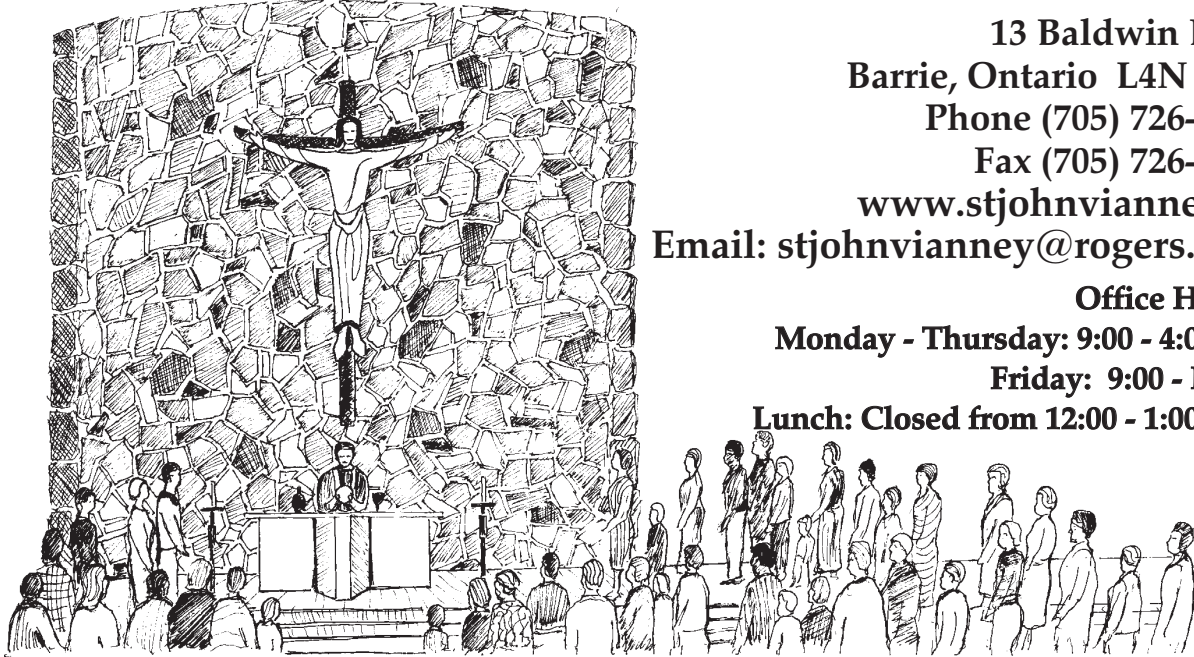


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in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

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., Associate Pastor - 106

Karen Price, Parish Secretary - 101

Bernadette Francavilla, Youth Minister - 104

Marilyn Reesor, Music Director - 121

Mass for the Intentions Week

Sunday September 27 th	8:00 am † Ray McAndrews Requested by: Suzanne Prior
	9:30 am † Elizabeth Foote Requested by: Larry & Mary Jane White
	11:30 am For the Special Intentions of the Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society
Tuesday September 29 th	8:30 am † Bernie Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior
Thursday October 1 st	8:30 am † Stella Nail Requested by: The Nail Family
Friday October 2 nd	8:30 am † Marina Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior
	8:30 am For the Special Intentions of Maria Khuyen Hoang Requested by: Nguyen & Tran Families

"Do They See Jesus In Me?"

The faith is something meant to be shared seems to be one point of today's Scripture readings. In the first reading we see, when young Joshua jealously complained that two individuals had unexpectedly been touched by God's Spirit, Moses expressed a wish that everyone might enjoy such a blessing! In a similar fashion, the apostles were upset that someone who wasn't a member of their group was acting in the name of Jesus. Yet Jesus, for his part, was encouraged that word of his name and its power were beginning to spread and be accepted by others. In other words, we can conclude from this that faith is not intended to be a private possession for an exclusive few. Instead, it's a gift that's meant to be passed on to others, and we should rejoice when they come to embrace it.

Sharing faith is what we call "evangelization," and it's something that all of us are called upon to do. As St. John Paul II has written, "The moment has come to commit all of the Church's energies to a new evangelization... No believer in Christ, no institution of the Church can avoid this supreme duty: To proclaim Christ to all peoples."

The word "evangelization," however, can sometimes make us feel uncomfortable. It makes us think of "tent-revival" preachers who speak of fire and brimstone or the coercive pressure tactics used by certain groups of Christians. What's more, many of us aren't used to talking about our faith; our culture would often have us think that faith is a private, personal matter, best kept to ourselves.

