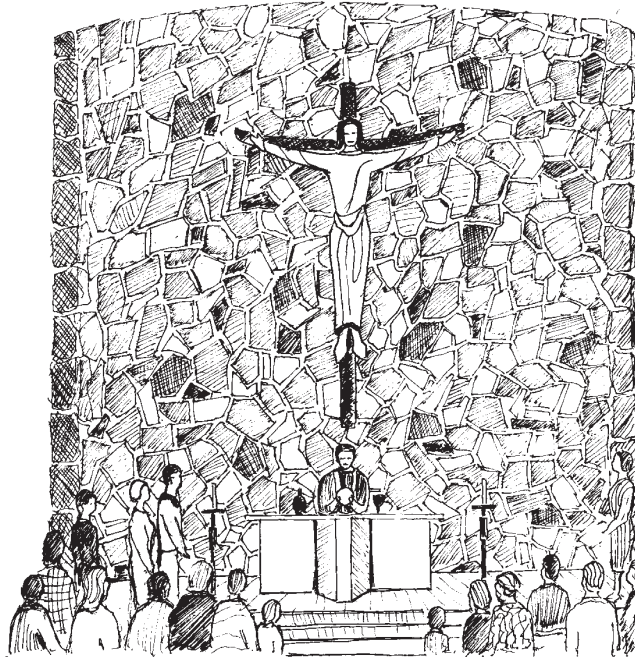


# St. John Vianney Church



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## Office Hours:

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

## 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*

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

Fr. Jose Koluthara, C.M.I., In Residence - 106

Fr. Saji Thomas, C.M.I., Associate Pastor - 108

Karen Price, Parish Secretary - 101

Bernadette Brock, Youth Minister - 104

Marilyn Reesor, Music Director - 121

## Mass for the Intentions Week

Sunday Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:30 am ✠ <b>Vincenzo Pistillo</b> Requested by: Pierina Pistillo
	9:30 am ✠ <b>Vincent Mancinelli</b> Requested by: Family
Wednesday Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm ✠ <b>Louise &amp; Harold Marr</b> Requested by: Jim & Phyl Taylor
Friday October 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am ✠ <b>Marina Prior</b> Requested by: Suzanne Prior

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### SIZE DOESN'T MATTER

When Laverne W. Hall was asked her definition of faith, she couched it in the following narrative. Summer sun and a lack of rain had left the fields parched and brown. As they tended their wilting crops, the townspeople worriedly searched the sky for any sign of relief. Days turned into arid weeks and still no rain came. The ministers of the local churches announced that there would be a special service to pray for rain on the following Saturday. They requested that everyone bring an object of Faith for inspiration. At the appointed hour, everyone came, filling the town square with anxious faces and hopeful hearts. The ministers were touched to see the variety of objects clutched in prayerful hands; prayer books, Bibles, crosses, rosaries, etc. Just as the hour of prayer was concluding, and as if by some Divine cue, a soft rain began to fall. Cheers swept the crowd as they held their treasured objects high in gratitude and praise. From the middle of the crowd, one faith symbol seemed to overshadow all the others; a small nine-year-old child had brought an umbrella! Without speaking a word, the child enunciated that quality of authentic Faith which expresses itself in commitment. By bringing the umbrella, the child affirmed the fact that Faith is more than intellectual assent to a set of revealed truths or theological doctrines.

All three readings for the 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time speak a lot about "Faith" and how it works in our lives. The first reading presents Faith as trusting in God and living with fidelity to the Covenant. Here, Faith is shown as hope and steadfast expectation

in the face of suffering and delay. God assures the prophet that Faith gives us access to Divine power, and, hence, the just will live righteous lives in the midst of encircling evil because of their Faith. In today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 95), God is characterized as a sturdy rock and a caring shepherd, surely worthy of our trusting Faith. In the second reading, Paul presents Faith as our acceptance of Jesus as the fulfillment of the promises of God. Paul stresses the need for a living Faith in, and loyalty to, Christ's teachings handed down to us by the Church. Hence, Faith is belief in, and acceptance of, revealed truths based on the authority and veracity of God, and Hope is trust in God. In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches his Apostles that Faith is sharing in God's power, and, hence, even in small quantities it allows God to work miracles in our lives and in the lives of others. It is Faith, meaning reliance on, or confidence in, God, which makes one just, putting him into right relation with God and neighbor. While the Apostles ask for an increase in the quantity of their Faith Jesus reminds them that the quality of their Faith is more important. Using a master-servant parable, Jesus also teaches them that for Faith to be effective, it must be linked with trust, obedience and total commitment — an active submission to God with a willingness to do whatever He commands.

Following the example of the Apostles, we must pray for greater Faith and trust in God. Most of us are inclined to forget God's providence when our earthly affairs are going well. How often do we thank Him when we enjoy good health, or when our home-life and business are going smoothly? How many of us thank God for all the gifts we have received? We often attribute our good health to correct use of food and exercise. Often we attribute our success to our hard work and intelligence. It is only when a storm arises in our life that we think of God. We pray to Him only when trouble strikes. In His Infinite Goodness, God often answers such prayers. If, however, we had thought of Him every day and realized His place in our lives, with how much more confidence would we approach Him in our hour of need? If our own personal lives were stronger in Faith, how much more readily would we accept the adversities and the trials that face in our lives? This is why we must ask God today to "increase our Faith" at all times.



WELCOME TABLE  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in desperate need of volunteers for the Welcome Table at the 11:30 am Mass. It only requires just 10 minutes before Mass and 15 minutes after Mass on your assigned days (approx. once a month). You will hand out information, give out offertory envelopes and sell missals. Please leave your name at the Welcome Table or call the office: 705-726 8007.



Many thanks to the Catholic Women's League for their generous donation of \$2,280.72. We are grateful for your tireless work and generous support!

Charismatic Prayer Group

The Charismatic Prayer Group is changing their meeting night. They will now meet weekly on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the church. All are welcome to attend.



Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus 10370 for their recent donation of \$5,000.00. We are most grateful for your continued support.

Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> from Barrie, life *Life Chain* Life Chain is on **Sun. 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.** In chain participants will be meeting at the Kozlov Centre parking lot at Bayfield and Cundles.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS  
NEEDED



The Eucharistic Ministry is in need of new Eucharistic Ministers for the **11:30 am Mass**. This is a great spiritually rewarding opportunity to serve the Lord and others. Training is provided. Please contact the church office.



**Come join us, to pray the rosary each Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the church.**



Couples wishing to be married must contact the pastor at least six months in advance. Please call the parish office.

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**



**C.W.L. CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SAT. NOV. 19<sup>TH</sup> 2016**

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, colourful 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.



**Women's Fall Retreat:** Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre will hold a retreat on the weekend of Oct 21-23. The theme for this retreat will be THE ROAD TO GOD IS MERCY

preached by the Centre team. For further information or registration please call 905-278-5229



*Please pray for those who are sick:*

Fred Tomlinson, Jennifer Dourado, Maria Grillo, Baby Jaxon Timmerman, Brendan & Michael McCormick, Peter Myatt, Maria Elena Ramos, Herman Jacobs, Shirley Chew, Neave Alderson, John Navarrete, Sophia Goulah, Barbara Durnin, Nancy Kearns, Stephenie Chalmers, Wilson Gasewicz, Lillian Pottage, Avery Maset & Carson Batters. *And for those who have died recently:*

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