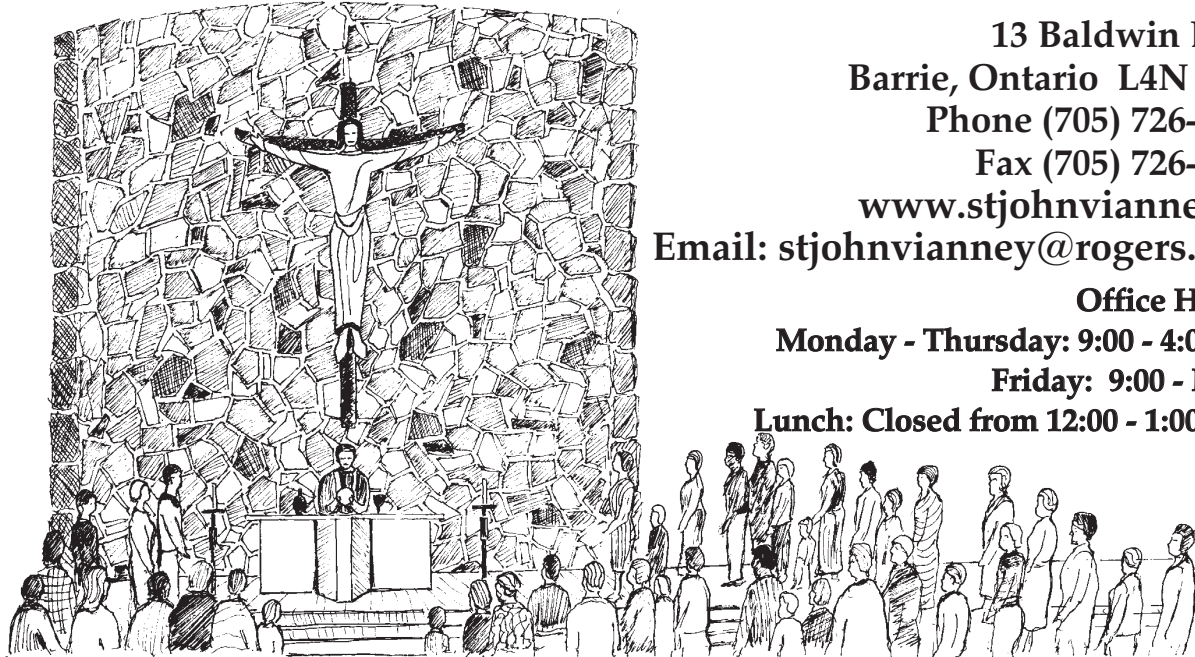


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in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

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LIVE MORE SIMPLY SO OTHERS MAY SIMPLY LIVE

A young priest, on his day off, felt really put out when he had to meet with a man who had dropped by the church, looking for help. "I'm off-duty," he grumbled, "and it's almost dinner time!" When he arrived at the office, the visitor introduced himself only as "Jim." His clothes were shabby and he smelled terrible. It was pretty obvious he'd been living on the streets.

As Jim began talking, the young priest knew full well what was coming: Jim was going to ask for money. As he listened for what seemed to be an eternity, the priest sighed, fidgeted, rocked on his heels, and jingled the loose change in his pocket. When the housekeeper paged him and said he had a phone call, he curtly excused himself and left the room.

When he returned, Jim was gone. The priest felt guilty that his attitude had driven Jim away. He dashed outside, but Jim was nowhere to be seen. So he hopped in his car and began to search the neighborhood. When he spotted Jim, he ran up and said, "I'm sorry I had to leave. Please come back so we can finish our conversation!" But Jim just shrugged and muttered, "You're just like everyone else. Nobody wants to listen."

In today's gospel, nobody wanted to listen to Bartimaeus, either. As we heard, a large crowd was following Jesus while Bartimaeus was begging at the side of the road. When he heard that Jesus was passing by, he cried for help. But the crowd was put out by this and told him to be quiet. They didn't want to hear him. And they didn't want Jesus to hear either.

Jesus did ultimately hear Bartimaeus because Bartimaeus kept yelling and yelling. But what about us? The Lord hears the cry of the poor! But do we? There are several reasons why we might not.

One reason we might not hear the poor's cries is that we don't want to hear them, like the crowds in our gospel story. For them, Bartimaeus was a distraction, a nuisance. Maybe he made them feel uncomfortable, ashamed, or guilty. Perhaps he stank or looked shabby like Jim, and they were "grossed out." Maybe they just couldn't be bothered; Bartimaeus' needs were an inconvenience.

Aren't we tempted to feel the same way? The homeless person approaches our car at the stoplight, and we stare straight ahead while we grip our steering wheel. Appeals come in the mail with pictures of starving children with wide eyes and bloated bellies, and we automatically toss them along with the catalogs. We don't want to be bothered. We become jaded and indifferent.

