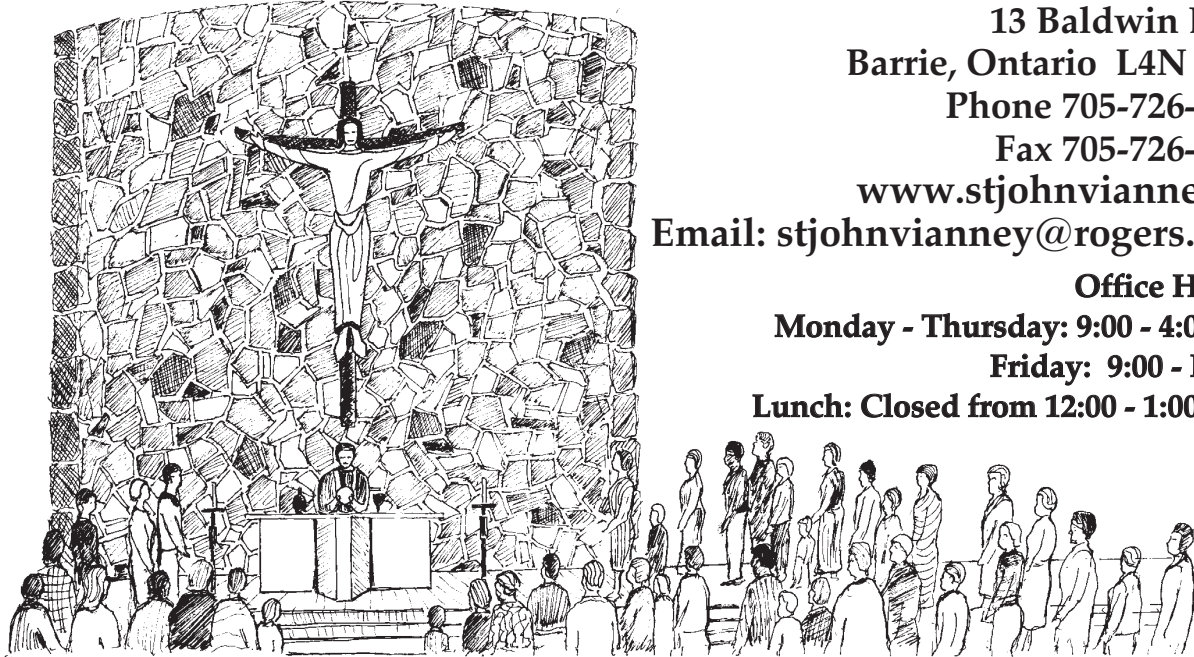


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in 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
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Fr. Joshy George, In Residence

Celebration of the Eucharist

Sunday Eucharist

Weekday mass times

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

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

Sunday at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 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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Hospitality of Heart

Openness to life! Hospitality of heart – These are some of the themes that suggest themselves through the readings of this Sunday. The woman in the first reading was open to life; she welcomed the prophet into her home, was aware that he was a holy man of God, and set about facilitating his mission. In the gospel we, as disciples of Jesus, listen to his words addressed directly to us telling us how we are to open our lives to him, give him pride of place over family and friends even to the point of bearing his cross. Our welcome is to be whole-hearted, and if I am in any doubt as to where I am to exercise this total acceptance of Christ in my life I have only to turn to my neighbor. “He who welcomes you, welcomes me” Nothing could be clearer. Christ is all around me. He is present in my home, at work, in those who pass me in the street. He is present in myself.

In today’s second reading St Paul adds his voice to the celebration of Christian life! Through baptism we have entered into the great life of the resurrection. No wonder we cry out with the psalmist in joy; “I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.”

The beautiful story of the woman of Shunem illustrates the fact that God’s word finds acceptance in people’s lives through the instrumentality of human agents. Elisha may seem to be an itinerant preacher. It is the woman who detects his mission and makes room for him in her house. Likewise, many a parent makes space for God in their family life by helping a child learn the words of a prayer and by showing respect for the things of God. The gospel’s emphasis on hospitality is presented in the form of a strange equation: “He who welcomes you, welcomes me.”

We may expect, then, that Christ will come to our doors in many disguises and almost always at the wrong time! He may not even be wearing clerical garb! Rather, I may find him hidden in the stranger, the outcast of society, the neighbor, the child needing attention, the sick person.

