



# ST. JOHN VIANNEY

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

**August 4th, 2024**  
**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time**

Pastor: Fr. Dale Normandeau

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am  
 573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Secretary: Luz Velarde

**Mass Schedule: Sundays 10:30 am**

**Weekday Masses:** This week :Tuesday to Thursday 8:00am

**Mass at the Hamlets** the second Friday of the month 10:00am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays 4:00pm to 5:00 pm

**Office hours: Thursday and Friday 9:00 am to 2:00pm**

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#### LECTORS FOR THE COMING SUNDAYS

Aug 4<sup>th</sup> Brian Selzler and Maureen Carr

Aug 11<sup>th</sup> Lesley Boettger and Sherry Makarra

#### OFFICE HOURS August 5<sup>th</sup> to August 9<sup>th</sup>

**Office will be CLOSED Mon, Tue and Wed.**

Office will be open only Thu Aug8<sup>th</sup> and Fri August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Sorry for the Inconvenience

#### TIPS WHEN READING THE BIBLE

**Pick a time, but not just any time.**

Commit to a daily time that you'll open God's Word but be sure it's an intelligent time. If you're really tired, for example, then reading the Bible once you're in bed probably isn't the best time. Pick a time when you're totally awake so you can give your full attention.

Weekly readings from the daily Mass are posted in the Bulletin every Sunday. There are a good place to start reading the Bible and a good way to prepare for the Sunday Mass.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We would like to start offering children liturgy on Sundays, we need a couple of volunteers in order to be able to offer it. If you are interested in this rewarding ministry, please contact the office.

#### PRAYER LINE

If you have a special prayer request, please contact Sally Nastrom via email [sanajn@shaw.ca](mailto:sanajn@shaw.ca)  
**Email your prayer intention in your own words** to be added to the prayer line. At the moment we have around 25 persons praying for the intentions requested.

**You are also welcome to join this ministry**, you only need to send in your name and email address to Sally to the email listed above and ask to be added to the group.

#### SJV PARKING LOT RESTORATION

The work to restore the parking lot has been finished. Thanks to everyone who supported this project during our last Faith in Action. For next year's Faith in Action project, we will continue to fundraise for this project, plus we will upgrade the lighting in the parking lot; more details to come later

#### MASS AT THE HAMLETS

There will be **Mass at the Hamlets Friday August 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.** Mass in the chapel at 8:00 will be cancelled that day.

## 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, CYCLE B

First Reading *Exodus 16.2-4,12-15,31a++* Responsorial Psalm, *Ps. 78.3+4bc,23-24,25+54 (R24b)*

Second Reading, *Ephesians 4.17,20-24* Gospel Reading *John 6.24-35*

This Sunday we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, but not continuously. Our Lectionary omits John's report of Jesus' walking on water. This event is reported much less dramatically in John's Gospel than in the Synoptic Gospels. After the feeding of the multitudes, the disciples leave in a boat and Jesus follows them. The disciples are said to be terrified by what they see. Jesus reassures them and rejoins them. In today's Gospel, we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that that he gives in the Eucharist.

In today's Gospel, there are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. In the first, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter of fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this, yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life.

As the second dialogue begins, it seems that the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission. They ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask Jesus for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What more is expected?

But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. In their description, they identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and also spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment.

The conclusion of the dialogue reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John's Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself. In the weeks ahead, we will see the offense that this gives to the people.

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### ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

#### Store Manager JOB POSTING

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking an individual who has the skills to manage or learn to manage their thrift store.

**The thrift store is open 3 days a week and 5 hours a day.** The pay per hour is minimum wage + \$1.00. The manager is responsible to the society and works along "with the volunteers" while managing.

**For more information and/or to apply**, please address your application letter and questions attention

"The Board of SVP" [ssvpkamloops@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpkamloops@gmail.com).

Successful candidates will be asked to provide a Criminal Record check as well as details of experience in related employment. Please note: this is the only paid position in the Thrift store, among many volunteers that donate their time and talent and are very much appreciated.

### LIGHT OF GOD PRAYER GROUP

The Light of God Prayer Group **meets every Monday evening from 7:00pm to 8:00pm**(Except Statutory Holidays)

**at Sacred Heart Cathedral** 255 Nicola Street.

Downstairs in Parish Hall-Enter from outside entrance by the glass door (in courtyard to right of Church).

*Praise and Worship, Scripture, Intercessory Prayer and fellowship*

*EVERYONE IS WELCOME including musical accompaniment!*

Come join us as we grow in our faith.

