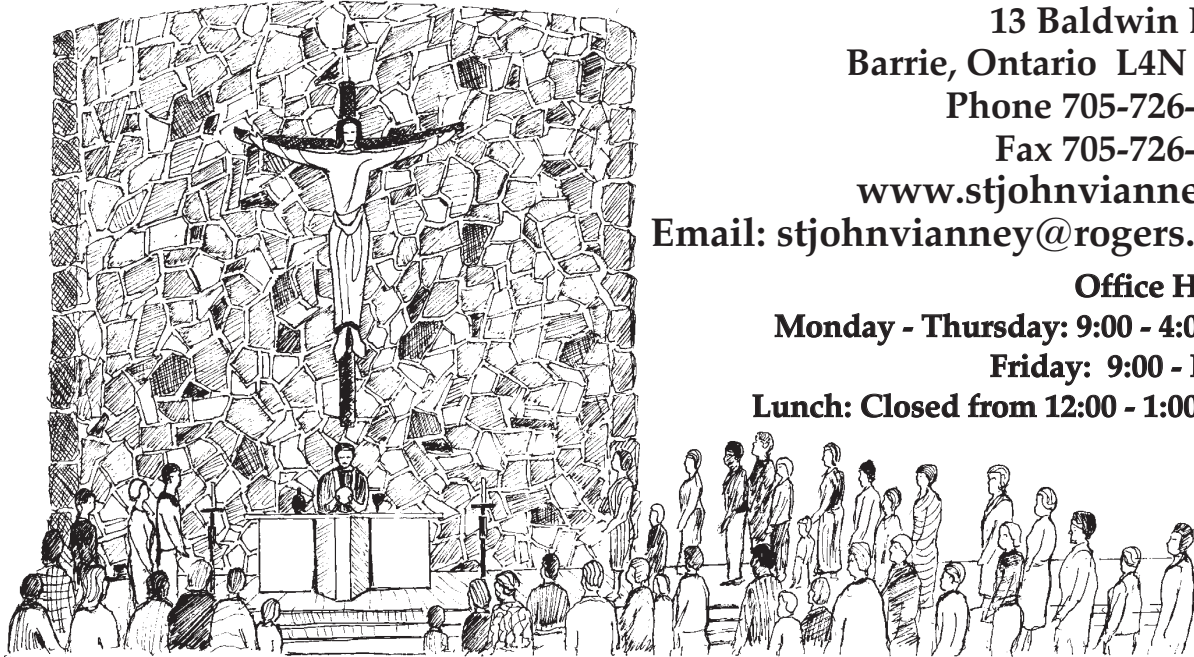


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in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

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STAND SECURE, TAKE CARE

Time and again, the Bible warns us with the example of the Israelites, who failed many times to use the heavenly gifts God gave them. Through the ministry of Moses, God saved them from slavery with actual miracles. He opened up a sea for them to cross to freedom. He made the sky rain bread for them to eat. He made a rock erupt with water for them to drink. The result was this: out of 600,000 that left Egypt, only 2 entered the Promised Land: Joshua and Caleb. The rest, even Moses, failed at some point to use the heavenly gifts God gave them, and the consequences were major and very important.

“These things happened to them as an example,” St. Paul says in today’s second reading, “and they have been written down as a warning to us”. By crossing the Red Sea, he says the Israelites “were baptized into Moses.” He means that they became God’s people by being saved from the sinful land of Egypt in order to go to the Promised Land of Canaan. We have something better. By our baptism into Jesus Christ we are saved from original sin in order to go to the ultimate Promised Land of Heaven.

St. Paul says the Israelites ate “spiritual food” and drank “spiritual drink.” He says the “spiritual rock” that gave them water was Christ, which means the power of Christ was foreshadowed in the manna bread and in the water from the rock. We have something better. We have not just spiritual food and drink, but sacramental food and drink. We have the Real Presence of Jesus in bread and wine, which become his Body and Blood.

