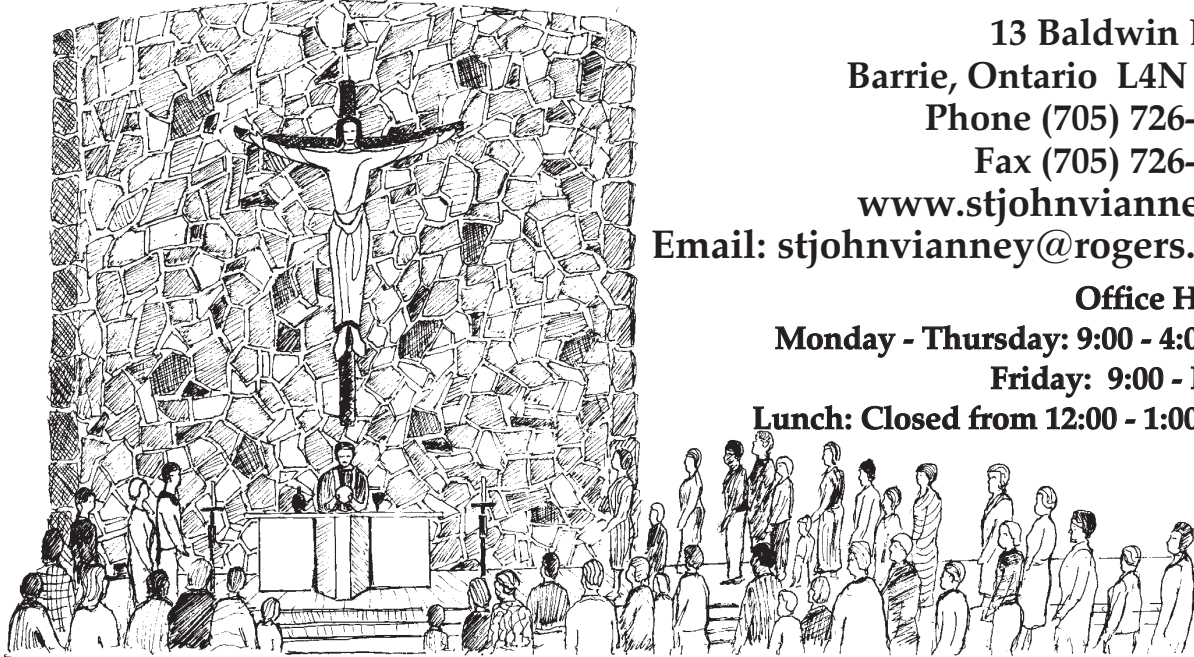


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As followers of Jesus Christ, and as full members of the Roman Catholic Church, we, the Parish Community of St. John Vianney, joyfully proclaim our Saviour risen. Through prayer and sacramental celebration of life in Jesus, we join as co-creators in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

Saturday September 5 th	5:00 pm ✠ Claudette Dubois Requested by: The Dubois Family
Sunday September 6 th	8:00 am ✠ Teresa Howey Requested by: Mike Kelly
	9:30 am ✠ Joan & Antoin DeSwart Requested by: Ronnie & Sheila McCarthy
	11:30 am ✠ Claudio Raposo Requested by: Natalie Raposo & Family
	11:30 am ✠ Thressiamma George Requested by: Biju & Swapna
Tuesday September 8 th	8:30 am ✠ Harold Duggan Requested by: Jim & Phyl Taylor
Thursday September 10 th	8:30 am ✠ Joan Thompson Requested by: Allan & Maryann Weishar

"The Touch of the Master's Hand"

In the poem "The Touch of the Master's Hand," Myra Brooks Welch tells the story of the auctioning of an old dusty violin. The violin was about to be sold for a mere \$3 when a grey-haired man stepped forward, picked it up, dusted it off, tuned it and began to play. The man played such sweet music that, when he finished, the bidding jumped into the thousands of dollars. What transformed the dusty old violin into a precious instrument? The touch of the Master's hand. The same "touch of the Master's hand" continues to transform our lives today. By God's touch we become His instruments to accomplish the marvelous works described in today's Psalm 146: *to secure justice for the oppressed, give food to the hungry and set the captives free.*

The central theme of today's readings is an invitation to us to become humble instruments of healing in Jesus' hands by giving voice to the voiceless and caring love to the needy and the marginalized in our society. The readings also invite us to open our ears to hear the word of God and to let our tongues be loosened by the Holy Spirit to convey the Good News of God's love and salvation to others.