However, in its fullest sense, evangelization is not simply concerned with telling others about Jesus. Instead, it's about introducing people to the person of Jesus- and that's a big difference! And we can do this, just by being whom it is the Lord has called us to be. As Christians, we are followers of Jesus. But even more than that, in a very real way we ARE Jesus, because by baptism we have been made members of his body. God's having become human in Jesus- what we call the "Incarnation"- is not just ancient history but is continued through you and me. Jesus still walks the earth today in us, and those around us can truly meet Jesus if we live in a Christ-like way, living lives of joy, peace, generosity, integrity, forgiveness, hospitality, and simplicity. As St. Catherine of Siena once said, "If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world on fire!"

One of my friends recently shared her experience of how she was able to introduce Jesus to her friend. She was able to witness to her faith within the context of a stressful work environment. When a co-worker asked her in tears how she handled all the pressure and the demands, all of the inequities and the hurts, my friend explained that it was on account of her faith. As it was, my friend was on her way to noontime Mass and she invited her co-worker along. She gave her a rosary and told her just to hold on to it, and not to worry about how to use it. Just one year later, my friend was her co-worker's sponsor when she was baptized at Easter.

She can truly be called an evangelist. She testified to Christ, not just in what she said, but most importantly by how she lived. Her experience validates the famous words of Pope Paul VI: "Modern men and women listen more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if they do listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses." Or as St. Francis once wrote: "Preach the gospel constantly, and if necessary, use words!"



2015 – 2016

Information and Registration Meetings

will take place this coming week on the following dates:

**Tuesday September 29th, at 7:00 pm
at St. John Vianney Church**

OR

**Wednesday September 30th at 7:00 pm at
St. Francis of Assisi School**

Please attend one of these meetings (parent & candidate) and bring with you the completed registration form (which you would have received home from the school) along with a minimum \$75 donation, and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.



**First Communion &
First Reconciliation**

For all parents who would like their children to celebrate the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & First

Reconciliation you must attend one of the following four meetings in order to register your child for these sacraments and to obtain all necessary information & materials. The meeting dates are:

Sunday October 4th, at 12:30 pm, in the church
OR

Tuesday October 6th at 7:00 pm, in the church
OR

Wednesday October 7th at 7:00 pm, at Holy Cross School
OR

Thursday October 8th at 6:30 pm, at St. Francis of Assisi School

Parents must register their child on one of these dates and bring a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate and a minimum donation of \$75 which covers both sacraments and necessary materials.



Many thanks to the **Knights of Columbus** for their generous donation of \$2,200 (to be put towards the Youth Ministry) and \$500.00 (Out of the Cold). We truly appreciate your support and hard work!



PICNIC APPRECIATION

I would like to extend a sincere "THANK YOU" to all of those who helped out with this year's church picnic. It was a great afternoon of fellowship and unity even though some of us got a little wet....it was all in good fun! Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their grilling expertise and for those who helped out in the kitchen, with the games, activities and clean up. Thank you also to those who attended and supported this event by bringing food to share. Your enthusiasm and participation is one of the reasons I'm proud to be part of St. John Vianney!
Fr. Biju Kannampuzha, Pastor



FAMILY HERITAGE FESTIVAL

St. John Vianney Parish is a dynamic and thriving community which is enriched by the vast cultural diversity amongst our many families. United as one body, we are comprised of peoples from countries throughout the world who have converged and come together in our Christian home. We would like to celebrate and learn more about the cultural traditions of our families and are planning to host a **Family Heritage Festival** on the afternoon of **Sunday, October 18th**, beginning with a culturally diverse Mass at 11:30 a.m. followed by celebrations which will conclude at 5:00 p.m. This festival will feature multicultural displays, food samples, music and dance which will appeal to every age group, and we would like to have as many countries represented as possible. Please consider sharing your ancestral heritage with others with a display of art, clothing and food, or set the day aside to attend and discover the unique heritage of your friends and neighbors of St. John Vianney Church. For more information and registration as a participant please, contact the church office.



Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain especially:

Herman Jacobs, Geraldine Ocsai, Catherine Dion, Robert Porteous, Tina Rashid, Michael Foster, Dylan Wilson, Wilson Gasewicz, Baby Nathan Brent, Baby Avery Maset, & Carson Batters.

And for those who have died recently:
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