There are many delightful fairytales of princesses hidden in rags and of princes imprisoned in toads. Every child’s eyes light up in wonder at the moment

when the disguise is dropped and the truth is revealed. Openness to wonder, to the mystery of Christ hidden in the other: these qualities are often sadly missing in my life. The “cup of cold water” is proverbially quoted as a somewhat dubious sign of Christian charity. Perhaps this is because it does not cost much in rain-drenched climates! In a hot, dusty climate, however, a drink of cold water can be a life-saver. The attitude of thoughtfulness, the lack of self-absorption; these would seem to underline the Christian attitude towards others. It is not what is given that counts but the heart with which it is given.

A legalistic, mathematical mind tends to measure the bare requirement due to the other. This does not make for a happy environment. No wonder that a sub-theme of today’s liturgy is joy: “Happy the people who find their joy every day in your name” we read in the psalm. The open-hearted person is always happy; there is much joy in giving. Cups of cold water may be translated into a letter, a phone-call, a smile, a word of appreciation. They cost little but how the world today is crying out for cups of cold water! Christ is often wounded and struggling in my neighbor.

The image that could be explored by the homilist pertaining to the theme of hospitality is that of making a space for God in our lives. The woman of Shunem had a room built on the roof of her house for the prophet so that he might be rested and refreshed for his mission throughout Israel. She made physical space for the holy man of God.

Christianity calls on us to make space for Christ and his message in our lives. Where do I find this space? Is it my time? A small part of my earnings to support the preaching of God’s word? Or is it a quiet space in my life where I can turn to welcome the indwelling of Christ in my heart? Mary is the model of Christian hospitality: she made a space in her heart for the Word just as she made a space in her womb for his body. She pondered his words in her heart so that gradually her whole life was filled with his presence.



Saturday
July 1st

8:30 am For the special intentions of **Maria Thuy Mai & Maria Khuyen Hoang**
Requested by: Tran & Nguyen Families

5:00 pm For the special intentions of **Marg Nixon**
Requested by: Larry White & Family

Sunday
July 2nd

9:30 am For the special intentions of **Betty Anne Elliott**
Requested by: Shirley Kenny

9:30 am For the special intentions of **Judy Schoeneick**
Requested by: Wendy Gordanier

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

11:30 am For the special intentions of **Judy Schoeneick**
Requested by: St. Vincent de Paul Society Members

11:30 am For the special intentions of **Trudy Schoutsen**
Requested by: Anonymous

11:30 am For the special intentions of **Rose Nduanya**
Requested by: Family

Tuesday
July 4th

8:30 am † **Nicasio Librodo**
Requested by: Lito & Ralyn Mitra

Friday
July 7th

8:30 am † **Marina Prior**
Requested by: Suzanne Prior



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO OUR CHURCH!

Warmest of greetings are extended to our summer visitors as well as any new parishioners of the parish. We hope you feel welcome and at home at St. John Vianney. New parishioners are invited to register by filling out a parish registration form available in the church vestibule or visit us in the Parish Office. Offertory Envelopes and Pre-Authorized Giving forms are also available.



LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR 2017 SIV-KIDS CAMP

You won't want to miss this opportunity for your kids to be a part of this great week of fun. This Catholic Day Camp for elementary school children will run daily from 9 am-3 pm through the week of July 10-14, 2017. The cost is \$40 per child and is limited to 125 registrants. Registration forms can be found on our website, the youth bulletin board, welcome table, and parish office. Deadline to register is July 4th.

It's a Super Hero camp. We all know how Super Hero's solve mysteries. Join us as we solve and reveal our true identity in Christ.

THE ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

St. Mary's Cemetery Mass will be held on **Wednesday, August 16th at 7:00 p.m.** with the main celebrant Most Reverend Wayne Kirkpatrick presiding. In the event of rain, the Mass will take place at St. Mary's Church.

FIRST FRIDAY

July 7th is the first Friday of the month. First Fridays have traditionally been associated with devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Sacrament. To appropriately observe First Friday there will be Eucharistic adoration following the 8:30 am Mass until 10:00 a.m.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Have you or someone you know ever considered becoming a Catholic? If so, the RCIA process is for you. This process begins each fall and runs with weekly meetings up to and including the Easter season. For those who are not baptized and for those of other Christian denominations who are already baptized, the RCIA/RCIC (children ages 7 and up) process is a wonderful response to the Lord's call to His disciples to "come and see". If you are interested in joining the RCIA/RCIC process for the fall of 2017 please call the office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Biju. (705) 726-8007

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:
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