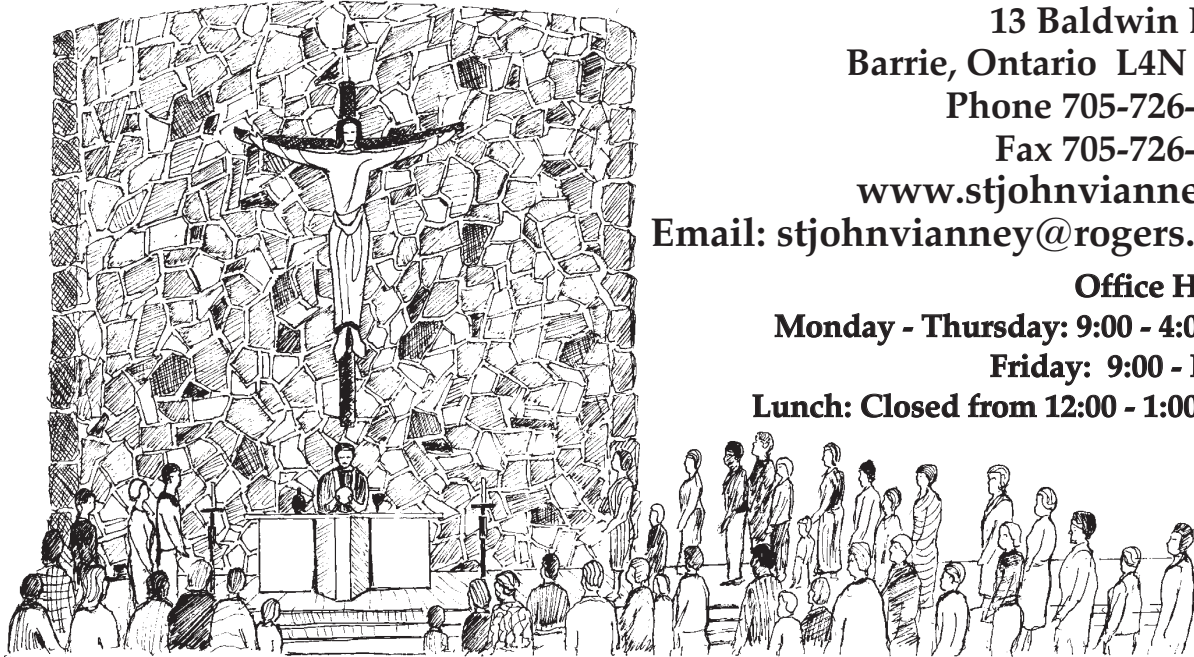


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Lunch: Closed from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

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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WORDS ABOUT "THE WORD"

The Scriptures for today focus our attention on the importance and power of the Word of God and its challenge for us today. The Word of God is called "sacramental," in the sense that when it is spoken, read or heard, God becomes present in our midst. For that to happen to us, we must listen to the Word, accept it into our hearts, and then put it into practice as we live out our lives.

The following excerpt on how to read the Bible more effectively comes from YOUCAT's Youth Bible of the Catholic Church.

The Bible is written for you. By reading it, you can let God's word become a part of your life. The following seven rules for reading can help that to happen.

Read the Bible...

1...and pray.

The Bible is Sacred Scripture. Therefore it is good to pray, before reading, to ask God for his Holy Spirit and, after reading, to thank him. How can you pray? Simply start with a short prayer: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Ps 119:105).

2...and allow yourself to be surprised.

The Bible is a book full of surprises. Even though you have heard many of the stories already, give them a second chance. And yourself, too! The Bible shows you the all-surpassing breadth and greatness of God.

3...and be glad

The Bible is a great love story with a happy ending: death does not have a chance. Life wins. You find this Good News again and again in all passages of the Bible. Look for it -- and be glad when you have found it.

4...and do it regularly.

The Bible is the book for your life. If you read from it every day, even if it is only a verse or a short paragraph, you may realize that the book does you a lot of good. Just as with sports and music: you make progress only by constant practice -- and once you have acquired a few skills, it is really fun.

5...and do not read too much.

The Bible is a gigantic treasure. You receive it as a free gift. You do not have to unpack it all right away. Read only as much as you can take in well. If something speaks to you in a special way, write it out for yourself and learn it by heart.

6...and allow yourself time.

