is not just in Nicaragua. This is not just in Uganda. There are hurts to heal in our cities. There are poor people here. There are homeless people here. There are addicted people here. There are lonely people here. There are oppressed and captive people here. There are hurts that need to be healed! And you ask, "What can I do? Is there anything I can do? Can I be one who stands in the gap between the way things are and the way things can be? Can I be a bridge over which other people can travel in that journey from the way things are and the way things can be?"

As members of Christ's Mystical Body, we share in the freeing, saving mission of Jesus. But we are captives of sin. We need Christ to set us free. We are often blinded by our evil habits, addictions and need for financial security. Once we receive true liberation from Christ, we have to share it with those we encounter in our daily lives, families, neighborhoods, parishes and workplaces.

Today's Gospel tells us that Jesus performed miracles because he was filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us be ready to become Spirit-filled instruments of Christ's saving freedom.

Valentine's Dinner & Dance on February 13th



Join us for an evening of fun...come dine and dance those winter blahs away! The evening will feature the sounds of a local DJ and dinner by Triple G Catering both of whom catered our last dance. Menu will consist of carved Roast Beef/Herb Chicken dinner, roast potatoes, vegetables, salad, rolls and dessert. There will be prizes, raffle draw, music and more. Beer/Wine will be available for purchase. Cost of tickets are: \$25 per person and are available for purchase after all Masses in the parish hall. We hope to see you all there!

On Sunday, January 31, 2016, at St. Paul's Basilica, 3:00 p.m., there will be a special Mass to close the Jubilee Year for Consecrated Life. Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at the Mass in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.



Among the most serious crises facing our society today is the lack of true men. Women, children, the Church and the world are yearning for true men to setup and assist God in the mission of saving the world by saving souls. On March 19th, join Cardinal Collins, Matt Fradd and Deacon Harold in what is going to be an amazing day filled with prayer, fellowship and an opportunity to be emboldened and challenged in your faith. This is a full day retreat for men, 18 and over. The location is at the Canada Christian College, 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.

BAND OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS MEN'S CONFERENCE: March 19th



There will be a group from Barrie going to this event. If you are interested in going with the group, receiving a group rate and carpooling together, please see our poster on the back bulletin board or call the parish office.

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. **Upcoming Weekend: February 19-21, 2016** (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga)



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The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board is kicking-off a registration campaign for its elementary and high schools with radio and newspaper advertisements during the first week of February. We believe there is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. It is a blessing that the youngest members of our parish have the opportunity to grow in spirit and faith within a Catholic school community. Our Catholic schools offer distinct faith-filled learning experiences, with a combined focus on academic, spiritual, social and emotional growth. Together, our Catholic schools and our parish community will guide children in their ongoing growth in faith. To help parents and students get ready for Kindergarten, the board has developed a package, including a parent booklet, child's activity book and DVD. We encourage parents who are looking to register their child for Kindergarten to drop by their local Catholic school to pick up their copy of the package. Our Catholic high schools have a similar package called *Come Grow With Us*. You can also find all of the information at www.smcdsb.on.ca.

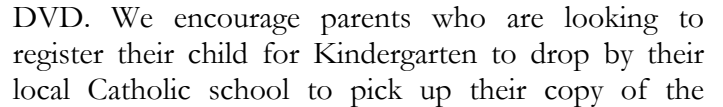
Supporting Your Parish Community?
Are you using donation envelopes to contribute to parish offertory? The tax receipt you receive each year will result in charitable income tax credits. Unfortunately many individuals and families do not use this annual tax credit which could result in a larger tax return. Offertory envelopes or Pre-Authorized Giving forms can be picked up at the Welcome Table in the church hall after Mass.

ALSO PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS AS NEW NUMBERS ARE ASSIGNED EACH YEAR AND THIS ONLY CREATE DIFFICULTY WHEN INPUTTING YOUR DONATIONS INTO THE COMPUTER.

Thank you for your support!

The **Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest** is being held at SJV Parish Hall on Saturday, Feb 6, 2016 from 10 am to noon. One student in grade 7 or 8 from each of the parish "feeder" schools is eligible. The contest is also open to parish students who attend public schools or are homeschooled. Please call Brenda Malone for details is 705-721-7624.

Please pray for those who are sick: Dyril Hayen, Gerald Borho, Janet Herbert, John McCorkell, Nick Brooks, Ernie Gilligan, Lillian Pottage, Michael Foster, Baby Ayah Stewart, Baby Avery Maset, & Carson Batters.






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