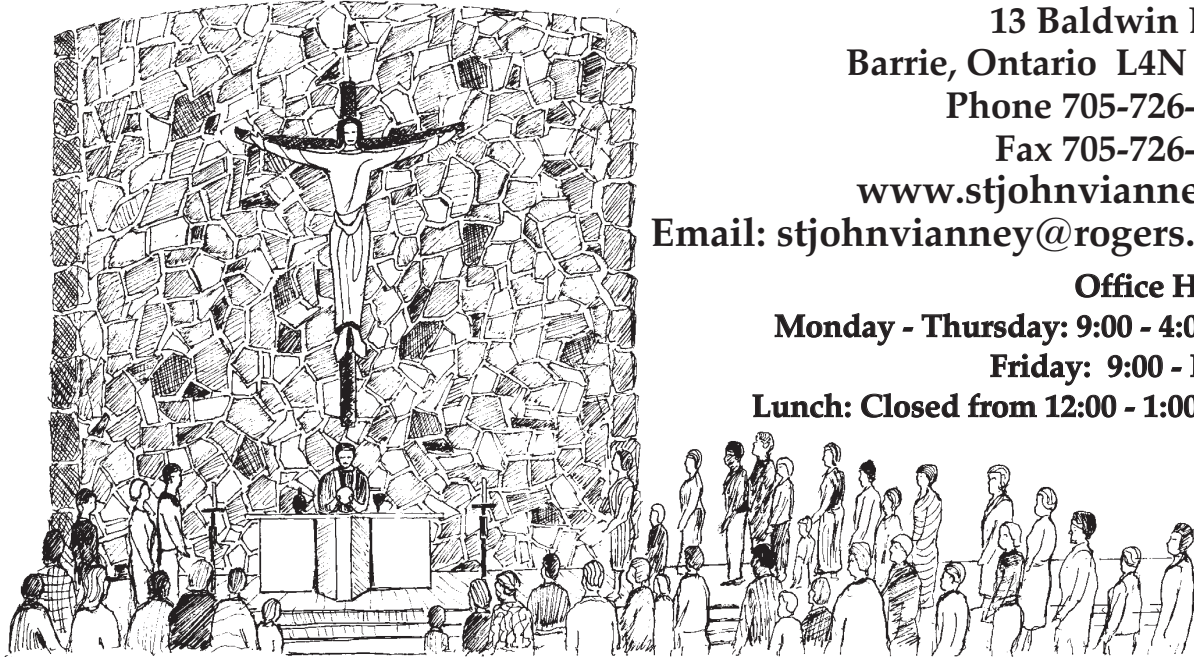


# St. John Vianney Church



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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. Saji Thomas, C.M.I., Associate Pastor  
Fr. Joshy George, In Residence

## **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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BE NOT AFRAID

An elderly woman named Maude had a window seat on a big 747 jetliner that had just taken off for Rome from Toronto. She had been saving for years to fulfill her dream to visit the Eternal City, Rome. But it was her first flight, and she was terrified. Even the stately presence of four bishops seated behind her didn't help. With fear and trembling she finally opened her eyes and peered out the window, just in time to see one of the plane's four engines break loose from the wing and disappear into the clouds. "We're going to die!" she cried out. "We're going to die!" The stewardess consulted with the pilot who announced to the passengers that everything was under control that they could fly back to Toronto and land safely with three engines. But Maude continued to cry out, "We're going to die!" The stewardess went to her and said, "Don't worry, my dear, God is with us. We have only three engines, but look, we have four bishops to pray for us." To which Maude replied, "I'd rather have four engines and three bishops!" In today's Gospel Jesus gives us three reasons why we should not be afraid and why we should have the courage of our Christian convictions.