The Bible is an ancient book that is eternally young and new. It is not supposed to be read from start to finish without a break. It is good to pause as you read. That way you can reflect and become aware of what God wants to say to you. And once you have read through the Bible, just start over again from the beginning. You will again discover completely different aspects of it.

7...and be patient.

The Bible is a book full of profound wisdom, but occasionally it seems puzzling and strange. You will not understand everything right away. Then, too, much can be understood only in terms of the time or the historical situation. Have patience with yourself and with the Bible. When something is not clear to you, then look at the context or at other passages that deal with the same subject. Your Bible gives you a lot of support. Still if you do not understand remember what Corry Ten Boom said, "Don't worry about what you do not understand... Worry about what you do understand in the Bible but do not live by."

We need to make Bible reading and study a part of our daily Christian life. Bible reading enables us to know Jesus more and to love him better. That is why we should set apart a time to read a part of the Bible. We need to read the Scriptures as books inspired by God that teach us about God and how we should live our lives. We also need to ask for God's grace to interpret what we read. God give us inspiration so that we may understand the text and apply its lessons fruitfully to our lives.

The Catholic Prayer Bible –Lectio Divina Edition (NRSV) which is a large print prayer bible with passage explanations and reflection questions will be available at the Welcome Table soon. The cost is \$35 each and an announcement will be made when it becomes available for purchase.

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 **Mass Intentions for the Week**

- Saturday
Jan. 26th 5:00 pm for the special intentions of **Tara May**
Requested by: Celestina May
- Sunday
Jan. 27th 9:30 am † **Jim McKinnon**
Requested by: Nail Family
- 9:30 am † **Mary Grace**
Requested by: Joe Collins
- 9:30 am † **Tina Rashid**
Requested by: Paul Rashid & Family
- 9:30 am for the special intentions of **Marjorie Oliveira**
Requested by: Family
- Monday
Jan. 28th 8:30 am for the special intentions of **Dolores D'Souza**
Requested by: D. & J. D'Souza & Family
- Wed.
Jan. 30 7:00 pm † **Norma & Eduardo Saez**
Requested by: Family
- Friday
Feb. 1st 8:30 am † **Marina Prior**
Requested by: Suzanne Prior
- Saturday
Feb. 2nd 8:30 am † **Marcella & Denis McCarthy**
Requested by: Suzanne Prior



This is a reminder to First Communion Parents of Group B (Holy Cross and St. Michael the Archangel Schools) who are registered to receive their First Communion on March 2 & 3 that your classes begin Tuesday January 29th at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.



ADULTS: Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada, the 27th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally! The theme of this year's rally is "Hope in the Midst of Suffering" (Romans 5:3-4). Saturday, March 3rd, 2019, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W. Inspiring talks and a high Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins.

YOUTH: There will be a separate youth event (12-19 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. The youth mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated Fr. Mark Goring. For Tickets: \$25 for adults and \$15 for the youth. Add \$15. For HEATED BUS that meets in Parish parking lot at 7am and returns approximately 7:30pm. Call Berna at Parish Office 705-726-8007 X103 for your tickets.



We welcome all families of St. John Vianney to join us for a fun night out. Friday, February 22, from 6:30-9pm we have a special price of \$25.00/person at X-PLAY for 1 hr of lazer tag and 1 hr of trampolining which includes water bottles and trampoline socks. Just show up and say: "I am a St. John Vianney Youth"! Please arrive at 6:30 to give time to fill out waivers.



All are welcome to a Family Movie Night on Saturday, February 2nd, after the 5pm mass, here at St John Vianney Parish. The Featuring movie is "I CAN ONLY IMAGINE". We will start the movie after pizza fellowship and serve popcorn and snacks during the movie.



Please pray for those who are sick: Phyllis

Taylor, Kevin Rector, Len Smyth, Martin Matchett, Shirley Richard, and Marjorie Oliveira. *And for those who have died recently:* † Fred Tomlinson

As Pastor of St. John Vianney Church, I would like to thank you for your generous support throughout 2018. Careful consideration is given for the responsible distribution of your donations. We continue to fund programs and events that are beneficial to the parishioners and the community at large.

We have published a copy of the 2018 Profit and Loss statement which is available at the back of the church. Please take a copy home to review and if you have any questions, please feel free to ask me or a member of your parish Finance Council.

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha, CMI

2018 Tax Receipts will be available for pick up in the hall after Mass next weekend.

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