If we fail to live our baptism and to receive reverently and worthily the Holy Eucharist, we will suffer a similar fate to the Israelites. St. Paul told the Corinthians not to “desire evil things, as the Israelites did” and not to “grumble as some of them did”. They desired evil things when they worshipped the golden calf and committed impure acts in the process. They grumbled when

they disbelieved God’s promises and despised both Moses and the Manna bread. Simply put, they sinned in body and spirit and did not enter the Promised Land.

Then how do we use our heavenly gifts? St. Paul says that “whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall”. There we have two steps to take, especially in this season of Lent, to use those heavenly gifts God gives us.

Step one: stand secure. Our lives need a firm foundation of faith. Our lives need to be founded on rock. Standing secure is the first step. But it is not enough. St. Paul also tells us to take care not to fall. We must build up our defenses through love of God and love of neighbor. A life of intimate prayer with our Lord Jesus and of service to our brothers and sisters will help us not to fall into sin.

Lent is a great time to assess ourselves. Am I taking care not to fall into sin in my life, or am I leaving myself open regularly to hatred, resentment, lust, indifference, blasphemy, arrogance, jealousy, ingratitude, or willful doubt of my faith? If I see a place where I am failing time and again, I need to take care not to fall.

Good prayers to get involved with, especially during Lent, are the Stations of the Cross, the Rosary, and reading Holy Scripture. Any type of faith study is useful too. Good Works or Mercy are helping at the hospital, nursing home, or school, and also calling or meeting with family members or friends who are sick or alone. Let us make full use of our heavenly gifts by standing secure in the faith, worshiping at Mass, Confessing our Sins, and giving alms. Let us also take care not to fall into sin by a life of prayer and works of mercy.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Join us for **The Stations of the Cross** devotion on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm. during Lent. Our next Stations of the Cross will be held on **Friday March 29th** led by the Eucharistic Ministers and will begin with a Poverty Meal at 5:00 pm. Join us for the sustenance of food and fellowship!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday
March 23rd 8:30 am † **Bridget Prior**
Requested by: Suzanne Prior

5:00 pm † **Marg Nixon**
Requested by: Barbara Bagnell

Sunday
March 24th 9:30 am † **Leverne Jones**
Requested by: Mary Jones & Family

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

9:30 am For the special intentions of **Monika Zientarski**
Requested by: Parents

11:30 am For the special intentions of **Steve Sheppard & Dale Herceg**
Requested by: Raydenne Delany

11:30 am † **Maria Kozlowski**
Requested by: Teresa & Mike Potvin

Friday
March 29th 5:00 pm **Lenten Poverty Meal**
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Day of Confessions

Lenten confessions will be on **Friday, April 12, 2019** from 8:30 am - 10:00 am, 12:00 – 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm.



KIDS SUMMER DAY CAMP: 2019 Day Camp for elementary students is now open. This year's theme is Holydays. We will be celebrating Christmas, Easter, Birthdays, Valentine's Day and

All Saints Day. Camp will be held August 12-16, 2019, daily 9am-3pm. Daily Mass, crafts, skits, outdoor play and fun daily teachings about these special Holydays. All this and more only \$40/child for the week. Registration forms are available next to the youth bulletin board or on our website. Don't delay, we cap at 120 registrants.



Palm Sunday	Holy Thursday	Good Friday	Easter Vigil	Easter Sunday
Saturday April 13 th at 5:00 pm	Thursday April 18 th at 7:00 pm	Friday April 19 th	Saturday April 20 th	Sunday April 21 st
Sun. April 14 th 8:00 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	The Mass of the Lord's Supper	The Passion of the Lord 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm	8:00 pm	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

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 this weekend. The cost is \$35.



Infant Baptism

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 last Sunday of the month (unless otherwise indicated). Attendance at a baptism preparation class is mandatory before baptism takes place. Please complete the registration form and call the parish office to arrange a meeting with the Pastor prior to attending the preparation class.



Please pray for those who are sick:



Clarence Kennedy, Aileen Henry, Niala Kalliecharan, Patrick Scicluna, Baby Tobias Gerritsen, Brian Downey, Monique Lewicki, David Ross, Martin Matchett, Shirley Richard, and Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died recently:

† Cheryl Arnold

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