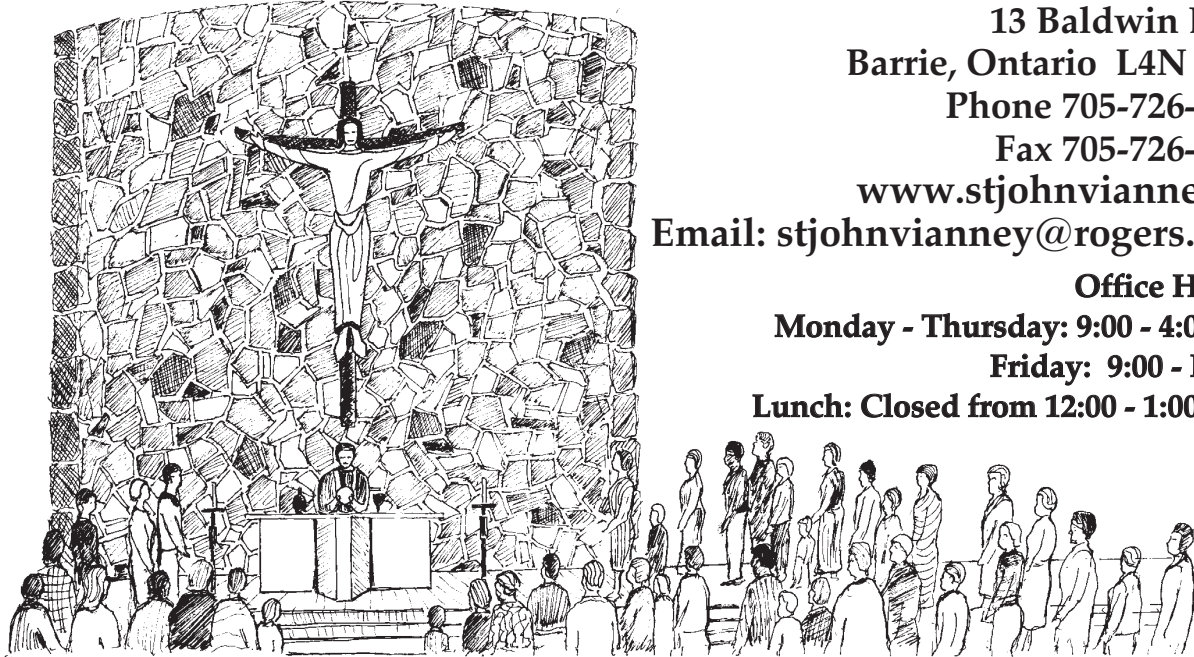


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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 pm

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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

Baptismal Information - Press 7

Parish Outreach for Seniors - Press 103

Emergency due to death or serious illness - Press 6

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha, C.M.I., Pastor - 102

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Karen Price, Parish Secretary - 101

Bernadette Brock, Youth Minister - 104

Marilyn Reesor, Music Director - 121

Mass  for the Intentions Week

Saturday Nov. 11 th	5:00 pm † Elena Ongaro Requested by: Ongaro Family
	5:00 pm † Edgar Carreira Requested by: Family
Sunday Nov. 12 th	8:00 am † Ted & Karolina Srodulski Requested by: Joseph Kawa
	9:30 am † Tina Rashid Requested by: Paul Rashid & Family
	9:30 am † Pasquale Stumpo & Generoso Pizzari Requested by: Assunto Stumpo & Family
	11:30 am † Anne Marie Fielding Requested by: Heather & Pam
	11:30 am † Mary Hudson Coyle Requested by: Jane & John Bradbury
	11:30 am † Maria & Giuseppe Grillo Requested by: The Grillo Family
Monday Nov. 13 th	8:30 am † Genevieve & Ray McAndrews Requested by: Suzanne Prior
Tuesday Nov. 14 th	8:30 am † Vange Gaudet Requested by: Dan MacNeil
Wednesday Nov. 15 th	7:00 pm For the special intentions of Bob Waring Requested by: Knights of Columbus 10370

THE END

We are nearing the end of the liturgical calendar which will be capped by the feast of Christ the King, two Sundays from now. Logically enough, these last three Sundays remind us of The End. When we were in first year high school taking up catechism classes, one of the questions was, "What are the four last things?" And we would recite: death, judgment, heaven or hell. As one wit said, there are two things that are certain, death and taxes.