The first reading (Is 35:4-7), reminds us that God's eyes are constantly focused on the helpless. God especially cares for "the frightened, the blind, the deaf, the lame, the mute," and He encourages the powerless to "be strong and fearless." This is why, in today's second reading (James 2:1-5), the apostle gives us some basic and challenging principles of social justice. He exhorts Christians to show no partiality based on external appearance and to practice God's "preferential option" for the poor. He warns the faithful against scorning or shaming the poor while showing special consideration to the rich. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 146), sings of a God who gives sight to the blind, raises up those who are bowed down and welcomes strangers.

Today's Gospel describes how Jesus, by healing a deaf and mute man, fulfilled Isaiah's Messianic prophecy, "The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." The ailments listed by Isaiah are symbolic of our interior illnesses: blindness to the needs of our neighbor, unwillingness to hear God's voice and the inability to speak words of praise and gratitude. Through this miracle story, Mark also reminds us that no one can be a follower of the Lord without reaching out to the helpless.

We need to help Jesus to heal the deaf and the mute today. Jesus desires to give us his healing touch in order to loosen our tongues so that he may speak to the spiritually hungry through us. He invites us to give him our hearts so that he may touch the lives of people in our day through us, just as he touched the lives of millions through saintly souls like Francis of Assisi, Damien of Molokai, Vincent de Paul and Blessed Mother Teresa. Jesus' compassionate touch will help us to hear the cries of the poor and the sick. It will teach us to show kindness, mercy and consideration to others. His healing touch will also help us convey peace and hope to those around us.

We need to allow Jesus to heal our spiritual deafness and muteness. We may find it hard to speak to God in prayer and harder still to hear Him speaking to us through the Bible and through the Church. Hence, let us imitate the dumb man in the gospel by seeking out Jesus, following him away from the crowd, and spending more of our time in coming to know him intimately as we study Holy Scripture and experience him directly in our lives in personal prayer.

PARISH PICNIC TICKETS ON SALE NOW!



Our annual parish picnic will take place on Sunday September 20th from 12:30 – 5 pm on the church grounds and adjacent park. Lunch will include barbequed hamburgers, hotdogs, and a beverage and will be served from 12:45 – 2:00 pm. Tickets are on sale after all Masses in the parish hall for \$5.00 each. Please bring your favorite salad or dessert to share with others.

Don't miss out; there will be our first ever DUNK TANK with the opportunity to dunk your Pastor. There will be children's games, face painting, music, and a family baseball game plus loads of fun and fellowship and hopefully plenty of sunshine! *All proceeds will be donated to the David Busby Outreach Centre.*

The St. John Vianney St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of our Parishioners. Through your ongoing support we have helped over 400 hundred families put food on their tables. We were also able to send almost 100 kids to camp. It won't be long before we start preparations for our Annual Children's Christmas Party! Once again, a big thank you to all. Your generosity continues to make an enormous difference in the lives of the underprivileged in our community. GOD BLESS!

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CALLING ALL CROCHETERS AND KNITTERS The CWL needs your special talents to supply the **Christmas Bazaar** which will be held on **Sat. Nov.**

21st. We are looking for infinity cowls, hats, mitts, scarves, slippers, clothes, long and short fingerless gloves and boot cuff sets, head bands for all ages and some baby items. Call Susan Mays at 705-456-7836 for drop off of wool and pick up of finished items on Thursdays in Sept/ October. All items needed by Nov. 12. Also please save a few jars of your delicious pickles, jams, preserves and sauces for our Country Kitchen. We will need baked goods as well. Thanks for thinking of us.

There have been a couple of men's rings found in the church recently. Please call the parish office to claim. (705)726-8007



**31st Annual Rosary Sunday
at Martyrs' Shrine in Midland
Sept.13**

Outdoor Mass @ Polish Altar at 12 p.m. Procession of the Blessed Sacrament with Living Rosary & Benediction at the Papal Altar. Outdoor confessions before Mass.

Celebrant & Homilist: Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick



**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 multi-cultural 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.

Galatians: Set Free to Live is the eight-part Bible study by Jeff Cavins and Gayle Somers. It speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation that Jesus has won for us, explaining how we can unite ourselves to Christ's redeeming sacrifice. Reignite your love for God as you learn about the deep love God has for you.



Come join the bible study group for **Set Free to Live** Bible study at St. John Vianney Church in the Luke Room beginning Sept. 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM and continuing every Monday. For more information, call Barbara Charuba at (705) 739-9020 or via email: barbaracharuba49@gmail.com



Please pray for the sick: **Geraldine Ocsai, Patrick Peters, 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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