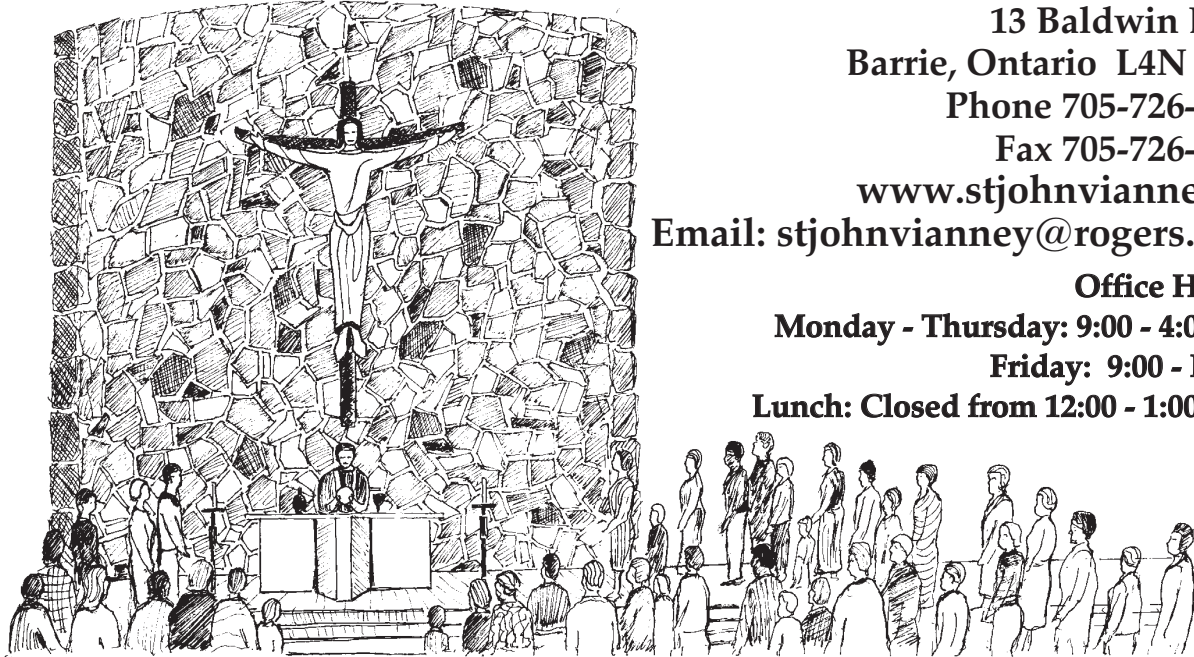


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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 pm

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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

Fr. Joshy George, C.M.I., Associate Pastor - 106

Karen Price, Parish Secretary - 101

Bernadette Brock, Youth Minister - 104

Marilyn Reesor, Music Director - 121

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Sept. 15 th	5:00 pm † Jason Devitt Requested by: Parents
	5:00 pm † Gerard Willcott Requested by: His wife & family
Sunday Sept. 16 th	9:30 am For the special intentions of Laverne Jones Requested by: Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society
	9:30 am for the special intentions of Bunty Brooks Requested by: Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society
	9:30 am for the special intentions of Marjorie Oliveira Requested by: Family
	11:30 am † Flora Jean DeRoches Requested by: Janine Bissonette
Monday Sept. 17 th	8:30 am † Jebriel Syed Requested by: Arlene Chee Foon
	8:30 am † Clarence McCorkell Requested by: Helen McCorkell
	8:30 am For the special intentions of Elsie Smith Requested by: Bert Kenny
Wednesday Sept. 19 th	7:00 pm † Gerard Willcott † Amelia & Leo Murray Requested by: Family

HOW WELL DO WE KNOW HIM?

It is not easy to get to know someone really well. A couple who have lived together for many years will be well aware of each other's qualities and have learnt to accept their limitations. They will have a good level of mutual acceptance and appreciation. But even people that we know well can continue to surprise us. We can discover something about them that we never noticed before. We can suddenly be reminded of the extraordinary mystery of the other person, the otherness of someone whom we know and love. We realize more clearly that the other person is different to me and will always remain a mystery to me, even though I know them as well as I know anyone. If we were to ask someone who really knew us, 'Who do you say that I am?' and then asked them to write a couple of paragraphs about us, we might not recognize ourselves in what they would write.

There is always more to us than someone else's view of us, even someone who knows us very well. Notice how Jesus asks his disciples two questions. The first was easy enough, 'Who do people say that I am?' Their answers made some sense in so far as they went, 'John the Baptist, Elijah, one of the prophets.' Yes, Jesus was a prophetic preacher who proclaimed God's word. Yet, to call him a great prophet does not go far enough. The second was a more probing question,

'Who do you say that I am?' Peter's answer went beyond what other people had imagined, 'You are the Christ, the Messiah,' he said. Peter meant, 'you are our Messiah, the one we have been waiting for, the one whose coming the prophets foretold.'

