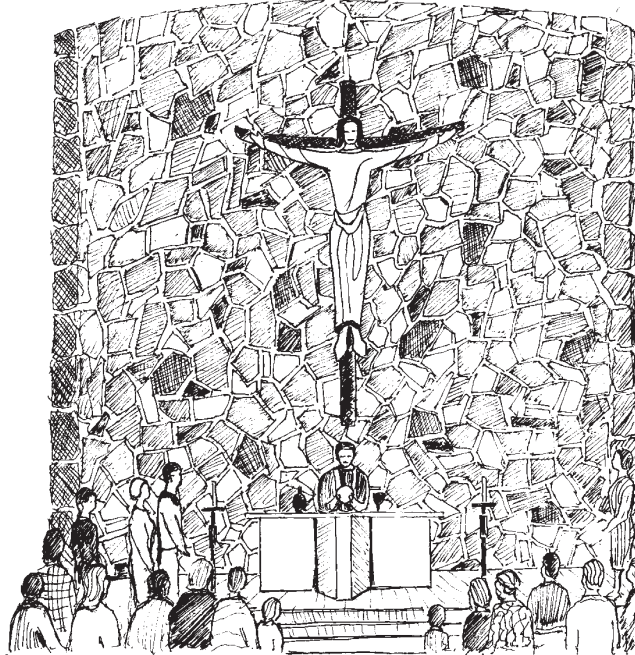


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in his mission of justice and peace, through the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God.

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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

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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING



Sunday November 22 nd	8:00 am † Dorothy Wiseman Requested by: Susan Leskew
	9:30 am † Joseph Hien Tran Requested by: Nguyen & Tran Families
	11:30 am † Antonio Achay Requested by: Loyola Family
	11:30 am † Jeffrey Harris Requested by: Yvonne Thompson
Wednesday November 25 th	7:00 pm † Sergio Mena Requested by: Cyndi & Mike Armstrong
Friday November 27 th	8:30 am † Bertha Prior Requested Suzanne Prior
Saturday November 28 th	8:30 am † Wilson Mathew Requested by: Wilson Family

A KING LIKE NO OTHER

Marie Antoinette, a fabulously rich Queen of France, when told that the poor of her country had no bread to eat, is said to have proclaimed, "Let them eat cake!" She was so far removed from the needs, sufferings, and hardships of everyday people that she had no idea that many of them were starving.

This is an image that perhaps many of us have of kings and queens. They're too lofty and exalted, we may think, to really know or care what it's like to be an "average Joe" or an "average Jane." This may have indeed been true of many "royals" throughout history. It's not true, however, of the king we celebrate today: Jesus Christ our Lord.

Yes, Jesus is almighty, exalted, and all-powerful. He dwells in heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father where he is worshipped by all the heavenly host. When he comes again at the end of time, his glory and majesty will be evident to all. Today's psalm and the readings from Daniel and Revelation speak to this exalted kingship of Jesus. It's tempting to think that such a lofty figure wouldn't bother to have anything to do with us.

Today's gospel reading gives us a different perspective on Jesus' kingship, however. Our Lord had been betrayed, arrested, and was standing trial before Pilate. Pilate had been told that Jesus was a king. But when he finally met Jesus face-to-face, Jesus didn't exactly "fit the profile." Jesus had to explain to Pilate

that his kingship was not of this world. That's why Pilate was confused.

During his time on earth, Jesus our king didn't exactly act like we expect royalty to act. Instead, Jesus lived amongst us, suffered amongst us, and died amongst us. He reigned not on a throne but from a cross; his crown was not of jewels but of thorns; and he didn't marry a princess. Instead he united us with himself so that we could all share in his royalty. In the traditional language of Scripture and the Church, Christ is the bridegroom and we, the Church, are his bride. This means that we share in Jesus' kingship. This also means that during our earthly pilgrimage we are to exercise our "royal status" in the same way Jesus exercised his. But what does this mean in practice?

First, it suggests how we should see ourselves in relation to others. In Jesus, the greatest king walked amongst the simplest people. With him, there were no divisions between "royals" and "commoners." Jesus sought solidarity with others, not exclusivity from them.

