

St. John Vianney Church



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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

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WHO IS THE GREATEST?

“Who is the greatest?” This question might seem childish to us, but for those who first followed Jesus it was a very real question. We probably cannot fully grasp how deeply status was ingrained in the cultures from which the gospels come to us. Your standing affected how you lived your life from day to day, how you related to other people and they to you. Working out the appropriate honor and respect due to an individual was a constant task whether in worship, or in discussions, or in eating family meals, or receiving guests, or seating them, or greeting people in public and so on. The disciples were no different to anyone else in asking such a question. The real difference comes with what Jesus has to say on the subject.

In this passage Jesus and his disciples are back in Galilee. In the earlier chapters, Mark describes how Jesus went through Galilee teaching, healing and casting out demons. The crowds followed him everywhere he went. There were so many people coming and going that sometimes they had no leisure even to eat. The crowds were amazed at the authority with which he taught them. The status of Jesus grows from that of someone unknown to that of a great prophet, teacher and healer.

Now he is back in the same region and indeed in the very same town of Capernaum but this time there are no crowds because nobody knows that he is there. Mark says that this is because he is teaching his disciples. Jesus speaks to them about status in his kingdom. He does this in a remarkable way. He says, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." In effect he tells them that in terms of their culture and their thinking they should seek to take the place of lowest status.

And then Jesus uses the example of a child. We can speculate about the meaning of a later saying of Jesus that it is to such as children that the kingdom of God belongs, but in this passage the key point about the child is that in that time and place a child had absolutely no status whatsoever. A child was totally dependent on others and in this sense powerless. If you

wanted to select a person of the least importance then a child was a good choice.

Jesus puts the unimportant child in the center of the room. He gives the child the most important place and then takes the child in his arms. The one of no status is given the position of greatest honor. The last is placed first. It is in receiving such a person notwithstanding his or her total lack of standing or status or importance, that a follower of Christ will receive God the Father. Jesus turns their whole way of looking at themselves and others completely upside down.

If you were to list those in our world to whom effectively we accord no status it would be a very long list. This gospel passage asks of us that we begin to rethink our attitude to many people, and it should lead us to ponder all the more deeply what Jesus is doing when he becomes last of all and servant of all on the cross.

SATURDAY FELLOWSHIP:



Beginning Sat. Oct. 13th, fellowship will be introduced after the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass.

We welcome all to attend with your families for pizza and cold drinks. A donation of \$1.00/slice or cold drink or \$10./whole pizza is welcome to cover cost

BREAKFAST BUREAU: Introducing a new group that will meet after Tuesday morning Mass. We welcome all that are available after this Mass for a light breakfast and teaching as we discuss a five part series of THE PERSON OF CHRIST. This FREE gathering starts October 16, 2018. Please see [bulletin board](#) for details.



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.



MASSES OF THE WEEK

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| Saturday Sept. 22 nd | 5:00 pm † Dragica Pudina Requested by: The Galic Family |
| Sunday Sept. 23 rd | 9:30 am for the special intentions of Marjorie Oliveira Requested by: Family |
| Monday Sept. 24 th | 8:30 am for the special intentions of Sister Vicky Requested by: Bert Kenny |
| Tuesday Sept. 25 th | 8:30 am † Judy Beaton Requested by: John & Barbara Bagnell |
| Wednesday Sept. 26 th | 7:00 pm † Alfredo Parra Requested by: Milka Parra |
| Thursday Sept. 27 th | 8:30 am For the special intentions of All those in need Requested by: St. Vincent de Paul Members |
| Saturday Sept. 29 th | 8:30 am † Bernie Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior |



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 for 7 weeks.

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.

FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be distributing food donation bags at all Masses this weekend and collecting the food donations on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul the following weekend. Bags can be dropped off before and after Mass in the parish hall. Thank you for your support!

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION

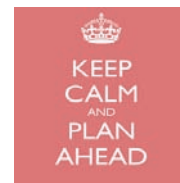
FIRST COMMUNION: Parents, if your child is in Gr. 2, mark your calendar for the opportunity to welcome your child to Sacrament of Holy Communion. Registration for the program will be at the church on: **Sat. Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. or Sun. Oct. 14 at 12:30 p.m. OR at Holy Cross School on Tues. Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m.**

(Bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate & \$75 registration fee to reserve a family space).

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

Sat. Oct. 20, 6:00 p.m. or Sun. Oct. 21, 12:30 p.m. or Tues. Oct. 23 at 7:00 p.m.

(Please Remember, A Photocopy of Your Child's Baptismal Certificate & \$75 Registration Fee is needed to register!)



Please join us for a **Looking Ahead Seminar** at St. John Vianney Parish Hall on Wednesday October 3, after Mass at 7:45 pm. All are welcome to come learn

more about Estate Planning. The seminar is being presented by our very own St. Mary's Cemetery at no charge or obligation. -Please RSVP with Larry Meyer, Manager of St. Mary's Cemetery via telephone 705-726-3931

CWL NEWS: The Northern Regional Fall General Meeting on Sept. 27th, held at St. John Vianney Church. Rosary at 6:30 p.m., Mass 7 p.m. and Meeting to follow.

61st. Anniversary Luncheon Sunday September 30th at 1 p.m. at Synn Restaurant, Holiday Inn on Fairview. Cost \$25.00 per person.



Please pray for those who are sick: Penny Gleason, Monica Freer, Catherine Hall, Jennifer Durst, Gerri Corcoran, Mary Dickson, Shirley Richard, Francois Pelletier,

Len Smyth, Eileen Aistrop, Barbara Nadon, Nadia Allesio, Sherry Wyman, Graeme Sutherland, Valentina Marrone, Ted Huston, Rigo Ongaro, Jean Boileau, Jo-Anne Ransome, & Marjorie Oliveira.

And for those who have died recently: † Virginia Correia

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