Just a few days ago, we were reminded of the reality of death when we celebrated the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. Many of us "communed with the dead" by praying, and even visiting the tombs of

our dear loved ones. These celebrations became occasions for us to mourn our dead, celebrate life.

This Sunday, the gospel reading speaks about readiness. Jesus told the parable of the maidens, five of whom were foolish and five were wise. According to cultural practices at that time, they were assigned to meet the bridegroom and light his path. The foolish ones did not bring oil for their lamps. The wise ones did. Only the sensible ones were able to fulfill their duty when the bridegroom finally arrived. They were ready with their lamps. The parable nicely ended with the moral of the story, "So, *stay awake, for you do not know the day or the hour.*" (Mt. 25:13)

What are we to be ready for? Certainly, we have to be ready for death, it could come anytime. We have to be ready to meet the Author of Life when the time comes. Some meet death willingly enough, others "rage at the dying of the light". No matter how we keep it at bay, there is no denying it, death eventually comes.

Paradoxically, our readiness to face life daily, is what also makes us ready to face death. It is when we live life in its fullness that we are most ready to meet the Bridegroom. Once a priest asked his catechism class, "How does one go to heaven?" A little girl raised her hand and said, "One has to die."

The girl answered correctly. Death is the gateway to Life. Living life in its fullness is really dying every day. This was how Jesus lived His life, "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." (Jn. 12:24). There are some basic things that make life fuller such as a decent living, friends and loved ones, a work that one loves doing, and the knowledge that one's life serves. There are even occasions when one has to rise above the usual and the ordinary. There are higher values than merely living a comfortable life. That is why we have heroes, martyrs, and saints among us. These are people who have literally died so that others may live.

Life in its fullness does not mean "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we die." It is not like Cinderella squeezing every bit of enjoyment and partying before the clock strikes twelve. Living is dying every day. Then comes, the End. But the end, is just the Beginning.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION!

Be sure to book Friday December 8th from 5-8 pm for the St John Vianney

Children's Christmas Party. Lots of fun including pizza, crafts, Christmas carols, gingerbread cookie decorating and a special visit from YOU KNOW WHO! The cost is \$5.00/person. Tickets can be purchased at the Welcome Table in the hall or the office during office hours. If you are already a part of our BLAST program, your FREE ticket is available for you at the Welcome Table.

RCIC – Rite of Christian Initiation of Children 7 TO 15 YEARS OLD

What if my child, or a child I know, has 'missed' a step . . . is not baptized? was baptized, but not as a Catholic? didn't make First Communion? doesn't know Confession? should receive Confirmation?

Then the RCIC Program is a chance to 'catch up.' RCIC Information / Registration Meeting here: **Sunday, November 12, 10:30 am**

THE ANNUAL CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IS ALMOST HERE!



Saturday November 18th from 9:30 am – 2:00 p.m.

Join us for our annual Christmas Bazaar, luncheon and craft sale. We have everything from baked goods, to books, toys, Christmas decorations, jewelry, crafts, attic treasures

and so much more! Come early for a good selection and then enjoy a wonderful lunch with us. **Goods for the bake table are also needed –cakes, pies, squares, cookies, breads, and buns are most welcome as well!** We also need knitted or crochet hats, scarves mitts, slippers etc. Everything is very welcome. You can contact me with any questions. Beryl at 705-436-5142. Thank-you all for your generosity.

Drop-off dates are:

Thursday November 16th 10:00 am – 5:00 pm & Friday November 17th 9:00 am – 6:00 pm in the parish hall.



ALSO be sure to drop by **St. John Vianney School** for their Craft Sale in the school gym from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm !



PEACE BE WITH YOU

The cold and flu season is upon us! To avoid sharing germs, remember that at the *Sign of Peace*, if you do not wish to shake hands, simply bow, smile and say "Peace be with you".



The **2017-2018 SUNDAY MISSALS** are available at the Welcome Committee table in the hall following Mass at a cost of \$5.00.



Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact Karen in the Parish office at (75) 726-8007 Ext. 101 or drop by the office during regular office hours.



Please pray for those who are sick: Bob Waring, Catherine Dion, Ted Huston, Denise Foster, Jerry Gulka, Trudy Schoutsen, Sherry Wyman, Jebreil Syed, Maria DeMelo, Joanne Ransome, Richard Benoit, Lillian Pottage, & Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died recently:

† Manfred Loeffler, † Edward O'Brien, † Barbara Howser



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