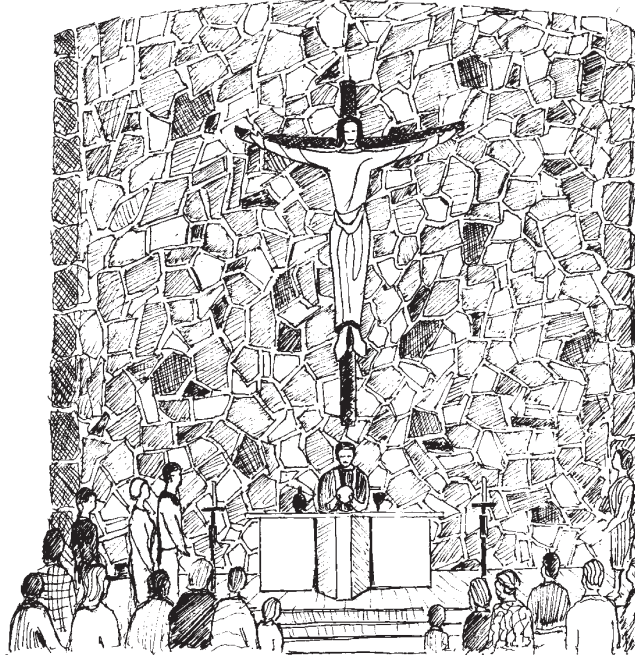


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in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

Mass Times - Press 9

Baptismal Information - Press 7

St. Vincent de Paul - Press 8

Emergency due to death or serious illness - Press 6

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Mass for the Intentions Week



Saturday
Nov. 5th

5:00 pm † Alexandra Galic
Requested by: The Galic Family

5:00 pm † Elena Ongaro
Requested by: The Ongaro Family

Sunday
Nov. 6th

8:00 am † Anna O'Connell
Requested by: Cornelius O'Connell

9:30 am † Giovanni Campanella
† Salvatore & † Carmela Nicastro
Requested by: Giuseppina

11:30 am † Lorenzo Castellano
† Carmen Filice
Requested by: Ida Filice & Antonietta Casalinuovo

Can You Believe It?

The film *Amadeus* ends showing the funeral of the great musician Mozart. He died at the age of 35. A genius, he never re-copied his compositions. He never had to make corrections, so the first draft was also the final copy. A genius, he started playing several instruments at the age of four, wrote several symphonies by the age of eight and created at least 528 musical compositions before he died at age 35. He was a genius, whom one authority calls "one of the brightest stars in the musical firmament." What a waste, that he should have died so young! It makes you wonder: is this life all there is? Imagine a beloved spouse, a darling parent or grandparent, a close friend, lying cold in the coffin. Is this life all there is? We try to comfort ourselves with the doctrine of the resurrection. We say: the genius of people like Mozart is not going to be wasted. The love of dear ones - the squeeze of their hands and the music in their voices - that love will be enjoyed in even greater intensity. A Sadducee in Jesus' time might say, "I don't believe it; the doctrine is absurd." That was the point the Sadducees wanted to make by challenging Jesus with an absurd story of a woman who married seven husbands, in today's Gospel.

As we near the end of the Church's liturgical year, the readings become more eschatological --

having to do with the end times. The main theme of today's readings is the reality of life after death and of the relationship between our lives on earth and the life of glory or punishment that will follow. The readings invite us to consider the true meaning of the Resurrection in our lives.

The first reading describes a Jewish family, consisting of a mother and her seven sons, who refuse a Syrian command to eat pork, forbidden as "unclean" by Jewish Law. Because of their Faith in, and obedience to, God, they endure suffering and accept martyrdom. During their torture, three of the brothers speak, and each of them finds strength in the belief that he will eventually be raised and rewarded by God.

The second reading encourages the Thessalonians, who were waiting for the *Parousia* or the *second coming* of Christ, to trust in the fidelity of God who would strengthen their hearts in every good work and word. The same theme of the resurrection of the dead is the basis of the confrontation described in today's Gospel passage. Jesus speaks of God as the God of the living; he also explains that Heavenly life with God in glory is totally different from earthly life.

The reason we come together each week to pray for the needs of the community, share the Word and break the Bread is that we have Faith and Hope in a living God Who loves us and whom we love. If God is the God of the living, our worship services and relation to God must be life-giving rather than life-draining experiences. Unfortunately, Holy Mass and other worship services are often described as "dead" or "boring." The proclamation that our God is the God of the living has to mean something positive to us. It should affect our lives today and every day. In response to Him, our participation in prayers and songs during the Holy Mass should be active and our behavior in church reverent, not gloomy. As we gather around the Table of the Lord, let us give thanks to Almighty God for this foretaste of the Heavenly Banquet that awaits us in the place that God has prepared for us.



Friday Nov. 11th is Remembrance Day; a day dedicated to honoring the courageous men and women who served and continue to serve their country. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. *“They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn, at the going down of the sun and in the morning, we shall remember them.”*

ADVENT RETREAT



Parishioners are invited to attend an Advent Retreat on Saturday, November 26. The retreat will start with Mass at 8:30 a.m. Special guest speaker is **Fr. Michael Knox** from the Martyrs Shrine. Please bring a brown bag lunch and the C.W.L. will provide soup, coffee and tea. All are welcome to attend.

**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 13, 10:30 am



Young Men’s High School Retreat (Grades 11 & 12)

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at St. John Vianney Parish, Barrie on Saturday, November 26, 2016 (from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Provides a time to pray, interact & socialize. Priests & Seminarians will deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. Offers opportunities for Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information please call the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org



The **2016-2017 SUNDAY MISSALS FOR ADULTS** are available at the Welcome Committee table in the hall following Mass at a cost of \$5.00.



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. Angels will be available next weekend (Nov.12/13). Simply purchase a gift suitable for the boy or girl and their age level, wrap it, and return it to the parish by the deadline weekend of Nov. 26/27 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 4th. For more info. Call (705) 726- 8007.



**C.W.L. CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR SAT. NOV. 19TH
9:30 am – 2:30 pm**

Calling all knitters, crocheters, bakers and country cooks. We need your help and generous donations for our annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday Nov. 19th. We need mitts, gloves, colorful leg warmers for all ages, fingerless gloves, boot cuffs, scarves, hats, slippers and some baby items. Everything is very welcome. For wool or patterns please contact BERYL at 705-436-5142. Also remember to please save jars of your home made preserves and veggies for our country kitchen table. We will also be looking for baked goods, bread, butter tarts, pies, squares, cookies, and sugar free goods. You can contact me with any questions. Susan Mays 705-456-7836. Thank-you all for your generosity.



B.L.A.S.T. (Believe, Learn, And Seek Truth) An exciting Youth Program for Kindergarten – Grade 8 starts **Nov. 12 from 2:00 – 6:00 pm** including Mass from 5:00 – 6:00 pm. This group meets monthly. It’s about making friends, getting involved, having fun, crafts, singing, being active and growing closer to God. Registration forms are available next to the Youth bulletin board and on our parish website.




Please pray for those who are sick: Gail French, Fred Tomlinson, Jennifer Dourado, Maria Grillo, Baby Jaxon Timmerman, Brendan & Michael McCormick, Wilson Gasewicz, Lillian Pottage, Avery Maset & Carson Batters. *And for those who died recently:*
 † Salma Leon



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