**FMI contact Trevor Bentz 250-299-4316**

## **DEFEND JESUS: THE OLYMPIC CONTROVERSY**

Please voice your objections to the Olympic Opening Ceremony in Paris and their blatant mocking of our Lord Jesus and their gaslighting attempts at minimizing it.

Send an email: [pressoffice@olympic.org](mailto:pressoffice@olympic.org)

Phone (international) 011 41 21 621 61 11

Visit their website: [www.olympic.com/ioc/contact-us](http://www.olympic.com/ioc/contact-us)

Write to them at:

Maison Olympique

Rte de Vdy 9

1007 Lausanne

Switzerland

In his homily during Mass on July 28, 2024 at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, talks about the controversy surrounding the Olympic Opening Ceremony, what happened and what you can do!

Here is the link to the video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scgE60WfypU>

### ***Our Lady of the Mountains Parish in Whistler***

**Camino (Pilgrimage) Aug 30-Sept 01.** For full details

Please visit website

<https://www.whistlercatholicchurch.ca>

### ***Hiking Saturday 9:00 Mass dates :***

**August 10, 2024 Rainbow Falls(5km)**

**August 24, 2024 Loggers lake (2km)**

### **New to the Parish?**

If you are new to the Parish, and would like to get notifications, and/or receive the Sunday Bulletin via email, please contact the office to provide us with your information.

Email: [stjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:stjohnvianney@rcdk.org)

### ***FAMILY LOOKING FOR A CAR TO BUY***

*The Vaca family is looking for a used vehicle in good condition and reasonable price to buy. Please contact*

*Polo via email [leopoldovaca7@gmail.com](mailto:leopoldovaca7@gmail.com)*

*or phone him at 250-894-9139*

### **PROLIFE KAMLOOPS NEWS**

Here is your friendly once a month (sometimes twice) reminder of our up-coming First Saturday vigil :

Saturday August 3, First Baptist Church,  
454 Columbia St. 10 - 11 a.m.

### **Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August**

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

### ***Feast of St John Vianney Today August 4th***

### **Saint John Vianney's Story**

"A man with vision overcomes obstacles and performs deeds that seem impossible. John Vianney was a man with vision: He wanted to become a priest. But he had to overcome his meager formal schooling, which inadequately prepared him for seminary studies.

His failure to comprehend Latin lectures forced him to discontinue. But his vision of being a priest urged him to seek private tutoring. After a lengthy battle with the books, John was ordained.

Situations calling for "impossible" deeds followed him everywhere. As pastor of the parish at Ars, John encountered people who were indifferent and quite comfortable with their style of living. His vision led him through severe fasts and short nights of sleep.

His work as a confessor is John Vianney's most remarkable accomplishment. In the winter months he was to spend 11 to 12 hours daily reconciling people with God. In the summer months this time was increased to 16 hours. Unless a man was dedicated to his vision of a priestly vocation, he could not have endured this giving of self day after day.

Many people look forward to retirement and taking it easy, doing the things they always wanted to do but never had the time. But John Vianney had no thoughts of retirement. As his fame spread, more hours were consumed in serving God's people. Even the few hours he would allow himself for sleep were disturbed frequently by the devil.

Who, but a man with vision, could keep going with ever-increasing strength? In 1929, Pope Pius XI named him the patron of parish priests worldwide. "

From Franciscan media.org

### **Looking for a Catholic/Christian Roommate:**

Female in her mid 30s is looking for a female roommate, preferably Catholic/Christian to share her quiet, 2-bedroom\_Aberdeen condo. Condo shared spaces are fully furnished and include in suite laundry, use of kitchen appliances, dishware, cookware, TV, patio, board game collection, and more. Includes A/C, high speed internet, and utilities (gas/hydro). 1 dog is allowed (preference will be given to applicants with a dog, as dog-friendly housing is difficult to find in Kamloops). Move in date of mid July or August 1<sup>st</sup> available. If you are interested and would like more information, including pictures and rental costs, please contact Kyley Drach by email at [kyleydrach@hotmail.com](mailto:kyleydrach@hotmail.com). Interview and references are required.

### **CWL INITIATIVE to help "Away Home Kamloops"**

Ongoing Until Dec. 15 2024 , our CWL will collect toiletries to help them out. Unused hotel-sized soaps, shampoos, etc. are welcome along with the larger drug-store sizes.

You will find a basket labeled "A Way Home" in the church foyer on June 9th. We hope to fill and refill the basket several times.