Yet, in spite of his good answer to question, Peter still had much to learn. The term 'Messiah' meant different things to different people. Probably Peter thought Jesus would somehow help to drive the occupying Romans from the land of Israel. But this was not the kind of Messiah Jesus understood himself to be. At this point in this ministry he understood that far from leading a movement to drive out the Romans, he would end up on a Roman cross, crucified like a common criminal. Faithfulness to his mission would cost him his life. When Jesus began to articulate this reality Peter rebuked Jesus. This was not Peter's idea of a Messiah. Peter could not accept the otherness of Jesus, the mystery of Jesus' identity. Peter was comfortable telling Jesus who he was, but when Jesus began to reveal who he really was and what that entailed, Peter became distinctly uncomfortable.

We probably all find it easier telling people who they are than listening to people tell us who they really are. In particular, we can struggle to hear the story of someone's imperfection, especially if our picture of them has been one that doesn't allow for that. Peter wasn't able to hear Jesus talking about himself as a broken, failed, rejected Messiah. It was really only after the resurrection that Peter and the disciples were able to come to terms with such imperfection, such failure. It can be a struggle for us to accept failure and imperfection in others and also to accept our own imperfection. Jesus could accept his own failure, his own imperfection, because he trusted in God as one who would make him whole. Because he could accept his own failure, his own imperfection, he was at home with the failure and imperfection of others. The broken, the failures of this world, flocked to him, and in his presence they came alive. We will more easily accept our own imperfection and failures if we know in our heart of hearts that we too can approach the Lord as one who can make us whole. The Eucharist has been described as bread broken for a broken people. The Lord who was broken on the cross for us is present in the Eucharist as our Life-Giver. We approach the Lord in the Eucharist in our own imperfection asking to be made whole, and asking also for the grace to be able to sit with others in their imperfection.



We invite you to join us for Early Family Life at St. John Vianney Parish. This is a new program that will connect you with like-minded parents in a welcoming and supportive environment and deepen your relationship with your child. It will also offer you the best in child development and how to teach our Faith to your little one!

We warmly welcome families with children ages 0-7. The sessions facilitate parent-child interaction, parent discussion and children's learning time. The sessions will begin on **Saturday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m.** and continue weekly through November 17, 2018. Each 2-hour session consists of a parent and child interaction time followed by a parent discussion time, during which the children will be led by trained leaders.

We are excited to bring this opportunity to our parish and hope that you will join us! To register or for more information, please contact Steph Maher at smaher@sympatico.ca.



SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

FIRST COMMUNION:

Parents, if your child will be in Gr. 2 in the fall, mark your calendar for the opportunity to welcome your child to Sacraments of Holy Communion. Registration for the program will be at the church on:

Saturday, October 13 at 6 p.m. or Sunday, October 14 at 12:30 p.m. Or at Holy Cross School on Tuesday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate & \$75 registration fee to reserve a family space. For more information, call the parish office.

CONFIRMATION: Registration for the program will be at the church on the following dates:

Saturday, October 20, 6:00 p.m. or Sunday, October 21, 12:30 p.m. or Tuesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. (Please Remember, A Photocopy of Your Child's Baptismal Certificate & \$75 Registration Fee is needed to register!)

BLUE MASS

The St. John Vianney Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Blue Mass on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 pm with Most Reverend Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick presiding. The Blue Mass is intended to honor and commemorate past and present members of the Police, Fire Services, 911 Operators, Paramedics and Armed Forces. Please plan on attending to show your respect and support for these essential services. Light refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass.

There will be no Mass on Tuesday morning at 8:30.

P.O.T.S. SLOW COOKER CLUB IS BACK!

The POTS Slow Cooker Club gives isolated seniors a chance to socialize, make new friends, learn how to cook a variety of meals and get tips on maintaining a healthy lifestyle. POTS Slow Cooker Club Fall Session will be on Fridays, from September 21st to October 26th 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Call the Church office at (705) 726-8007 Ext. 103 to register or email gigamello@gmail.com



Life Chain is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to

the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Participants hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life: the first inalienable right" and "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North American for one hour. Please join us this year at Bayfield & Cundles (Kozlov Centre parking lot) on Sunday, September 30th from 2 to 3 pm.

CWL NEWS:

September 30 - 61st Anniversary Luncheon at the Holiday Inn at 1 p.m. Cost \$25.00 per person Contact Jean Bottone (705) 431-9443.

Donations of used glasses and stamps may be left in the Parish Hall- These donations help support the Leprosy Society.



Please pray for those who are

sick Jennifer Durst, Gerri Corcoran, Mary Dickson, Shirley Richard, Francois Pelletier, Len Smyth, Eileen Aistrop, Denise Burgess, Barbara Nadon, Nadia Allesio, Sherry Wyman, Graeme Sutherland, Valentina Marrone, Ted Huston, Rigo Ongaro, Jean Boileau, Jo-Anne Ransome, & Marjorie Oliveira.

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