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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.

Parish Information

Baptismal Information - Press 7

Parish Outreach for Seniors - Press 103

Emergency due to death or serious illness - Press 6

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The Family of God

We are often misunderstood in this life. Often as believers seeking to serve God, we are misunderstood. Sometimes we are even opposed by well-intentioned people. Now, when those people are member of our family, it makes it increasingly difficult. Such was the case with Jesus. His ministry had stirred up the ire of the religious establishment. Radical things were being done, like healing the sick and casting out demons. Traditions of the elders were being openly flouted and Jesus was encountering serious opposition.

He had come back to the house in Capernaum which offered him hospitality. Concerned for His welfare and not understanding His ministry, His mother, brothers and sister had come to take Him home. They thought He was crazy. They didn't understand. In effect, they had come to the point of opposing His ministry. Think of it: Jesus' own family standing against Him.

Now, we must remember that the average Jew respected the religious establishment which the scribes and Pharisees represented. And no doubt, Jesus' family did as well. So they were naturally concerned about His behavior, and they were coming to try to bring Him back home. No doubt, this was motivated by their love for Him. And this must have been difficult for Jesus. He could deal with the impure motives of the scribes. But here, His own family, in essence, was opposing Him out of their misguided love for Him. How would Jesus handle this?

He handled it with sensitivity. And in doing so, taught us a valuable truth concerning the fellowship of believers called the Church. Following Jesus is no guarantee that those who love us will understand. Sometimes, our own families can stand against us when we make a full-on commitment to follow Jesus. This is especially true when we begin to follow through on that commitment by our actions. It happened to Jesus; and it happens to us as well.

We see in this passage of Scripture a new reality being presented to us. While our natural families may oppose us, there is a larger, spiritual family to which we belong. We see Jesus introducing to His disciples the concept of the family of God. Let us consider two important ideas upon which the light of God's truth may shine. Firstly, the Church as family; and secondly, the family as Church.

Jesus said, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" Jesus looked around Him at his disciples. There was Matthew, a former tax collector. There was Simon the Zealot. There were fishermen who educationally stood

in marked contrast to the doctors of the law. But this diverse group had one thing in common. They had left their former way of life to follow Jesus. Looking at them Jesus said, "This is my family." "For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

Those who follow the Lord are part of the family of God. We are His family. Jesus calls up the imagery of the loyalty, caring and commitment of the family to describe the relationship we should have toward one another in the body of Christ. This is something that the church needs to be reminded of. By using the illustration of family life to typify the Church, Jesus also set the tone for our relationships with our own natural families. In all our dealings with one another, we must esteem one another as brother and sister. We must seek to give honor to one another, liberating one another, to be all we can be in Christ. And above all, we must realize that only as we draw near to Him can we ever draw near to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Whether they be in the assembly or in our homes as husband or wife, son or daughter, mother or father, or natural brother or sister.

Our families should be like the Church. The family is to be the Church in miniature. Our families ought to be reflective of the love of God as we love Him together. As we draw close to Him as individuals, He draws us closer to one another. As His love liberates us to be who we can be, so we should liberate one another. All that we are required to do toward one another in the body of Christ, the Church, we are required to do in our own homes as well. This is a vitally important truth.

The "family of God" has so much more to offer. A network of relationships created by common obedience to the will of God, melted together by love at each intersection, and motivated to a ministry of service, is Jesus' idea of His family. Jesus has established His relationships as the hero of the masses, leader of the disciples, enemy of Satan, and member of the family of God. Each identity adds credence to Mark's argument that He is Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The masses acclaim Him, the disciples follow Him, Satan abhors Him, and all who obey Him become His sisters and brothers.



MARYGROVE CAMP COLLECTION

Marygrove Camp provides a camping experience for children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to enjoy such an adventure. Please give generously this weekend to the Marygrove Camp Collection. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.



Masses For The Week

- Sunday
June 10th 9:30 am For the special intentions of
Pierina Pistillo
Requested by: Florence Daigle
- 9:30 am For the special intentions of
Marjorie Oliveira
Requested by: Family
- 9:30 am † **Francis Nguyen Huu Truy &
† Phero Buu Nguyen**
Requested by Tran &
Nguyen Families
- 11:30 am † **Keith Paradis**
Requested by: Tony Paradis
- Monday
June 11th 8:30 am † **Bob McParland**
Requested by: Family
- Tuesday
June 12th 8:30 am † **Jack Biggers**
Requested by: Biggers Family
- 8:30 am † **Gregory Prior**
Requested by: Suzanne Prior
- Thursday
June 14th 8:30 am For the special intentions of
Josephine & Roger Lamothe
Requested by: Annie & Oscar



Many thanks to our many parish volunteers who assisted our young parishioners with preparation for the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation for this sacramental

year. We could not have done it without you! Also thanks to the musicians and liturgical ministers who assisted during the various Masses, and our parishioners for your patience while experiencing higher volume in the parking lots and pews.

Guardians of the Galaxy Summer



Camp: This year's Summer day camp will be themed *God's Guardians of the Galaxy*. The dates this year are August

13-17th. There are forms in the folder beside the Youth Ministry board or available on the parish website. Note **deadline for applications is July 1** due to the need to order materials and T-Shirts. If you and/or your teen are interested in volunteering, contact Denis Nugent (info below). Email, text or call Denis Nugent if you need help with youth ministry applications/information.

Dnugent71@gmail.com or Call/text (705)817-4636



EARLY CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE:

Do you want to connect with like-minded parents in a welcoming

and supportive environment? Do you want to learn the best in child development and how to teach the Faith? Do you want to deepen your relationship with your child? Then, join us for Early Catholic Family Life (ECFL)! At ECFL, we believe that a child's first and most important teachers are his or her parents. Our mission is simple—connect parents with their peers and empower them to raise their children in the Faith.

ECFL welcomes families with children 0-5 years old. Its sessions facilitate parent-child interaction, parent discussion time and children's learning time.

At St. John Vianney Parish, we are excited to bring this opportunity to our community and hope that you will join us!

When: Wed. Mornings June 20 – Aug 1, 2018

Where: St. John Vianney Church, 13 Baldwin Lane

Time: 10:00 – 12:00- healthy snacks provided

Fall sessions on Saturday mornings beginning Oct. 13, 2018.

Contact: Steph Maher smaher@sympatico.ca

MINISTRY RENEWAL PROJECT

Over the past month or so we have been strengthening and renewing several of our parish ministry groups. Present members and new volunteers will be invited to get to know each other at a combined social event and information evening. Our next renewal evening will be for Social Outreach Programs including:

REFUGEE COMMITTEE,

PARISH OUTREACH TO SENIORS,

BARRIE OUT OF THE COLD, &

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VOLUNTEERS

ON FRIDAY JUNE 15TH AT 7:00 P.M.

We will meet to review procedures and understand changes. Then we'll socialize over wine, cheese, coffee and deserts.



Please pray for those who

are sick: Denise Burgess, Elsie Walsh, Barbara Nadon, Penny Guitard, Nadia Allesio, Sherry Wyman, Pat Carter, Graeme Sutherland, Valentina Marrone, Jack Brady, Margaret Breckinridge, Ted Huston, Rigo Ongaro, Jean Boileau, Jo-Anne Ransome, & Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died recently:

† Connie Chisholm

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