



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

September 17th, 2023
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Jesus Christ

Assistant Pastor:

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am
 573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Mass Schedule: Sundays 10:30 am

Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00pm

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 8:00 in the Chapel

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Holy Hour: Every Friday after 8:00 am mass

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Lectors for This Sunday and Next Sunday

Sunday September 17th Lesley Boettger and Tom Jurista

Sunday September 24th Katherine Watson

Faith Formation for Children

Faith formation classes have **begun**. **Classes are every Wednesday at 6:30pm**, the cost for this year is \$25.00 to cover cost of books and materials.

You can still enroll your child(ren). If you need more information, please call the office or contact Lesley Boettger phone number 250-579-8720 .

News for St John Vianney and Our lady of Lourdes

Fr. Derrick from the Cathedral will be the administrator of both St John Vianney and Our lady of Lourdes.

Fr. Paschal, who is new to the Diocese of Kamloops, will be celebrating mass on Sundays at Our lady of Lourdes and St John Vianney.

Weekday masses will continue at 8:00 am in the Chapel from Tuesday to Friday.

Msgr. Desmond will celebrate Tuesday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays,

Fr Paschal will celebrate Fridays

On Fridays there will be Holy Hour right after the 8:00 am mass.

JAMS AND JELLIES, OH MY

It is that time of the year again, we will have jams and jellies from the Carmelite Nuns for sale after mass. These make a great gift for you or your loved ones. Prices are \$6 for jams and \$7 for jelly. All funds go back to the Carmelites.

Available flavors: apricot, cherry plum, strawberry, strawberry peach, peach, blueberry, black currant (jelly) and blackberry. Yum-o!

Weekly collection from Sep 03 to Sep 10

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Envelopes	\$ 2,413.00	\$ 215.00
Loose	247.00	21.25
PAD	2,968.00	350.00

PAD(Preauthorized debit program), anybody can sign for it, contact the office for details.

You can also donate through **e-transfer to givingstjohnvianney@rcdk.org**

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	1 Timothy 2.1-7++ Ps 28.2, 7, 8-9 (R.6)	Luke 7.1-10
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3.1-13 Ps 101.1-2ab,2cd-3ab,5,6 (R.2b)	Luke 7.11-17
Wednesday	1 Timothy 3.14-16 Ps 111.1-2,3-4,5-6 (R.2a)	Luke 7.31-35
Thursday	Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13 Ps 19.1-2, 3-4ab (R. 4a)	Matthew 9.9-13
Friday	1 Timothy 6.2c-12 Ps 49.5-6,7-9, 16-17, 18-19 (R. See Mt 5.3)	Luke 8.1-3
Saturday	1 Timothy 6.13-16 Ps 100.1-2,3,4,5 (R. 2c)	Luke 8.4-15

Casey and Marylyn Celebration!

Marilyn and Casey VanDongen wish to invite all parishioners to their **50th Wedding Anniversary** celebration **Sept 24th after Mass in parish hall**. Hopefully everyone can join them to celebrate this wonderful and significant milestone

Faith In Action Campaign 33 "Be a Doer of Faith"

This weekend we saw a video explaining the Diocesan Objectives for this years Faith in Action Campaign. It is important for all of us to be open to the needs of the local Church of the Diocese and our parish community.

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle A

Today's Gospel reading directly follows last week's Gospel in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness.

The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison.

A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy, he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another.

There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives.

Loyola press, Sunday Connection 2023

Ireland Pilgrimage

*Join Fr. Patrick Tepoorten and Fr. Paul Simms on a 9-day pilgrimage to Ireland from **August 19th to August 27th**. Pilgrimage organized by St Charles Catholic Pilgrimages you can get more information and register at stcharlespilgrimages.com/tepoorten-simms.*

CWL NEWS

The Ladies of the Catholic Women Leage of St John Vianney are planning to hold their annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 18th. Some donations of baked goods and some canning will be needed. Please, keep some of your canning of summer produces to donate to the Bazaar

SSVP news- Used Car Wanted

A local international student from Sri Lanka is looking for a reliable automatic car to purchase that is good on gas to help with employment, and transportation needs. If you have such a vehicle for sale for \$5500. or less, please contact Sharmen at 250 879 2408

Catholic Youth Retreat

*If you want to grow closer to God while having a blast with your friends, join us for music, games, and talks for **youth grades 8 to 10** at **St James school in Vernon, BC, October 14-15**. Register now at www.f2f.ca/bcyouthretreat*

Choose Life 40 Day Prayer Vigil continues....September 26 – November 5, 2023

What can you plan to do to help protect life from conception until natural death?

*Pray an extra prayer for life? Rosary? Decade? While walking or jogging your neighbourhood? At Sacred Heart Cathedral while others ...

*Stand for life at Third Ave and Nicola St. Following daily morning Mass. 10:00 – 11:00 am

*Offer to help organize fundraiser? Hopewell Clinic and Pregnancy Care Baby Shower? Mustard Seed Fill the Fiat with Food?

*Attend presentations on End of Life? MPs will be presenting on legislation around End of Life in Canada.

Horizons of Hope and Advance Care Planning: 4-part series.