Something else for us to think about was that Jesus' kingship was expressed by service. Jesus came to serve, and not be served. But what about us? Do we expect the world to revolve around us? Is it all about "number 1," as they say? If so, we need to learn to consider other's needs in addition to our own. There's quite a bit being written these days about how parents need to teach their children to be generous and actively help other people. This might involve giving them regular chores to contribute to the welfare of the household; making donations in their name to charities at Christmastime; buying items together at the grocery store for a local food bank; or participating in a charity walk to raise awareness of some of society's problems. In our competitive and increasingly selfish world, activities like these teach children that it's not "all about them." Jesus the king shows us that it's also about others.

Lastly, Jesus' kingship teaches us a great deal about humility. As God the Son, Christ our King humbled himself to live and die as a simple human being from a poor family in an obscure town. He didn't have to do it; it was his choice; it was his Father's plan. This alone should keep us from getting too full ourselves, and inspire us to live as humble servants of a humble God. Humility is an attribute of God unique to Christianity. And it should be characteristic of us- if we are to truly share in the kingship of Christ.



ANGEL GIFT GIVING TREE

Once again it is that time of year that the St. Vincent de Paul Society will team up with St. John Vianney Church to bring you an opportunity to participate in the 'Angel Tree Gift Giving' program which will benefit the less fortunate children of Barrie. Parishioners are invited to choose a paper angel from the tree in the parish hall that will bear the name and age of a child in need of a gift. **Please take only one Angel per family as there are only a limited number of Angels available.** Angels will be available this weekend. Simply purchase a gift suitable for the boy or girl and their age level, wrap it, and return it to the parish by the weekend of Nov. 28/29 or Dec.5/6 with the angel you received attached to the gift. The parish, along with the St. Vincent de Paul Society will distribute the gifts at a children's Christmas party which will take place in the parish hall on December 13th. For more info. call (705) 726- 8007.

CONFIRMATION



Please pray for our youth who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation next Sunday at a special 3:00 pm Mass. May God richly bless them and their families as we journey together in faith.

A FRANCISCAN CHRISTMAS



Give new energy and insight to your Christmas celebrations by joining a morning reflection on St Francis and the Nativity. Francis of Assisi went to Israel during the Crusades and brought back to us the tradition of the Christmas Crèche. He called the Church to renewal in his time and has much to say to us about renewing and refreshing our faith and understanding of the Incarnation.

Where: St. John Vianney, 13 Baldwin Lane, Barrie

When: Saturday, November 28.

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m

Special guest speaker is Ms. Laurie Van de Hurk from the Archdiocese of Toronto. Please bring a brown bag lunch and the C.W.L. will provide soup, coffee and tea. All are welcome to attend.



The **2015-2016 SUNDAY MISSALS FOR ADULTS** are available at the Welcome Table in the hall following Mass at a cost of \$5.00.

St. John Vianney Bible Study



If we consider that God is the Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride, then the prophets can be seen as "spiritual marriage counselors." They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to our heavenly Bridegroom. St. John Vianney Parish will begin *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy* on Nov. 23, 2015 at 7:00 PM. For more information contact Barbara Charuba at (705) 739-9020 or barbaracharuba49@gmail.

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First Communion



Congratulations to all those receiving the sacrament of First Communion at Mass on Saturday at 5 pm and Sunday at 9:30 & 11:30 am next weekend. As the body and spirit of the Lord comes into your life in this very special way, may you know His love and joy through His blessings every day.



Theology on Tap North will be taking place November 23rd at 7pm at Donaleigh's Pub in Barrie. Our guest speaker is Fr. Paul Magyar, speaking about his journey from bodyguard of the stars to parish priest. There will be free food provided! This is an event for young adults aged 19 to 39.



Please pray for the sick:

Cheryl Wytock, Carol Aimola, Lillian Pottage, Isaura Botas, Michael Foster, Janet Herbert, Sandy Duggan, Keith Edmonds, Shirley Chew, Dora Barker, Ed

Arsenault, Herman Jacobs, Geraldine Ocsai, Tina Rashid, Wilson Gasewicz, Baby Avery Maset, & Carson Batters.

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