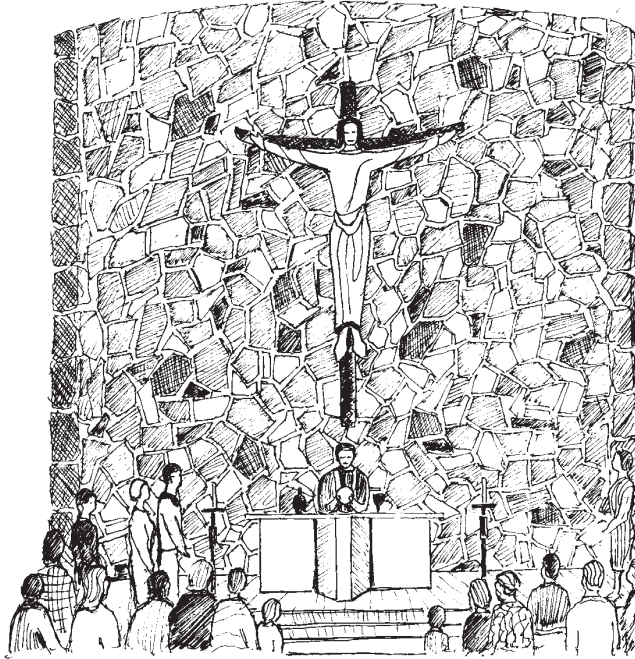


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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 pm

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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. 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 - 103

Marilyn Reesor, Music Director - 121



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Saturday Sept. 29 th	8:30 am † Bernie Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior
	5:00 pm † Jim MacDonald Requested by: Family
Sunday Sept. 30 th	9:30 am for the special intentions of Marjorie Oliveira Requested by: Family
	9:30 am † Ada Guzzo, †Pasquale Stumpo, † Generoso Pizzari Requested by: Asunta Stumpo
	9:30 am for the special intentions of Life Chain & the Pro-Life Movement Requested by: Anonymous
	11:30 am † Antonia Zani Requested by: The Zani Family
Monday Oct. 1 st	8:30 am † Loretta Montag Requested by: The White Family
Tuesday Oct. 2 nd	8:30 am † Jim MacDonald Requested by: Family
Wednesday Oct. 3 rd	7:00 pm For the special intentions of Larry & Mary Jane White Requested by: Mary Kominek
Friday Oct. 5 th	8:30 am For the special intentions of Larry & Mary Jane White Requested by: Family
	8:30 am † Marina Prior Requested by: Suzanne Prior



NOT ONE OF US?

It's a fact of human nature that we often think of others in terms of what positive qualities they lack, rather than in terms of the positive qualities they actually have. Sometimes we make this worse by doing the exact opposite when it comes to ourselves, ignoring our own faults, and then comparing our estimation of others with that of ourselves.

It's what the disciples do in today's gospel. We are presented with the disciples reporting to Jesus the activity of some unknown man who is casting out devils in his name. He could be a follower of Christ who has proceeded to bring the Good News to others. On the other hand, he could be someone who is not really a follower of Christ, but who uses Christ's name in exorcisms. If so, whatever faith he has is unformed but he has taken a small step. And that he successfully exorcises indicates the activity of God in his actions. What is clear is that he is not one of the disciples and they want to exclude him.

Of course, you might say that the disciples are realistic: you need to have some conditions for discipleship, otherwise discipleship would be meaningless. That is true. But Mark is not focusing on this aspect in today's gospel. We see this because in his account the disciples do not say to Jesus: "And because he was not one of *your* followers we tried to stop him". Instead, they say: "Because he was not one of *us*". What they object to is that the unknown exorcist is not one of their group, and not that he is not a full disciple of Christ. In their eyes they have become the standard by which discipleship is measured and the call of Christ is effectively sidelined. They have concentrated on what the man is not, and not the fact that he successfully exorcises in Christ's name.

This is despite the fact that only a little earlier in the same chapter it is the disciples who are unable to exorcise a demon from a young boy. So, we have here the irony that if we apply the disciples' exclusionary approach to themselves then it is they who deserve to be excluded. Unlike the unknown man, it is they who are unable to exorcise in Christ's name.

By setting up their own standards they can blissfully ignore their own faults and feel righteous. However, there is a further catch: by trying to exclude the exorcist they show their misunderstanding of Christ's message, and so they merit their own exclusion all the more.

This is not something peculiar to the disciples. It can happen in our Christian communities or in any group situation and we should be aware of it, remembering that inasmuch as we try to exclude others unfairly from Christ, we exclude ourselves. Thankfully, this is not the last word because, although we are often exclusionary, God is not.

Today's gospel therefore confronts any presumption we may have to superiority, challenging us to find the good qualities in others rather than the negative. This may mean having to give up feelings of self-righteousness and superiority which we all love so very dear. It is a serious business because these feelings and the behavior they lead to undermine faith through forms of exclusion, subtle or otherwise.

October 5th is the first Friday of the month. There will be Eucharistic adoration following the 8:30 am Mass until 10:00 am when Benediction will be given.

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.



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 collecting food donation bags at all Masses this weekend on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul. Bags can be dropped off in the parish hall. Thank you for your support!



The Knights of Columbus are having an *Open House* on Tuesday October 2nd in the parish hall from 7pm and

8pm for any parishioners and their family who are interested in learning about the benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus.

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:

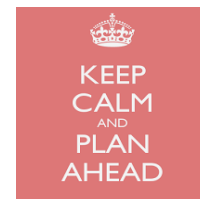
Sat. Oct. 20, 6:00 p.m. or Sun. Oct. 21, 12:30 p.m. or Tues. Oct. 23 at 7:00 p.m.

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



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.



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

Please pray for those who are sick: John Bradbury, Dilt Pearson,

Suzanne Crowe, 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:* † Penny Gleason





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