The truth is, however, that we have a responsibility, not only to try to hear the cries of the poor, but to answer them when we do. Jesus shows us this in how he responded to Bartimaeus. He stopped. He listened. He cared. He healed. We should do likewise; Jesus expects us to. Upon seeing a little girl begging with her mother on a street corner, a business man complained to God, "Why don't you do something about this?" "I did," replied God. "I made you."

What can we do? To begin with, we can pray. We can pray for global justice and a fair distribution of the world's resources. We can pray for the needy individuals we might pass by in our cars or on the sidewalk as we make our way to work- people with faces and names. And we can prayerfully examine our lifestyles, our financial priorities, and our stewardship of God's blessings that we might live more simply so others may simply live.

We can give of our time and talent to food pantries, refugee assistance centers, crisis pregnancy programs, soup kitchens, and homeless shelters. We can support our parish's participation in local outreach centers, such as David Busby or Out of the Cold and we can make regular contributions to a local food pantry. We can always be sure to treat the beggar with courtesy and respect.

Our world is filled with needy people like Bartimaeus- people in need crying out for help. Some we'll meet on our doorsteps; others are halfway around the world. Can we hear them? Will we listen? How will we respond? With indifference and impatience? Or like Jesus- with compassion and love.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Fr. Jose (Oct. 29th)

Each day comes bearing its own gifts and blessings. Enjoy the gifts this day holds. Wishing you a happy birthday and a blessed year!



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Our first ever Family Heritage Festival was an incredible community event full of celebration in the form of shared

traditions, food, stories and culture. It was truly a day that exceeded everyone's expectations and heartwarming to witness the warmth and appreciation everyone had for each other. A day like this does not unfold on its own. It takes a lot of time and organization from a team of tireless workers. Special thanks to Germaine Coo, Val Egerton, Mike Hardie and the organizing committee, to whom without your efforts and perseverance, this day would not have turned out to be such a tremendous success!

Thank you to Bishop Kirkpatrick for presiding over our unique Mass, and our music director, Marilyn Reesor, Choir Members, Lectors and Cantor, Altar Servers and participants who assisted with undertaking a multi-lingual Mass. Thank you to all the participants and patrons and our invited clergy and dignitaries who supported this event. Of course there are many people and businesses to thank whose involvement was crucial in the realization of the day including;

The Original Flag Store, the Knights of Columbus, Portuguese Cultural Centre in Bradford, Miller's School of Irish Dance, Clyde Skinner of the Steel Drum Orchestra, South Indian Classical dancers, Bollywood Moms, Mike & Maria Hardie, Anna Kim & KoHyang House, Qings Cuisine, Pho Mekhong - Hoa Hyunh, Tomas Franquez Milian, Dolores Lopez and her children, Emily Adams, Sharon, Paul and Loretta LaPlume, Linda McGregor, Ria Torr, Ria Van Der Mast, Tarcela Diaz, Tessie Frugal, Mulan Lim, Tammy Tran, Joseph Pace, Barbara McLeod, Gisele Melo-Page, Arlene Chee Foon, Maria Medeiros, Paul and Brenda Malone, Maryann Bozzo, Elaine Keyes., Sue Gribbons-Shrubsole, Suzanne Clark, Emma and Andrew Kokelj, Susan Mays, and Pam Nail.

Please forgive me if I overlooked anyone, but know that I am truly grateful to one and all who volunteered their time, talents and treasures. We are already planning ahead to make next year's festival bigger and better!

Fr. Biju Kannampuzha



ALL SOULS' DAY: Monday November 2nd is a special day of prayer in commemoration of all the faithful departed. As Catholics, it's our duty to offer prayers for friends and loved ones who have passed away. We invite parishioners to enter the names of their departed loved ones in the **Book of Remembrance** located in the vestibule when you enter the church. On that day we will celebrate a **Solemn Requiem Mass at 7:00 pm with a reception in the parish hall to follow. Monday morning Mass on this day will be cancelled.**



FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food donations on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul. Bags will be distributed this weekend (Oct. 24/25) and will be collected before and after Mass the following weekend in the parish hall. Thank you for your support!

Special Needs Consultation

How can St. John Vianney Parish be more helpful to families of children with special needs as they prepare to receive sacraments? Caregivers who deal with children with various challenges are invited to share ideas, experiences and requests. Please attend a brainstorming session after the 7 pm Mass next Wednesday, October 28 in the Parish Hall. For more information contact the Parish Office.



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

CWL General Meeting will be held Monday Oct. 26th at 7:00 in the hall.



Please remember in your prayers those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain especially:
Aurele Daigle, Rosalyn Ferguson, 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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