The first reason is that opponents will not be able to prevent Jesus' followers from succeeding in their mission because God will expose their evil plans and deeds: *"nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered."* The Lord *"will bring to light the hidden things of darkness"* (1 Cor 4:5), and will vindicate the faithful. The second reason not to be afraid is the limited power of our opponents. They can kill the body, which dies all too soon anyway, but have no power over the soul. Only God has power over eternity. The third reason we should not be afraid is God's compassionate love. We are more important to God than sparrows. Matthew speaks of two sparrows sold for one penny. The God who cares for a trivial bird like the sparrow also cares about our smallest problems – even the hairs on our heads are counted.

We are challenged to trust in the loving God who continually saves us in the events of our

lives. We are sheltered, protected and wrapped in God's love. Hence, we are free – free of fear – free to live – free to bear witness to Christ through our lives.

Sometimes we are afraid that we will make a wrong decision. At other times, we are afraid of what others will think when we speak up for Jesus. We are afraid of what the future will bring our children. We are also afraid of growing old. Sometimes we are afraid of what bad health will bring us. At the root of these fears is the fear of loss. Every fear we have is grounded in the knowledge that we have something or someone to lose. I can lose my job, family, house, money, health and even life itself. Rejection and loss are the basis of our fears. But we forget one thing: whatever trouble or crisis affects us, we know that God understands it better than we ourselves do. Our Heavenly Father knows exactly what is happening.

What a release from fear it is to know that God is on our side; that our life is in the hands of a loving God. The next time fear grips our life we need to remember that being faithful to Christ wherever we meet him in this life is much more important than our fear of rejection and loss. Also let us take a moment to recall some of the great promises of God. Let us remind ourselves that God cares – we are each a dear child of His and He cares for each of us. *"Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."* The last verse of Psalm 27 sums it up nicely, *"Trust in the Lord. Have Faith; do not despair. Trust in the Lord."*



The C.W.L. will be hosting an Aboriginal Mass at 11:30 am this Sunday with a reception in the hall to follow.





### Mass Intentions

Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am † Leah Couvrette  
Requested by: Cyril Couvrette

Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am † Anton Anh Nguyen  
† Joseph Hien Tran  
Requested by: Tran & Nguyen  
Families

9:30 am For the special intentions of  
**Patricia & Ian Bridgell**  
Requested by: Patricia & Patrick  
Sciicluna

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

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



The Archdiocese of Toronto has recently announced the annual clergy appointments which come into effect on June 30th 2017. Fr. Saji Thomas has been appointed as the new Associate Pastor at St. Christopher Parish in

Mississauga.

We thank Fr. Saji for his presence and service over the past 21 months. We rejoice in what his ministry here has meant to all of us especially the students and staff in our schools. We send Fr. Saji to his new appointment with our overflowing love and best wishes, as he continues the work that God has called him to do.

### 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 parish office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Biju. (705) 726-8007

### THE ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

St. Mary's Cemetery Mass will be held on **Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 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.



### PARISH PICNIC

Our annual parish picnic will take place on **Sunday Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>**. Further information including ticket sales will be detailed in closer to the date.



If you have not had the opportunity to visit our website, please do so at: [www.stjohnvianney.ca](http://www.stjohnvianney.ca) Take some time to bookmark and browse. You will find the latest parish news, helpful links, registration forms and you can download our most recent parish bulletin.



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 first Sunday of the month (unless otherwise indicated). Attendance at a baptism preparation class is mandatory before baptism takes place. Please fill in the applicable form(s) and submit them to the parish office



*For with God, nothing will be impossible.*

*Luke 1:37*

Congratulations to all the graduating classes of 2017!



Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain especially: Marg Nixon, Baby

Clare Dary, Katherine Gibbons, Rosaleen Thyne, Sherry Wyman, Raymond Valney, Jamie Ringler, Rosa Maria Santos, Jebreil Syed, Pauline & Barry Vincent, Maria DeMelo, Joanne Ransome, Richard Benoit, Lillian Pottage, Stephanie Chalmers, & Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died: † Jeff Plunkett



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